

2021 transfer & post-baccalaureate application *for admission & scholarships*



Western Washington University is a dynamic, innovative public university ranked among the best in the Pacific Northwest. Western is recognized for excellence in undergraduate education, an increasingly diverse learning environment and a strong sense of community. Students choose Western for the top-notch academic quality, size, location, success of graduates and affordable cost.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

Admission to Western Washington University is selective, as the number of qualified applicants exceeds the number of available enrollment spaces.

Transfer: Western welcomes transfer students in all majors and from all types of colleges and universities. A transfer student is someone who has attempted college credit after graduating from high school or earning a certificate or diploma of high school equivalent (such as the GED). Academic achievement is the most significant factor in the application review. Clearly defined academic goals, completion of major prerequisites and related experiences, number of transfer credits, contributions to and/or experiences with multiculturalism, special talent, personal circumstances, and space availability are also considered. Transfer applicants with fewer than 40 transferable quarter credits (27 semester) at the time of application must meet first-year admission requirements, by also submitting a final high school transcript.

Post-baccalaureate: Proposed program of study, preparation for major, cumulative academic record, related experience, space availability and clarity of academic and career goals are the most important factors considered in the application review. All post-baccalaureate applicants are encouraged to contact their intended academic department before applying for admissions and must include a detailed Statement of Purpose with their application for admission. Students planning to pursue teacher certification must apply simultaneously to Woodring College of Education or indicate when they plan to do so in their Statement of Purpose.

First-Year: High school students, including those earning college credit through Running Start or other College in the High School programs, should use the first-year application.

Find more information at admissions.wvu.edu/apply.

DO NOT USE THIS APPLICATION IF YOU ARE A:

- First-Year (including Running Start) applicant
- Former/returning Western student
- Graduate School applicant
- International applicant
- Summer quarter-only applicant

Go to admissions.wvu.edu/apply to determine which application is right for you, or call the Office of Admissions at (360) 650-3440.

TRANSFER & POST-BACCALAUREATE APPLICATION DEADLINES

Fall Quarter	March 1
Winter Quarter	September 15
Spring Quarter	January 1
Summer Quarter	March 1

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Completed application, signed and dated
- Non-refundable \$60 application fee*
- Official transcripts from *every* institution attended
- Essay/additional information

Transfer applicants with fewer than 40 completed credits must also submit:

- Official high school transcripts

Post-baccalaureate applicants must also submit:

- Detailed Statement of Purpose

For priority consideration, all application materials, including official transcripts and the application fee, must be postmarked by the application deadline.

*The application fee must be in the form of a check or money order, payable to *Western Washington University*, and is non-refundable. To request a fee waiver, include a written request with your application that explains why paying the application fee imposes an extreme financial hardship. A very limited number of fee waivers are granted.

Apply online at admissions.wvu.edu

Or, mail your completed application and fee to:
Western Washington University, Office of Admissions,
Old Main 200, MS 9009, 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA,
98225-9009

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

We recommend you keep a file with copies of all correspondence you have with Western, including a copy of your completed application form and college transcripts. Some sections of the application require further explanation, which you can find online at admissions.wvu.edu/apply.

If you have questions, please contact the Office of Admissions at (360) 650-3440 or admissions@wvu.edu.

Official Transcripts

Applicants must submit official transcripts from every institution attended. To be official, all transcripts must be sent directly from your college (and high school, if required) to Western's Office of Admissions, electronically or in an official sealed envelope. Only transcripts issued within the last year will be accepted.

Financial Aid and Scholarships

Financial Aid: Applying for financial aid does not affect your application for admission or consideration for scholarships. Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.gov. Western's school code is 003802. If you are a non-citizen eligible for resident tuition under HB 1079, please submit the WASFA instead at readysetgrad.wa.gov/wasfa. Fall quarter applicants should submit the FAFSA/WASFA prior to January 31 for priority consideration. For more information, refer to www.finaid.wvu.edu or contact the Financial Aid Services Center at (360) 650-3470.

Scholarships: The Office of Admissions awards scholarships to exceptional new first-year and transfer students. Scholarship selection is generally determined by the information provided with the application for admission. A complete list of new student scholarships is available at admissions.wvu.edu/scholarships. A complete list of all undergraduate student scholarships is available at www.finaid.wvu.edu/scholarships.

Living on Campus

New transfer and post-baccalaureate students may choose to live on campus. The date you apply to Western serves as your housing priority date, and detailed housing information can be found online at housing.wvu.edu.

