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## Around the Columns

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Adept at moving and maneuvering, Annemijn Koenen is a Belgium-born tennis player from Chicago who transferred from the University of Arkansas to Mizzou this fall semester. When she arrived in Columbia in August 2010 along with record numbers of students, she was especially determined not to let anything slip past her.



Annemijn Koenen, a Belgium-born Chicagoan who transferred to Mizzou from the University of Arkansas, is one of a record 24,901 undergraduates. Photo by Nicholas Benner

Two weeks before classes began, she was on the waiting list of practically every local apartment and MU residence hall as she patiently awaited a vacancy. She had even scoured Craig's List and thought about rooming with a teammate.

While in line at University Bookstore the Friday before classes started, she and her mom received a call from the Office of Residential Life declaring a handful of rooms available first come, first served. "We rushed over and started filling out my contract right away," Koenen says. "Now I live in South Hall, and I am loving it."




Fall 2010 enrollment statistics set another record: a total of 32,415 students — including 24,901 undergraduates — both university high marks. Mizzou continues to be the No. 1 choice for Missouri high school seniors. The freshman class of 6,089 — also a record — is the most diverse ever, and total minority enrollment is up 14 percent from 2009. "Mizzou has taken steps the last few years to ensure students have a great experience," says Ann Korschgen, MU vice provost for Enrollment Management. "The university has increased the number of

advisers, hired more teaching staff and increased the scholarship budget. We have also built a new recreation center [in 2005], new residence halls and a new student center [dedicated during Homecoming 2010].”

Although the campus is constantly bustling, it doesn't seem too crowded to junior fine arts major Mary Fama from Kansas City, Mo. “When classes let out, I notice that it's full, but full is good,” Fama says. “It makes me feel like I'm part of something special that so many people want to come to Mizzou.”

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