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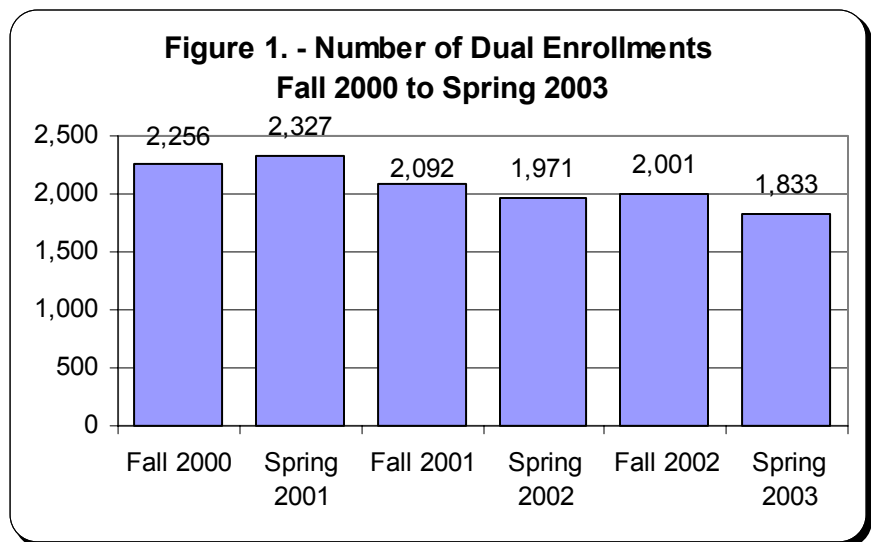
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## DUAL CREDIT ENROLLMENTS FALL 2000 – SPRING 2003

The National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) was used in order to determine the dual enrollment behaviors of Mt. SAC students. Dual enrollment occurs when a student takes classes at more than one college/university in the same term. Mt. SAC students who were enrolled between Fall 2000 and Spring 2003 were compared to the NSC database, which contains data for 91% of postsecondary enrollments across the nation, including the majority of enrollments in California<sup>1</sup>. Because enrollments were compared for each semester separately, it is probable that some students are represented multiple times in the data.

### Overview

Overall, there were a total of 12,480 dual enrollments (probably including duplicate students) from Fall 2000 to Spring 2003. Figure 1 displays the number of dual enrollments for each semester. Based on the numbers, it appears that the number of dual enrollments has gone down since Fall 2000. This trend is more prominent for the Spring semesters, going from 2,327 in Spring 2001 to 1,833 in Spring 2003.



<sup>1</sup> A full listing of participating institutions in California can be obtained at [http://www.nslc.org/secure\\_area/CoreServiceParticipatingSchools.htm](http://www.nslc.org/secure_area/CoreServiceParticipatingSchools.htm)

### Breakouts by Institution

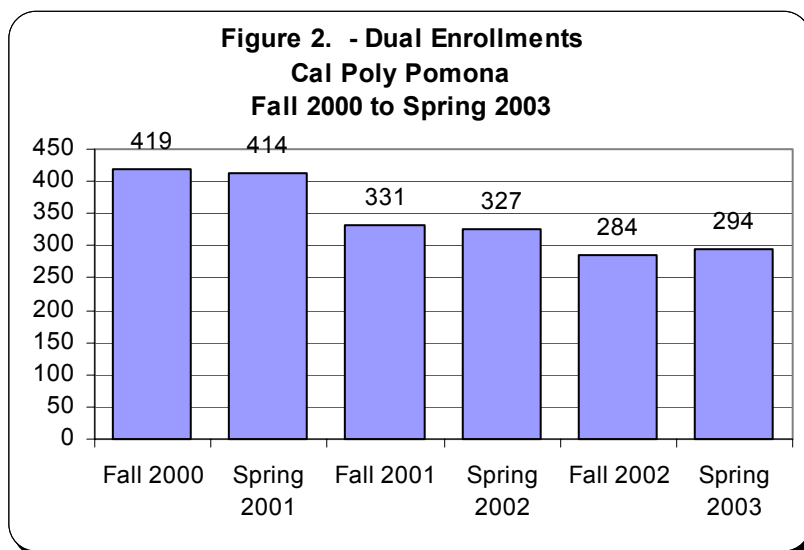
Breakouts by institution revealed that Cal Poly Pomona is the institution most likely to have dual enrollments with Mt. SAC (table 1). This is most likely due to the Dual Admissions Program offered by Mt. SAC and Cal Poly Pomona and the proximity of the university to Mt. SAC.