Residency

To qualify as a Washington State resident and in-state tuition, you must be a U.S. citizen or have permanent resident (resident alien) status. You must also be a dependent student whose parent or guardian has been a legal resident for at least 12 months prior to enrollment, or an independent student who has established a permanent home in the state of Washington for at least 12 months prior to enrollment. Verification may be requested. The spouse or dependent of a person who is on active military duty can be allowed to pay resident tuition after providing appropriate documentation to the Registrar's Office.

You are not a resident of Washington State if you (or your parent, in the case of a dependent) have attended, as a resident, college in another state within a year prior to enrollment; have received financial assistance from another state, including a reciprocity award, within a year prior to enrollment; or possess a current out-of-state driver's license, vehicle registration or other document which gives evidence of being domiciled in another state.

If you are not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the U.S. and not on a current visa, but have continuously resided in Washington State for three (3) years prior to receiving a high school diploma from a Washington State high school, you may be eligible to pay resident tuition, in accordance with House Bill 1079.

More information about residency can be found on our website at admissions.wvu.edu/residency.

Western Washington University (WVU), in compliance with applicable laws and in furtherance of its commitment to fostering an environment that welcomes and embraces diversity, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex (including pregnancy and parenting status), disability, age, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status or genetic information in its programs or activities, including employment, admissions, and educational programs. Inquiries may be directed to the Executive Director, Title IX and ADA Coordinator, Office of Civil Rights and Title IX Compliance, Western Washington University, Old Main 345, MS 9021, 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225; (360) 650-3307 (voice) or 711 (Washington Relay); crtc@wvu.edu.

WVU is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. To request an accommodation in the application process, please contact the Disability Access Center, Wilson Library 170; (360) 650-3083 (voice) or (360) 255-7175 (VP); drs@wvu.edu. One week advance notice appreciated. To request this document in an alternate format, please contact the Office of Admissions, Old Main 200; (360) 650-3440; admissions@wvu.edu.

As part of Western's commitment to maintaining a healthy and safe living, learning and working environment, we want to make you aware of our Annual Security & Fire Safety Report. This report is developed in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) and provides reported crime statistics for the previous three calendar years. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as those concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault, and other matters. It is available for download at <https://vpess.wvu.edu/files/docs/ASRCleryreport.pdf>. To request a paper copy of this report, please contact the Vice President of Enrollment and Student Services Office; (360) 650-3839; vpsa.office@wvu.edu.



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submit with \$60 fee to:

Western Washington University Office of Admissions Old Main 200, MS 9009 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225

1. Application Information

This application is only for students who have attempted college coursework after high school graduation or GED completion. Visit admissions.wvu.edu/apply for further details.

For which quarter are you applying? Check only one. Winter (January) 2021 Spring (March) 2021 Summer (June) 2021 Fall (September) 2021

Are you applying as a: Transfer Post-baccalaureate If yes, are you transferring directly from a Washington State community college? If yes, please specify your academic goal:

- Teacher certification only Add a major or minor to my current bachelor's degree (for WWU alumni) Second bachelor's degree Other (prerequisites for graduate school, etc.)

Are you applying to a degree or certificate program at one of the following Western sites: Bremerton, Burien, Distance/ Online Learning (Human Services), Everett, Port Angeles or Poulsbo; or one of the following programs on Bellingham's main campus: Communication Sciences and Disorders or RN-to-BSN?

Western offers an array of degree and certificate programs throughout the Puget Sound. Before submitting an application, students interested in one of these programs should contact the appropriate program/site for pre-admissions advising and program-specific application requirements. Location programs are listed in Section 9 of this application.

Have you previously attended Western? If yes: Last Quarter/Year at Western

Do you require a non-immigrant student visa to study in the U.S.? If yes, fill out the International application at admissions.wvu.edu/apply.

2. Personal Information

Legal Name: Your legal name will be used for official University communications - including admissions communications, transcripts and degrees.

Form fields for Last, First, Middle, Jr., etc. Preferred First Name (if different than legal name) and instructions on preferred name usage.

Former Name(s) or other name(s): If your first or last name has changed, indicate your former name(s). Also list any other names that may appear on transcripts.

Form fields for Current Mailing Address: Last, First, Middle, Jr., etc., City, County, State, Zip, and checkboxes for Valid indefinitely or Valid until.

Email Address field with instruction: Provide a valid email address that you check regularly, as Western will email important information regarding your admission and enrollment.

Home Phone and Cell Phone fields with checkbox: Yes, I accept text messages Standard text messaging charges apply.

Permanent Address fields: (if different than mailing) Number and Street, City, County, State, Zip, Telephone.

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) and Birthplace (City, State, Country) fields.

