

## What Do We Know about the Undergraduate Class of 2012?

- 60% started here as first-time students; 40% transferred here from another institution of higher education. Almost one-third (30%) of the transfer students came from Big Sandy Community and Technical College.
- The average time to degree completion for students who started at UPike as first-time students and received a bachelor's degree is just under 5 years (4.74). The "Endurance Award" goes to Misty Dawn Coleman Ramey (BBA in Business Administration-Management), who is graduating today after originally beginning her studies at Pikeville in fall 1993.
- The average per borrower cumulative principal borrowed by students who started at UPike as first-time students and received a bachelor's degree is \$20,121. [The average student loan debt among college seniors was \$25,250 in 2010 (Source: <http://projectonstudentdebt.org/>)]
- The oldest graduate is 51 years old and the youngest graduate is 19 years old. There are three (3) graduates with birthdays in four days (May 23, 2012): Jessica Bentley (26), Sarah Ratliff (23), and Stephanie Bannister (22).
- 81% are from Appalachia
  - 44% graduated from a high school in Pike County, Kentucky
  - 15% graduated from East Ridge High School
- 48% qualified for need-based Federal financial aid (27% are from families in poverty)
- 46% are first generation
- 45% lived on campus at some point during their matriculation at UPike
- 39% are male
- 38% participated in intercollegiate athletics at some point during their matriculation:
  - 20% Basketball
  - 18% Bowling
  - 18% Soccer
  - 15% Football
  - 13% Baseball
  - 12% Cross Country
  - 8% Softball
  - 3% Volleyball
  - 3% Golf
- Over one-quarter (26%) had enrolled in at least one developmental course during their matriculation at UPike
- Over one-quarter (26%) are non-traditional students [i.e., over the age of 25 and/or married]