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Agenda
University Planning Committee
October 23, 2026
10:00 AM
Provost's Conference Room, Cope 112
And Zoom

Attended: Mark Byrnes, Charles Chusuei, Nancy Stone, Sam Zaza, Lando Carter, Ron Kates, Tricia Farwell, Jackie Dowdy, Dianna Rust, Patrick McCarthy, Jeff Gibson, Zach Lebarts, Chad Mullis, Teena Young, Justin Reed, Kennedy Garrett, Randy Cornwell, James Floyd, Drew Harpool, James Bridgeforth, Becky Cole, Amy Aldridge, Brian Hinote, Neporcha Cone, Beverly Keel, Chris Brewer, Rehab Ghazal, Layne Bryant, Jeri Ann Clark, Jennifer Brown, Bill Waits, Allison McGoffin

1. Welcome and Introductions – Mark Byrnes

2. Approval of minutes of the April 17, 2026 meeting were reviewed and approved.

3. MTSU Planning Committee Guide – Jeff Gibson discussed the committee's charge and pointed members to the online guide for more details.

4. Campus Master Plan – Bill Waits presented an overview of the 2026 Campus Master Plan, which was approved by the Board of Trustees on September 28, 2026. The new MTSU President will seek approval from the State Building Commission in spring 2027. The presentation was shared with committee members after the meeting, with a request not to share it broadly, as it is not yet fully approved.

5. SACSCOC Update – Layne Bryant and Jeff Gibson
   SACSCOC is now known as The Commission on Colleges and Universities [https://commissioncu.org/]. We will receive our official reaffirmation of accreditation at The Commission's annual meeting in December.
   With a new president, The Commission is reviewing the Principles of Accreditation: The Standards for Accreditation and Reaffirmation. The second draft is now available. We will need to revise our policies to align with the new standards. We will form work groups in the spring to accomplish this.
   Instead of a five-year interim report and a ten-year full review, the review cycle is expected to occur every seven to eight years without an interim review. We are also expecting to see a reduced assessment and reporting burden, which is trickling down from federal requirements, and an increased emphasis on institutional outcomes, such as graduation rates and numbers.
   The Commission is also creating a Vision Insights Dashboard that pulls data that institutions already report. Institutions are invited to provide a narrative to contextualize the data. Beyond graduation and retention data, this will be another place for parents, students, and the public to encounter data for us and our competitors.

6. IEPR Update – Chris Brewer
   - Fall 2026 Census file update – Power BI Enrollment Over Time Summary *attached*
   - Quality Assurance Funding 2026-2031 – new allocations *attached*
     THEC changed program reviews to every five years and expanded the rubric.
     We'll conduct NSSE in Spring 2027, 2029, and 2031 for first-year students and graduating seniors, and alternate the alumni survey in the other years. We need to have a high response rate for the NSSE and are working on marketing and incentives to achieve this.

7. Mission Review and Institutional Mission Profile – Jeff Gibson described the process and recommended no changes for this academic year.

8. Strategic Plan 2035 Update – Jeff Gibson showed the priorities, subcommittees, and activity plans and progress reports on the website.
   At the January meeting, the committee will review midyear reports.
   At the April meeting, the committee will approve end of year reports and next year's activity plans.

9. Next Meetings – January 22, 2027 and April 23, 2027.

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Enrollment Over Time Summary

Summary | Details | Select Terms | First-Time Freshmen

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Semester: Fall

Level/Degree: All

College/Dept./Major: All

- [ ] Freshman
- [ ] Sophomore
- [ ] Junior
- [ ] Senior
- [ ] UG Special
- [ ] Masters
- [ ] Specialist
- [ ] Doc Candidate
- [ ] Graduate Special

- [ ] Full-Time
- [ ] Part-Time

- [ ] 1st Generation
- [ ] Not 1st Gen
- [ ] No Input

- [ ] Men
- [ ] Women

- [ ] Alaskan Native
- [ ] American Indian
- [ ] Asian
- [ ] Black or African American
- [ ] Hispanic
- [ ] Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- [ ] Not Specified
- [ ] Two Or More Races
- [ ] White

- [ ] Continuing/Readmit
- [ ] Dual Enrollment
- [ ] First Time Freshman
- [ ] New Graduate
- [ ] New Special or Transient
- [ ] New Transfer

