

Economy not affecting WPCC

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The sluggish economy may affect many things, but it has not had an impact on Western Piedmont Community College.

"Early indicators show it is not affecting us yet," said Larry Clark, dean of planning and research at the college.

Early indicators are numbers from early registration.

Students who register early are freshmen and students returning from the spring or summer quarters.

"We have had an average registration," said Richard Green, vice president for academic affairs at WPCC.

WPCC will know where they stand for this fall quarter by Sept. 7, after regular registration.

A community/institutional profile prepared by the Division of Student Development Services and the Department of Community Colleges reported WPCC enrolled an average of 12,354 students during the 1991-1992 school year.

Of that number, 4,297 students were enrolled in a curriculum program. The top programs included technical special studies, nursing, college tracks, vocational studies, and criminal justice.

Extension programs, which include job training, high school diploma and literacy, had an enrollment of 8,057.

Although WPCC has not had evident examples of the economy affecting their enrollment, Green said the college has received phone calls from individuals asking how many classes they can take for a certain amount of money.