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EASTERN CLOSES ALL UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 1989

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University President Stan Rives announced today that an increased number of applications coupled with less than adequate appropriations has necessitated a cutoff of all undergraduate applications for the 1989 fall semester, effective Friday, November 11.

The only exceptions are applicants for readmission and recipients of designated institutional awards and scholarships.

Eastern had a fall enrollment of 10,510, nearly 4% over last year.

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CLOSING OF APPLICATIONS

President Rives said he especially regrets the necessity to close further admission for community college and minority applicants for the Fall of 1989.

Due to an unprecedented high number of applicants, a record current enrollment, and in conjunction with a planned enrollment reduction over the next five years, Eastern had previously imposed a cutoff of freshmen and senior college transfer admissions for fall semester 1989 on October 28.

At that time, Rives had said, "...we have no alternative to reducing future enrollment to a level that we can effectively serve with the resources available to us. The alternative is certain deterioration of the quality of our educational program....something we cannot allow to happen to our University."