Citizenship: Use this application if you are a U.S. citizen, U.S. permanent resident, political asylee or refugee, DREAMer, or eligible for DACA or HB 1079/1487. If you require a non-immigrant student visa to study in the U.S., you must use the International Student Application instead.

- U.S. citizen U.S. permanent resident A Political asylee or refugee Other Country of citizenship U.S. visa type Date issued (if applicable)

Tribal Enrollment and Descendancy:

Are you enrolled in, or do you claim descendancy from, an American Indian or Alaska native tribe? If yes, enter your tribe name Tribal Enrollment ID Number

Note: Students are encouraged to connect with Western's Tribal Relations at www.wvu.edu/tribal-relations for resources and additional information.

Are you enrolled in, or do you claim descendancy from, a Canadian First Nation?

Residency:

Are you a resident of Washington State? See Residency instructions for details about qualifying for Washington State residency.

If yes, dates of most recent continuous residence in WA: from Month/Year to Month/Year

Do you have a parent or guardian who currently resides in Washington and has lived here twelve (12) months or more?

5. Pre-College Academic History

Check one and indicate dates, actual or proposed:

High School Graduation _____
Month/Day/Year
 GED test _____
Month/Day/Year
 Other _____
Month/Day/Year

High school from which you graduated:

High School _____ City, State _____ Dates of attendance (Month/Year) _____

6. College Academic History

- Beginning with your current/most recently attended institution, list **all** colleges and universities you have ever attended (including in high school). Include an additional page if necessary.
- DO NOT OMIT or exclude any institution**, even if you do not expect to transfer credit.
- An official transcript from each college and/or university is required for your application to be complete.** Please note that transcripts printed more than one year ago cannot be accepted. Students who have attended Washington State community or technical colleges are encouraged to have their official transcripts sent electronically. If you have earned credit outside of the U.S. or Canada, an official foreign credit evaluation must be sent directly to Western.

College/University	City	State	Dates of Attendance (Mo/Yr)		# of Credits Earned	Term Type: Qtr or Sem	Degree? Y or N
			From	To			

Yes No Have you completed fewer than 40 transferable quarter credits (27 semester) at the time of application?
If yes: you must meet all first-year admission requirements including submitting a final high school transcript.

Yes No Have you taken any AP, IB, Cambridge International, or other advanced courses or exams?
If yes: to receive college credit, official scores must be sent by the testing agency.

7. College Degrees

Indicate which college degree you have earned or will earn prior to enrollment at Western:

- No degree
- Washington State community or technical college associate's degree _____
College/University Date Earned (Month/Year)
- Direct Transfer Agreement (DTA) associate's degree [often called Associate in Arts and Sciences or Associate in Arts]
- Associate in Science (AS-T) transfer degree
- Other associate's degree [e.g. Associate in Technical Arts (ATA), Associate in Applied Science (AAS)] _____
- Associate's degree from outside Washington State _____
College/University Date Earned (Month/Year)
- Bachelor's degree _____
College/University Date Earned (Month/Year)
- Other degree _____
Degree College/University Date Earned (Month/Year)

8. Current and Future College Courses

Yes No Will you be taking classes any time between now and when you plan to enroll at Western?

If yes, list college/university: _____

List all courses you are currently taking or plan to take between now and when you enroll at Western.

Note: You will need to send updated official transcripts prior to enrollment at Western.

Courses in Progress		Future Courses		Future Courses	
Term:		Term:		Term:	
Course Name	Credits	Course Name	Credits	Course Name	Credits

9. Academic Interests

Indicate academic programs you have an interest in pursuing at Western. Selecting academic interests on your application is not binding and major declaration occurs after enrollment. Many Western majors have selective admissions requirements including completion of prerequisite course work, elevated GPA, an audition or portfolio review. Refer to admissions.wvu.edu/catalog for detailed information about major declaration procedures, course requirements and contact information for advisers. If you are applying to one of Western's Location Programs, please indicate in that sub-section below.

Academic Interests First choice _____ Second choice _____

Main Campus Academic Programs Requiring Additional Materials. If you plan to participate in any of the following main campus programs, please indicate below and refer to departmental websites.

- Art** requires a portfolio. See admissions.wvu.edu/art for more information.
- Cybersecurity** requires additional application materials. See admissions.wvu.edu/cybersecurity for more information.
- Design** requires a portfolio. See admissions.wvu.edu/design for more information.
- Early Childhood Education** requires an application. See admissions.wvu.edu/early-ed for more information.
- Elementary Education** requires an application. See admissions.wvu.edu/elementary-ed for more information.
- Fairhaven College of Interdisciplinary Studies** requires additional application materials. See admissions.wvu.edu/fairhaven for more information.
- Human Services** requires an application. See admissions.wvu.edu/human-services for more information.
- Industrial Design** requires a portfolio. See admissions.wvu.edu/id for more information.
- Music** requires an audition. See admissions.wvu.edu/music for more information. **Primary Instrument/Voice** _____
- Secondary Education** requires an application. See admissions.wvu.edu/secondary-ed for more information.
- Special Education** requires an application. See admissions.wvu.edu/special-ed for more information.

