Notes for Table 1
Regarding Race and Ethnicity

African American includes the following expanded categories: African American, African, Caribbean, and other African American/Black.

Asian American includes applicants who declare themselves as Asian Indian, Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Chinese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, Thai, Vietnamese, and other Asian.

Latino includes the following expanded categories: Cuban/Cuban American, Latin American/Latino, Puerto Rican, Other Hispanic, Latin American or of Spanish origin.

Pacific Islander includes applicants who declare themselves as Fijian, Guamanian/Chamorro, Hawaiian, Samoan, Tongan, and other Pacific Islander.

White includes the following expanded categories: European/European descent, Middle Eastern/Middle Eastern descent, North African, Other White/Caucasian. As of 2010 the race/ethnicity survey does not include Other as a category.

For the purposes of these reports, the hierarchy for determining ethnic classification for an applicant when more than one ethnicity is selected is African American, Chicano, Latino, American Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, White, Other, Missing/Unknown. Data on race/ethnicity for federal reporting purposes are collected separately from the data used in this report.

International transfers who attend a California Community College are considered bona fide residents for admission purposes. The international category represents students who with a non-immigrant visa.

Effective with the 2011-12 admissions cycle, the University is using a redesigned admissions application that facilitates the collection of more complete and accurate applicant information. We have noted applicants are providing more complete information than they did in previous years. More applicants are reporting their ethnicity (see the decline in “missing”). As a result of this change, any slight fluctuation up or down in certain categories may be artificial and do not constitute a meaningful shift in the characteristics of the applicant pool.