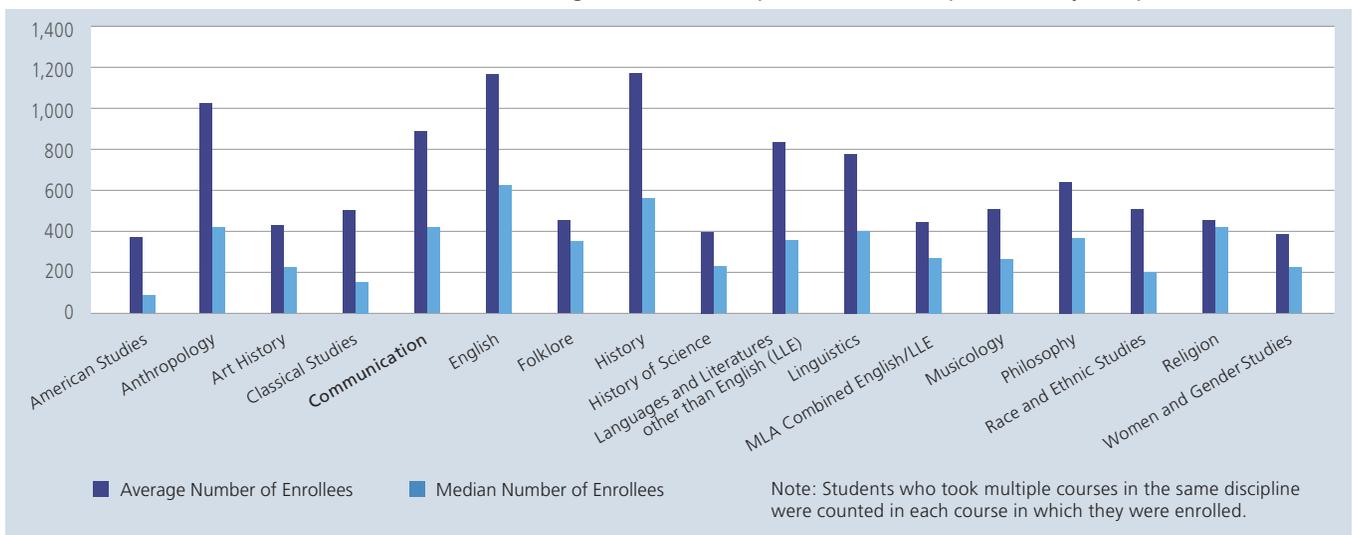


THE STATE OF THE HUMANITIES AT THE UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL

The American Academy of Arts and Sciences’ Humanities Indicators Project recently released *The State of the Humanities in Four-Year Colleges and Universities (2017)*. This report provides insight into the health of the humanities at four-year institutions using data captured by the Humanities Indicators’ 2017–18 Humanities Department Survey. The report is based on the responses of chairs and administrators representing 1,419 humanities departments.

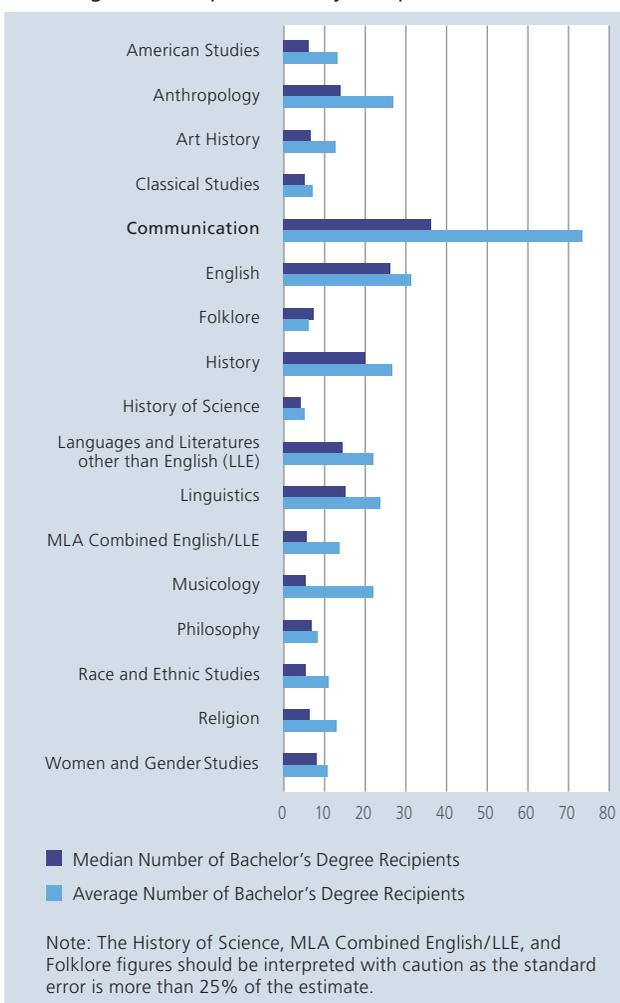
Data indicate that undergraduate courses in Communication are among the most popular in the humanities. Communication departments registered one of the largest average enrollments in their undergraduate course offerings (897), trailing only History (1,174), English (1,157), and Anthropology (1,037) amongst all humanities disciplines.

Estimated Fall 2017 Enrollment in Undergraduate Courses per Humanities Department, by Discipline



Of the humanities disciplines included in the study, the estimated number of 2016–2017 bachelor’s degree recipients per department was highest in Communication. Findings also indicate that Communication departments awarded more minors than most other humanities departments in the 2016–2017 academic year.

Estimated Number of Students Completing a Bachelor’s Degree Per Department, by Discipline: 2016–2017



Estimated Number of Students Completing a Minor Per Department, by Discipline: 2016–2017