What term do you plan to start in this program? _____
Term Year

Location Programs. If you wish to apply to any of the following location programs please indicate the program and site below. Check one program and location only. If you are interested in more than one program or location, please consult with the program advisor before submitting your application. Note: applying to more than one location program requires separate applications and fees.

Degree Program Options:

- Business Administration** (BA) DH01/XBA-BADM
Locations: Poulsbo (PL)
- Business & Sustainability** (BA) DH11/XBA-BUSS
Locations: Poulsbo (PL)
- Cybersecurity** (BS) NC10/XBS-CISS
Locations: Poulsbo (PL)
- Early Childhood Education (ECE):**
 - ECE - Non-Certification Option** (BAE) EA22/XBAE-ECEN
 - ECE - P-3 Certificate Option** (BAE) EA23/XBAE-ECEC
Locations: Bremerton (BT)
- Elementary Education Teacher Certification with Major in Education for Inclusive Environments** (BAE) EA31/XBAE-SPED
Locations: Bremerton (BT) Everett (EV)
- Environmental Policy or Environmental Science:**
 - Environmental Policy** (BA) 8A35/XBA-EP
 - Environmental Science** (BS) 8A07/XBS-ES
Locations: Everett (EV) Port Angeles (PT) Poulsbo (PL)
- Human Services** (BA) 6B01/XBA-HS
Locations: Everett (EV) Distance Learning (DL)
- Multidisciplinary Studies** (BA) XG02/XBA-MDS
Locations: Bremerton (BT) Port Angeles (PT) Poulsbo (PL)
- Nursing** (BSN) 3A02/XBSN-NURS
Locations: Bellingham (BH) Sedro-Woolley/Hybrid

Post-Baccalaureate Program Options:

- Communication Sciences & Disorders** PB02/XPB-CSD
Locations: Bellingham (BH)
- Elementary Education Teacher Certification** PB01/XPB-ELED
Locations: Bremerton (BT) Everett (EV)

Endorsement Only Options (for certified teachers):

- Endorsement Program** PBEN/X-CP-TXKV
Locations: Bremerton (BT) Burien (BN) Everett (EV)

10. Essay Questions

We believe that ability, potential and success are not measured exclusively by grades. Western values the diverse experiences and perspectives that make you unique. Your essay response will help the Admissions Committee learn what is important to you and what qualities you would bring to Western's community. A response to Question #1 is required for most students; you may respond to more than one question if desired. We recommend 300-500 words per question (this is not a firm limit but a recommended range).

Optional for Students with College Level GPA 3.0 or Higher; Required for All Other Applicants:

1. *Tell us about your educational and/or professional goals. What are you interested in studying and why? Describe any steps you've taken to prepare for your intended major, related life experiences, enrichment activities, future plans, etc. In addition, feel free to address what makes Western Washington University a good match for your interests.*

Optional for All Applicants:

2. *Western benefits from a student body whose interests and drive extend beyond the classroom. What interests or significant activities enrich your life?*
3. *Describe any special circumstances or hurdles that have challenged you personally or academically, and steps you have taken to move beyond those challenges.*

Post-baccalaureate Applicants: Statement of Purpose. All post-baccalaureate applicants are required to submit a Statement of Purpose that addresses the following items.

1. *Why are you pursuing further studies? What are your long-term academic and professional goals? Describe your related experience and preparation – either academic or experiential. Be as specific as possible.*
2. *After reviewing the requirements for admission to your intended academic program, including course prerequisites, how prepared are you to begin your program? If you need additional prerequisite courses or otherwise do not meet admissions requirements, what specifically are you lacking? List the courses you plan to take as well as how many academic quarters you plan to enroll.*
3. *Why is it necessary for you to enroll at Western? Do other four-year universities or community colleges offer what you need at this time? Can you meet your goals as a non-matriculated student, attending classes on a space available basis?*
4. *If you are seeking admission to an undergraduate program with selective admission criteria, are you assured departmental admission? Because capacity is an important consideration, please detail any information or advising you have received from the department.*

11. New Student Scholarships

The Admissions Scholarship Committee awards scholarships based on information provided within your application for admission and does not require an additional scholarship application. Students are encouraged to submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), or Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA), prior to the January 31 priority deadline, as some scholarship criteria include financial need. Information about new student scholarships is available at admissions.wvu.edu/scholarships.

