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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Bowling Green, Ky., Feb. 16...Western Kentucky University's enrollment for the spring semester is the highest in the 60-year history of the school.

Figures released today by Registrar Rhea Lazarus show Western's enrollment for the current semester, which opened Feb. 1, as 8,247 students. This is an increase of 943 over the 7,304 enrolled at this same time last year.

This semester's enrollment is 12.9 per cent higher than similar figures from the 1966 spring semester. The enrollment total of 8,247 does not include students at the University Training School, the Western Area Vocational School, or those in extension classes away from the campus.

In other areas of expansion on the campus, Western officials have already announced expected spring starting dates for two new men's dormitories. Three construction projects are now under way on the campus, including the Lawrence W. Wetherby Administration Building, the Kelly Thompson Complex for Science and the 16,000-seat Academic-Athletic Building No. 2-L.T. Smith Stadium.

Spring semester classes at Western will be dismissed at 12:45., April 8, for spring vacation. Classes will resume Monday, April 17.

The spring semester will close Friday, June 2, with graduation exercises scheduled at 7:30 p.m., in the E.A. Diddle Arena. Summer school will open Monday, June 2, and continue for eight weeks, ending Friday, Aug. 4.