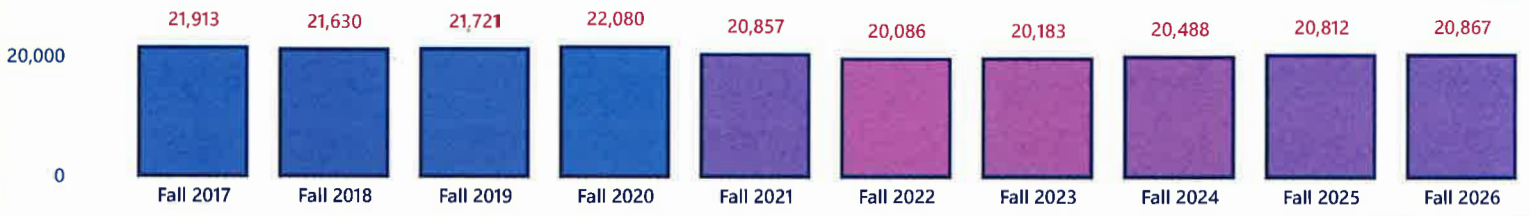
- [ ] Domestic
- [ ] International

- [ ] Veteran
- [ ] Vet Dependent

- [ ] Age < 25
- [ ] Age >= 25

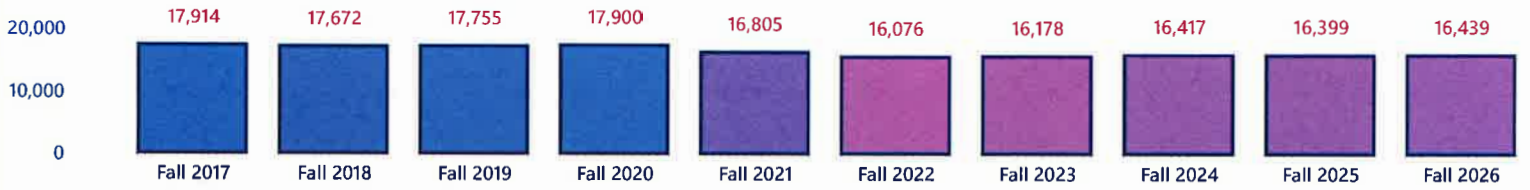
Headcount Over Time

Highest | Middle | Lowest

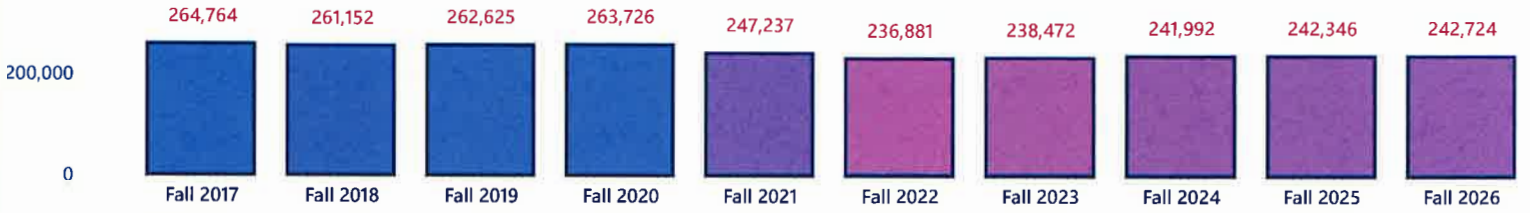


FTE Over Time

Divides the Section Credit Hours by 15 for Undergraduates & 12 for Graduates.



Student Credit Hours Over Time



Data Last Refreshed: 10/2/2026

IEPR Contact: https://iepr.mtsu.edu/contact/

2026-2031 QAF Funding

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Academic Program Quality (Program Accreditation and Review) – 60%

Student Success (Major Field Test and Licensure Exam) – 30%

Student Engagement (Student Surveys) – 10%

2020-2025 QAF Funding

General Education Assessment (CCTST) – 10%

Major Field Test and Licensure – 15%

Academic Programs (Accreditation and Program Reviews) – 35%

Institutional Satisfaction – 10%

Student Equity – 10%

Student Access and Success – 20%