



Urban College of Boston

INSPIRING LEARNING . . . TRANSFORMING LIVES.

A Two-Year College

Urban Expansion: UCB Stronger Than Ever

As President Michael Taylor visited classes during the Fall 2012 semester, one student remarked, “Urban College has to be here. There are people coming behind me and I want them to have the same opportunities that I have.” Going into 2013, Urban College is stronger than ever.

Since the Fall, UCB has continued to gain momentum, leading to a Spring 2013 semester with the second highest registration numbers in the history of the college. In addition, new student

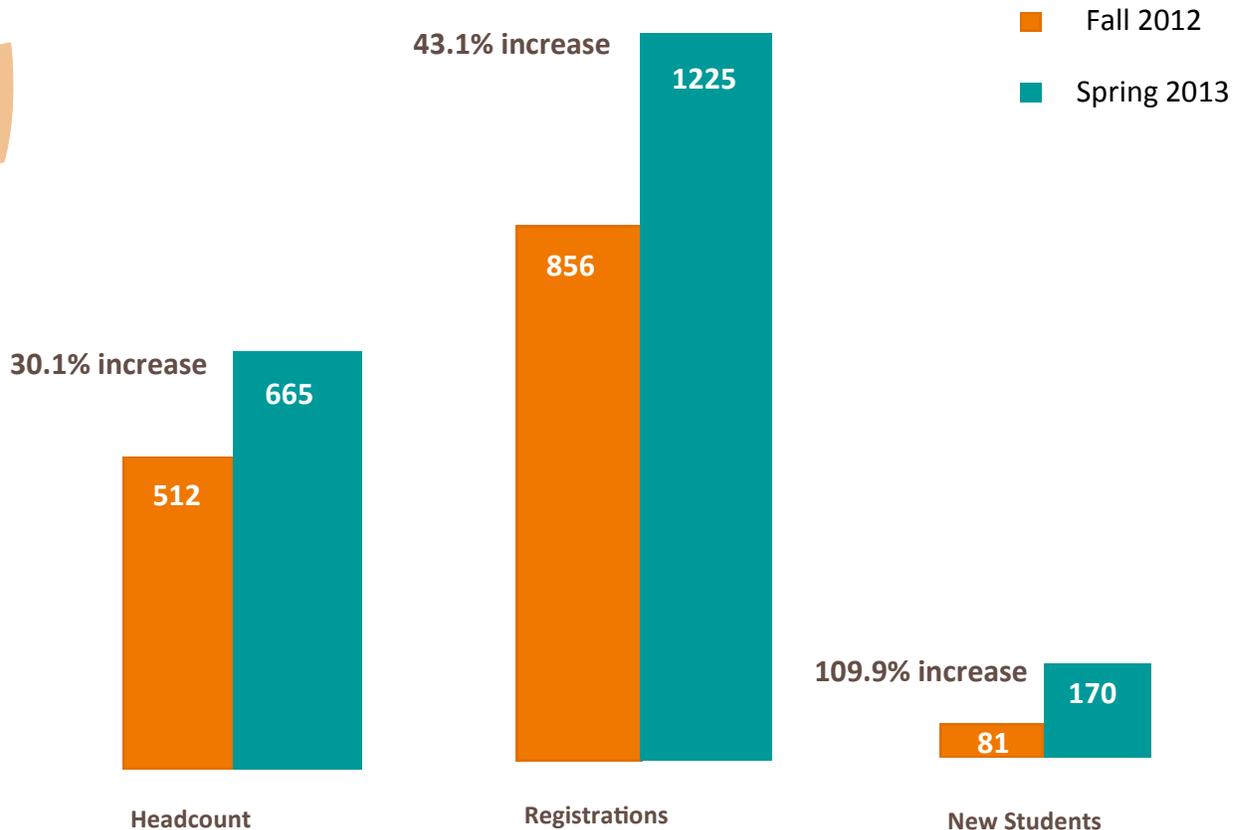
enrollment for the Spring 2013 semester is the second highest in over a decade. UCB’s graduation rate is significantly higher than most two-year colleges.

UCB continues to grow, supported by a staff and student body both committed to an institution that provides Boston’s hardest working populations with the academic and professional opportunities they deserve.



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UCB Enrollment Growth





Urban Connections

this spring that will help 12 students begin their teacher qualifications and 12 more complete credits toward an Associate of Arts Degree in Early Childhood Education.

UCB is offering two contract courses through Child Care Circuit in Lawrence that will allow 26 students to begin their teacher certifications and another 25 to earn credits toward a lead teacher certification.

UCB is also partnering with Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center (BCNC) to provide a course that will help 19 family childcare providers begin earning their Certificate or Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education.

All of these classes are taught in students' native languages—Spanish and Mandarin respectively. In fact, one third of all UCB classes are taught in students' native languages. Students also take courses in English at the same time to ensure a seamless transition into certificate and degree programs.

Teaching in students' native languages and offering these courses at neighborhood sites are two important ways UCB makes education accessible to our students. Interim Academic Dean, Nancy Daniel, explains, "These partnerships allow us to be out in the community helping childcare providers advance in their fields without requiring them to travel too far from home."

This Spring, UCB is partnering with key Boston agencies to provide students with academic and professional opportunities in convenient locations. These partnerships will support almost 100 students.

In conjunction with Project Hope, one of Boston's critical anti-poverty agencies, UCB is offering four courses

GRADUATING IN STYLE: Urban at the Majestic



Through partnership with Emerson College, Urban College graduates will enjoy their commencement this June at the historic Cutler Majestic Theater located just down the street from UCB.

This commencement will be a celebration of UCB's 20th anniversary as a private, independent, degree-granting institution.

On June 2nd, 2013 at 2pm, over 800 people—UCB graduates with their friends and families—will gather at the theater to celebrate the many achievements made by this graduating class.

Surge in Grants, Contributions and Pledges

On December 13, 2012, Urban College of Boston received a \$200,000 grant from the Lloyd G. Balfour Foundation, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee. The grant was awarded to support the general operations of the college and constitutes one of the largest unrestricted grants in the College's history.

These funds, along with grants and donations from Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), The Boston Foundation, The

Barr Foundation, Bank of America, Malkin Family Fund, Massachusetts Convention Center Authority, John Drew Companies, Beal Companies, Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation and others, will support UCB's commitment to developing programs and services that enrich Boston communities in unprecedented ways.

Other significant contributors include: Peter Ebb, Ropes and

Gray, Connee Counts, Strega Waterfront, Bruce Richard, and Stuart Peterfreund. The support of these generous donors will allow Urban College to expand its programming and reach further into Boston neighborhoods and communities surrounding the city. UCB is grateful to all those named here and the countless others (too numerous to list here) who have offered concrete sponsorship to our perseverant and well-deserving community.

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