

Plans for Race-Ethnicity on OPAR's Databases

While OPAR will be collecting the race-ethnicities on the MAAD submissions as individual indicators, the data will be stored differently on OPAR's Oracle databases. On the MAAD database, race-ethnicities for applicants will be stored in a separate table linked to the other MAAD data by a common key (Year/Term/Unit/Division/SSN). The race-ethnicities will be stored as a combination of two 2-character codes. In addition, the table will contain a 30-character text field to record "Other Race Text" that the applicant may optionally provide. The MAAD database changes will be implemented in fall 2007. The goal is to use the same model for handling CDR student race/ethnicities beginning in summer/fall 2008.

The table would look like this:

Key	Race_Ethnic_Group	Race_Ethnic_Subgroup	Other_Race_Text
	XX	XX	X(30)

The Race-Ethnic Group rolls up race/ethnic subcategories into an overall group. Here's the Race-Ethnic-Group translation table:

Race_Ethnic_Group	Description
01	African American/Black
02	Hispanic/Latino
03	American Indian/Alaska Native
04	Southeast Asian
05	Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
06	Other Asian
08	White
09	Other Race
10	Unknown
91	Two or More Race/Ethnicities
95	International

The database would also include a derived data element "Race-Ethnicity-Citizenship" that would be used for standard reporting of unduplicated headcounts. International applicants (non-citizens) would have a derived value of 95 in this field; applicants who chose two or more race/ethnicity groups would have a derived value of 91. For the remaining applicants, the Race-Ethnicity-Citizenship would have the same value as their Race-Ethnic-Group.

The combined Race_Ethnic_Group/Race_Ethnic_Subgroup identifies a specific subcategory. Here's the translation table for the combination of Race-Ethnic-Group and Race-Ethnic-Subgroup:

Race_Ethnic_Group	Race_Ethnic_Subgroup	Description
01	01	African American/Black
02	01	Mexican American/Chicano
02	02	Puerto Rican
02	03	Cuban
02	04	Other Hispanic/Latino
03	01	American Indian/Alaska Native
04	01	Cambodian
04	02	Hmong
04	03	Laotian
04	04	Vietnamese
05	01	Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
06	01	Other Asian
08	01	White
09	01	Other Race
10	01	Unknown

Examples:

Applicant	Application Choices	Race Ethnic Group	Race Ethnic Subgroup	Other Race Text	Race Ethnicity Citizenship	Race Ethnicity Citizenship Translation
A	Mexican American Citizen	02	01		02	Hispanic/Latino
B	Mexican American White/Caucasian Citizen	02 08	01 01		91	Two or more Race/Ethnicities
C	Cambodian Hmong Laotian Citizen	04 04 04	01 02 03		04	Southeast Asian
D	Cuban Puerto Rican Citizen	02 02	03 02		02	Hispanic/Latino
E	Other Ukranian Citizen	09	01	Ukranian	09	Other Race/Ethnicity
F	White/Caucasian Other Citizen	08 09	01 01		08	White
G	Cuban Other Ukranian Citizen	02 09	03 01	Ukranian	02	Hispanic/Latino
H	White/Caucasian Non-citizen	08	01		95	International

Note: Applicants who specified that they hold a temporary U.S. visa are classified as non-citizens and included in the International totals. Applicants who specified U.S. citizenship, refugee or political asylee status, or that they hold a permanent resident visa are classified as citizens and reported in the race/ethnicity groups.