**Table 1. - Dual Enrollments by Most Frequent Institutions**

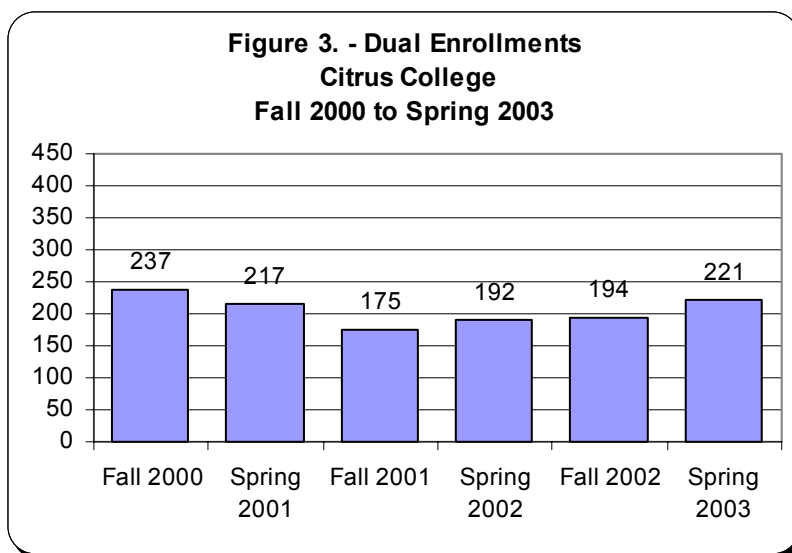
| <u>Fall 2000</u>          | <u># of Dual Enrollment</u> | <u>Spring 2001</u>        | <u># of Dual Enrollment</u> | <u>Fall 2001</u>    | <u># of Dual Enrollment</u> |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cal Poly Pomona           | 419                         | Cal Poly Pomona           | 414                         | Cal Poly Pomona     | 331                         |
| Citrus College            | 237                         | Citrus College            | 217                         | Santa Ana College   | 194                         |
| Cal State Fullerton       | 180                         | Chaffey College           | 162                         | Citrus College      | 176                         |
| Chaffey College           | 151                         | Cal State Fullerton       | 157                         | Rio Hondo College   | 175                         |
| Fullerton College         | 144                         | Fullerton College         | 151                         | Cal State Fullerton | 114                         |
| East L.A. College         | 116                         | Santa Ana College         | 149                         | East L.A. College   | 113                         |
| Santa Ana College         | 116                         | Rio Hondo College         | 135                         | Chaffey College     | 110                         |
| DeVry University – Pomona | 102                         | DeVry University – Pomona | 102                         |                     |                             |
|                           |                             |                           |                             |                     |                             |
| <u>Spring 2002</u>        |                             | <u>Fall 2002</u>          |                             | <u>Spring 2003</u>  |                             |
| Cal Poly Pomona           | 327                         | Cal Poly Pomona           | 284                         | Cal Poly Pomona     | 294                         |
| Citrus College            | 192                         | Citrus College            | 194                         | Citrus College      | 221                         |
| Rio Hondo College         | 161                         | Fullerton College         | 173                         | Rio Hondo College   | 162                         |
| Santa Ana College         | 131                         | Rio Hondo College         | 171                         | Chaffey College     | 131                         |
| Chaffey College           | 122                         | Chaffey College           | 135                         | Fullerton College   | 117                         |
| Cal State Fullerton       | 121                         | Cal State Fullerton       | 121                         | Cal State Fullerton | 103                         |
|                           |                             | East Los Angeles College  | 120                         |                     |                             |

Note: Only Institutions with 100 or more dual enrollments are listed.

However, as with the overall trend, the number of dual enrollments with Cal Poly has decreased since Fall 2000 (figure 2).



Citrus College, which was previously reported to be the institution that Mt. SAC students most often transfer to (see <http://research.mtsac.edu/pdf/Factbook/NSC%20Transfer.pdf>) is the institution with the second highest number of dual enrollments at Mt. SAC. Although Citrus also had declines after Fall 2000, it appears that the number of dual enrollments is rebounding (Figure 3).



### Summary

To summarize, there are around 2,000 credit students attending Mt. SAC who also attend other institutions. However, there are fewer of these students than there have been in the past. This decline may be because current budget deficits and increased costs of registration fees have made that option less appealing to students.

Cal Poly Pomona and Citrus College are the top two institutions with dual enrollments at Mt. SAC. The Dual Admissions Program with Cal Poly and relatively short distances from Mt. SAC most likely contribute to students attending these colleges. It is interesting to note that most of the other top institutions that have dual enrollments with Mt. SAC are community colleges. Students attending community colleges may be more inclined to “shop around” for classes and programs that best fit their needs at that moment in time.