

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE



Bellingham, Washington

ACTIVE MINDS CHANGING LIVES

EXPERIENCE

Western combines exceptional academic quality with affordable tuition in a beautiful coastal setting. With just over 15,000 students, Western has the academic options, resources and diversity you would expect from one of the largest universities in Washington while providing the student focus, welcoming community, and access to faculty of a smaller college.

"Western has opened my eyes to new interests and pushed me outside of my comfort zone. I am very fortunate to be on such an active campus that offers so many areas of study, and even though home is far away, the home I have created here has become just as important to me."

Sha Huang

China



#1 public, master's-granting university in the Pacific Northwest for 18 years in a row
U.S. News & World Report

With **200+ student clubs and organizations**, it's easy to meet friends and get to know campus and Bellingham

Classes average 29 students – that means you will have the opportunity to work closely with faculty and classmates

More than 99% of classes are taught by distinguished faculty, not graduate teaching assistants

You can choose to live off campus, in our apartment complex, or in one of 16 residence halls (dorms)



55 MI/89 KM
VANCOUVER, CANADA

BELLINGHAM, WA
POP. 83,000

SEATTLE, WA
90 MI/145 KM

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EXPLORE

Choose from any of our 160+ academic programs and you will have the opportunity to learn and conduct research alongside some of the finest faculty in the nation on a scale that promotes interaction, engagement, and conversation.

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Anthropology, BA +*
Anthropology/Biology, BA
Anthropology/Social Studies, BA
Archaeology, BA
Behavioral Neuroscience, BS
Biocultural Anthropology, BA
Chinese Language and Culture, BA +*
Communication Sciences and Disorders, BA +
Communication Studies, BA +*
Community Health, BS
East Asian Studies, BA +
English +*
 Creative Writing, BA +*
 Literature, BA *
French, BA +*
German, BA +*
History
 History, BA +*
 History/Social Studies, BA
Humanities +*
 History of Culture, BA
 Religion and Culture, BA +

Japanese, BA +*

Journalism

News/Editorial, BA +
Public Relations, BA +
Visual Journalism, BA

Kinesiology

Health and Fitness Specialist, BS *
Movement Studies, BS
Pre-Health Care Professions, BS
Pre-Physical Therapy, BS
Sport Psychology, BS +

Linguistics, BA +

Multidisciplinary Studies, BA +

Philosophy, BA +

Physical Education & Health P-12, BAE

Political Science, BA +

Political Science/Social Studies, BA *

Psychology, BS +*

Recreation, BA

Sociology, BA, BS +*

Sociology/Social Studies, BA +

Spanish, BA +*

Student/Faculty Designed, BA, BS

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Biology, BA, BS +*

Biology/Anthropology, BS
Biology/Mathematics, BS
Biology – Secondary Teaching, BS
Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal
 Biology, BS
Marine Biology, BS
Molecular and Cell Biology, BS

Chemistry, BA, BS +*

Biochemistry, BS

Computer Science, BS +

Computer and Information Systems
Security, BS △

Engineering & Design

Electrical Engineering – Electronics, BS

Electrical Engineering – Energy, BS
Industrial Design, BS
Industrial Technology – Vehicle Design, BS +
Manufacturing Engineering, BS +
Plastics and Composites Engineering, BS

Geology, BA, BS +*

Geophysics, BS

Mathematics, BA, BS +*

Applied Mathematics, BS
Mathematics/Computer Science, BS
Statistics, BS

Physics and Astronomy +*

Physics, BS +

Science Education, BAE *

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

Accounting, BA +

Business Administration, BA +*

Business and Sustainability, BA +
Finance, BA
International Business, BA +
Management, BA
Management Information Systems, BA
Marketing, BA
Operations Management, BA

Economics, BA +

Economics/Accounting, BA
Economics/Environmental Studies, BA
Economics/Mathematics, BA
Economics/Political Science, BA
Economics/Social Studies, BA
Financial Economics, BA
Politics/Philosophy/ Economics, BA

Manufacturing and Supply Chain

Management, BS +

WOODRING COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Early Childhood Education, BAE *
Elementary Education Professional Program *
Exceptionality & Disability, BAE
Human Services, BA
Language, Literacy and Cultural Studies, BAE
Nursing (RN-to-BSN), BSN ^Δ
Secondary Education Professional Program
Special Education, BAE *

COLLEGE OF FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Art *
Art History, BA +
Art Studio, BA, BFA *
Dance, BA, BFA +*
Design, BA, BFA +
Music, BA, BMus +*
Music Composition, BMus
Music Education, P-12, BMus
Music History and Literature, BMus
Music Performance, BMus
Theatre, BA +*

