SIRIS Reference Guide
Annual Academic Summaries

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What is Annual Academic Summaries?

The Annual Academic Summaries (AAS) dashboard uses standardized metrics to provide University leadership, Department Chairs, and other support staff with a clear and comprehensive snapshot of their departmental trends (students, instructors, and classes) over the past 10 years.

AAS can be accessed by a wide range of users, including:

- All faculty who have signed the usage agreement (STARS Course AAS-0001: AAS Annual Academic Summaries User Agreement)*
- All staff with SIRIS authority
- Staff in certain roles have also been granted access pending their completion of the usage agreement (e.g. Student Services Officers, Department Managers)

*Note that users will be able to access AAS in bi.stanford.edu the day after completing the STARS user agreement.

To request access for other staff members, please contact us at siris-support@lists.stanford.edu.

Currently, the dashboard has five tabs (differentiated by color) which show the following trend data:

**OVERVIEW**

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**COMPARISONS** *(Allows you to compare your department to other departments along various metrics)*

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<th># of Appointed Faculty (with Rank)</th>
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**METHODOLOGY & DEFINITIONS**

This tab provides detailed information on the methods used to create the reports in AAS, as well as definitions of key terms. Use this tab to understand new concepts and fields created in AAS, including an explanation of time (i.e., when data are snapshot throughout the academic year) and how professoriate and non-professoriate roles are defined.

Additional reports will be added to the dashboard in the coming months, including the following:

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Average Class Size  
Teaching Patterns  
Individualized Instruction  
General UG Class Teaching |
| CLASSES | Largest Classes  
Outside Learners  
WAYS Classes  
Cardinal Courses Classes |
| COMPARISONS | Degrees conferred (Bachelor’s, Master’s, & Doctorate)  
Appointed Faculty (Line)  
Active Teachers (Professoriate & Non-Professoriate Headcounts)  
Average Teaching Load (Regular Classes & 1-1 Instruction)  
% of Classes Taught Outside Your Department  
Total # of Classes Taught  
Total # of Units Taught  
Total # of Units Taught to UG  
Average Class Size  
% of Classes Taught by Professoriate  
% of Students Taught by Professoriate  
% of Student Enrollments with a Plan Outside Your Department |
How to Navigate AAS

1. Go to bi.stanford.edu

2. Click on the Dashboards drop down menu in the upper right and choose Annual Academic Summaries under Student Analytics

3. Select a Department from the drop down menu and click Apply

4. Once you select a department, overview information will populate.

5. Click on any of the five tabs at the top to explore reports within the dashboard.

6. To print or export the entire dashboard or a single tab, click on the wheel in the top right corner

Having issues accessing or navigating AAS? Email us at siris-support@lists.stanford.edu
When should I use this dashboard?

Users should ask three questions when identifying the appropriate time(s) to utilize AAS:

- **Do you need a snapshot of an academic year in time or more current data?**
  
  The tables and graphs in AAS are built using data snapshots at specific points in the academic year. (For an explanation of time in AAS, see the Methodologies & Definitions tab of the dashboard.) In other words, AAS provides yearly and quarterly snapshotted data, but does not show real-time or day-old data. If you need more recent data, you should look to other reports in SIRIS or Student Administration. If using other SIRIS reports, note that data is as of the day before.

  **Examples:**

  _Use AAS when_ you want to look at snapshot data for a specific academic year(s).

  _Do not use AAS when_ you are answering a real time question such as, “how many students are enrolled in units for the current quarter, as of this week?”

- **What grain of data you need? (i.e. row level data vs. aggregate data)**
  
  Data in AAS are at an aggregate level, meaning AAS shows overall counts of things in specific categories and academic years, but it will not provide lists of individuals (such as students or faculty). If you need this type of row level data, you should look to other reports in SIRIS. The next section, _Where can I find more info about…?_ , is a guide to related reporting that provides additional views of the data presented in AAS.

  **Examples:**

  _Use AAS when_ you want to look at aggregate trend data for an academic year(s), such as counts of appointed faculty in a department each year by professoriate level.

  _Do not use AAS when_ you need a list of something, such as a list of all students enrolled in courses in your department for the current quarter.

- **Do you need to share data with department leadership and faculty?**
  
  Something that sets AAS apart from other reporting in BI is that access can be granted to a wider group of users, including faculty, leadership, and staff in other relevant roles (see a description of who can access AAS on page 2 of this guide). If you need to share aggregate trend data over time with department leadership and/or faculty, AAS is ideal because you simply send them a link to the dashboard via email, without any report manipulation or exporting.

  **Guidelines for appropriate use of AAS:**

  - **DO share with departmental faculty, academic administrative staff, and departmental instructors**
  - **DO share within your department in relevant administrative contexts**
✓ DO use these data for curriculum and department reviews
✓ DO consult with IR&DS if you have questions about using these data (irds-general@lists.stanford.edu)
✗ DON’T publish these data on a departmental website
✗ DON’T share with student audiences, external audiences, or with the media
✗ DON’T send it to staff who do not need the data to perform departmental duties
✗ DON’T cite these data in academic research without prior consultation with IR&DS
Where can I find more info about...?

While exploring Annual Academic Summaries, users may see trends or topics they want to dive into further. Below is a guide to reports and dashboards that provide additional views of the data presented in AAS.

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