Students requesting consideration for the following scholarships must indicate their interest and include a written response.

- Yes, consider my essay for the **Multicultural Achievement Program (MAP) Scholarship**. Students selected for the MAP scholarship receive a \$2,000 - \$3,000 scholarship and invitations to special events. Applicants must demonstrate an ongoing commitment to multiculturalism and diversity, and are encouraged to describe past contributions to multiculturalism and/or diversity and how they intend to promote these values at Western. Priority is given to Fall quarter applicants and residents of Washington State.

Essay question: Describe any activities you have been involved in related to diversity or multiculturalism and how you will actively contribute to a diverse campus community at Western. (300-500 words)

- Yes, consider my essay for the **Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Scholarship**. Students selected for the PTK scholarship receive a \$1,000 - \$2,000 scholarship. Must be a PTK member to receive this scholarship. Selection criteria includes academic achievement, extracurricular activities, leadership, and PTK involvement. Priority is given to Fall quarter applicants.

Essay question: List Phi Theta Kappa programs/activities you were involved in and/or additional honors attained while attending community college. Describe the extent of your involvement as well as any specific leadership positions held. (300-500 words)

12. Additional Information

Indicate if you are interested the following clubs and activities at Western. This will help us address your interests in future communications.

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|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic clubs | <input type="checkbox"/> Dance | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Debate | <input type="checkbox"/> LGBTQIA or Queer | <input type="checkbox"/> Study abroad |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Athletics (Division II, club sports, intramurals) | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment & sustainability | <input type="checkbox"/> Media (TV, film, radio, photography, newspaper) | <input type="checkbox"/> Theatre |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community service, volunteering, mentoring | <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic and multicultural | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Global issues | | |

Have you visited Western's campus? Yes No

How did you first learn about Western?

- | | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWU website | <input type="checkbox"/> College fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher, coach, mentor | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit to campus | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Letter or email from Western | <input type="checkbox"/> Family member | <input type="checkbox"/> Counselor, advisor | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit to Bellingham | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Western visited my school | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend | <input type="checkbox"/> Online college search | | |

13. Certification of Accuracy

Your signature certifies that all information included in and with the application for admission is accurate and complete. By signing below, you acknowledge that failure to disclose complete and accurate information, knowingly providing falsified information, or misrepresentation may result in denial of admission or subsequent dismissal from Western Washington University and that information included in your application may be verified with an official source.

Signature of Applicant (required) _____ Date _____

Demographic Information

In accordance with Washington State law, Western Washington University does not use race, sex, gender identity, color, ethnicity, or national origin in admission decisions.

Western Washington University is required by law to report aggregate demographic data to the U.S. Department of Education and other federal and state agencies. In addition, this information may assist in the awarding of privately funded scholarships.

Western is required to collect gender data for external reporting purposes. We recognize and respect that your self-identification may not be reflected in these options. You will have the ability to indicate your gender identity beyond the binary fields below after confirming your enrollment.

- Female Male

Personal Pronouns:

If you would like to indicate your personal pronouns, you may do so here. Western provides students and employees with the opportunity to provide this information as one element of our commitment to fostering a respectful and inclusive university community. When students share pronouns, those pronouns will be shown next to student names on class and photo rosters used by faculty. Providing this information is voluntary; you are not required to do so. You will also be able to update this information after you enroll. Learn more on the FAQ page at https://lgbtq.wvu.edu/pronouns_gender_faq.

- She, her, hers
 He, him, his
 They, them, theirs
 Ze, hir, hirs
 Ze, zir, zirs
 use name only

Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin? Check one or more. Please specify if you indicate "Other." *Optional*

- Yes, Cuban
 Yes, Mexican, Mexican American/Chicano
 Yes, Puerto Rican
 Yes, other Hispanic or Latino _____
 No

What race/ethnicity do you consider yourself? Check one or more. Please specify if you indicate "Other." *Optional*

American Indian or Alaska Native

- American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

- Asian Indian
 Cambodian
 Chinese
 Filipino
 Japanese
 Korean
 Laotian
 Thai
 Vietnamese
 Other _____

Black or African American

- Black or African American
 African _____
 Caribbean _____
 Other _____

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

- Guamanian
 Native Hawaiian
 Samoan
 Other _____

White or Caucasian

- White or Caucasian (Includes persons of European [e.g., French, Italian], Middle Eastern [e.g., Iranian, Saudi Arabian], or North African [e.g., Egyptian, Libyan] heritage)