HUXLEY COLLEGE OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Science, BS +
Freshwater Ecology, BS
Marine Ecology, BS
Terrestrial Ecology, BS
Toxicology, BS
Environmental Studies, BA +*
Environmental Education, BA

Environmental Policy, BA +
Geography, BA +*
Geography/Social Studies, BA
Urban Planning and Sustainable Development, BA +
Student/Faculty Designed, BA, BS

FAIRHAVEN COLLEGE OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

With an emphasis on interactive learning and social justice, Fairhaven College is Western's small liberal arts college. Working closely with faculty advisors, Fairhaven students design an interdisciplinary program of study tailored to their interests and goals. Experiential learning, self-direction, strong advising, and student-faculty collaboration are hallmarks of a Fairhaven education.

Fairhaven Interdisciplinary Concentration, BA, BAE
Law, Diversity and Justice Concentration, BA +

OTHER INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

American Cultural Studies, BA +
Canadian-American Studies, BA +
Energy Policy and Management, BA +
International Studies
Leadership Studies

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PATHWAYS

Pre-Chiropractic
Pre-Dentistry
Pre-Law
Pre-Medicine
Pre-Nursing
Pre-Nutrition
Pre-Occupational Therapy
Pre-Optometry
Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Physical Therapy
Pre-Physician Assistant
Pre-Veterinary

Pre-Professional Pathways are not offered as majors, but can be incorporated into or taken alongside majors offered at Western

- + minor offered (additional minors in a range of disciplines are also available)
- * related teaching endorsement offered
- offered at multiple campus locations
- Δ requires specialized transfer degree

(BA) Bachelor of Arts degree
(BS) Bachelor of Science degree
(BAE) Bachelor of Arts, Education degree
(BMus) Bachelor of Music degree
(BFA) Bachelor of Fine Arts
(BSN) Bachelor of Science in Nursing

This list of academic programs is subject to change without advanced notice.

TUITION AND SCHOLARSHIPS

At thousands less than private colleges and large research universities, you will find Western is very competitive in terms of quality and cost.

2016-2017 Estimated Cost of Attendance

Non-Resident Tuition	+	Student Fees*	Housing and Meals**	Books and Supplies**	Personal Expenses**	Getting Around**	Emergency Health Insurance	=	Non-Resident Total
		\$1,787	\$10,524	\$906	\$2,259	\$1,236	\$900		
\$20,060		<p>Costs represent annual expenses for full-time students (10-18 credits)</p> <p>* Fees include technology, health services, student recreation center, public transportation, etc.</p> <p>** Not fixed costs. Housing, meal and transportation expenses vary based on lifestyle and living arrangements</p>							\$37,672



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Kiplinger's Personal Finance and Washington Monthly magazines

Every international applicant who completes their admission application by the deadline will be automatically considered for available scholarships, including the **International Achievement Award, an annual award of \$1,500 to \$2,500** dependent on GPA.

Western's International Student and Scholar Services awards several scholarships to current Western international students in the form of partial tuition waivers, which may be used during the following academic year.

APPLYING TO WESTERN

A complete international student application includes:

- Application for admission and scholarships
- Official academic credentials from all colleges, universities and/or high schools attended
- Evidence of English language proficiency: minimum TOEFL score of 80 iBT/550 paper, minimum IELTS score of 6.5, or "B" or higher grades in two English composition courses if earning a transferable associate degree from a Washington state community college
- Statement of Financial Responsibility and verification of financial resources

apply at admissions.wvu.edu/international < -----

Western has many community college partners throughout the state of Washington.

Visit admissions.wvu.edu/partnerships to determine if your college has a guaranteed admission agreement with Western.

Students who do not yet meet the English language requirement may apply for Conditional Admission and begin their studies in our high-caliber Intensive English language program before moving on to their undergraduate degree program. Visit wvu.edu/iep for more information.

Application Priority Dates

International Transfer & Post-baccalaureate

Fall & Summer*	March 1
Winter	October 1
Spring	January 15

International Freshman

Fall	January 31
Winter	October 1
Spring	January 15

*Students should contact International Student and Scholar Services to receive advisement prior to applying for summer quarter.

VISIT

The best way to determine whether Western is right for you is to experience campus for yourself. From full- and half-day events – **including our International Connections Day on November 4, 2016** – to 90-minute walking tours of campus led by current students, we offer a variety of options that will give you a taste of life at Western.

> schedule your visit at admissions.wvu.edu/visit

CAN'T VISIT? LEARN MORE:

Virtual Tour: admissions.wvu.edu/virtual-tour

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