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Lindenwood University has set a record this fall with 1,502 students enrolled in its accelerated evening program for adults. That represents an increase of just over 12 percent from the same time period in 2002 when there were 1,335 enrolled.

The increases are attributed to a variety of factors, said Anne Zerr, director of Adult, Corporate and Graduate admissions.

"We have added a new site in Belleville, IL, where the community has embraced us," said Anne Zerr, director of adult, corporate and graduate admissions. "That accounts for a significant part of our increase. But we have seen increases at every Lindenwood location across the region. I think our affordability is a huge factor here—we've frozen tuition for three straight years."

Zerr said the biggest factor for the increase is Lindenwood's attention to the educational needs of working adults.

"The degree programs we offer are created to help adults succeed and advance in the workplace," Zerr said. Plus, the classes are small, and we insist our students have regular meetings with academic advisors."

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