Undergraduate Enrollments in Political Science

Changes in Undergraduate Enrollments in Political Science Over Time (2014-15 to 2015-16, 2016-17 to 2017-18)

Factors in Enrollment Increases (2016-17 to 2017-18)

72.5% of departments reported that increased enrollments were due to departmental and/or institutional related factors.

40.9% of departments reported that increased enrollments were due to greater political interest, the 2016 election, and/or President Trump.

Data presented here are from the 2017-2018 APSA Departmental Survey. The survey was administered to 1,263 departments at four-year colleges and universities in Political Science and Government in the United States. 383 departments responded to the survey for an overall response rate of 30.3%.