

Lock Haven University regularly participates in the Freshman Survey administered by the Cooperative Institutional Research Program (CIRP) of the Higher Education Research Institute (HERI), at UCLA.

- Established in 1966 at the American Council on Education, the CIRP is now the nation's largest and oldest empirical study of higher education, involving data on some 1,900 institutions, over 12 million students, and more than 300,000 faculty. CIRP surveys have been administered by the Higher Education Research Institute since 1973.
- Each year, approximately 700 two-year colleges, four-year colleges and universities administer the Freshman Survey to over 400,000 entering students during orientation or registration.

(From the CIRP web site at <http://www.gseis.ucla.edu/heri/index.php> – see the site for more information.) The national results with information about methodology are available in book form (*The American Freshman: National Norms for Fall 2007*) and have been reported in the *Chronicle* and elsewhere.

The LHU CIRP survey was administered at the beginning of the fall 2007 semester to Clearfield students at orientation and main campus students primarily through the residence halls. (Main campus freshmen living off-campus may be underrepresented in the data.) There were 902 respondents, 844 of whom were first-time, full-time freshmen.

LHU results are reported beside data from comparable public four-year colleges based on selectivity (SAT math plus critical reading less than 1085) and from all public four-year colleges.