

western oregon university

2010-11 viewbook



● *You're going places.*

from the director

Western Oregon University is many great things. As Oregon's mid-sized university, it's a wonderful blend of small classes and personal connections between students, faculty and staff - along with global opportunities to grow and be challenged. As a graduate of WOU, I am proud of so many things, including the rich tradition (more than 150 years) of placing the needs of students and the community first.

I'm also excited about the future. We are creating more opportunities for students to be active and supported members of our community. The new residence building, Ackerman Hall, opened this fall, and is geared to become the very first LEED* Platinum certified large residence hall in the country. Following that, this winter the new health and wellness center (targeted for LEED Gold) will be open for the entire campus community.

These projects serve to support the WOU spirit and community in creative and personal ways. I'm confident that you will find WOU to be a great balance of size and quality.

Rob Findtner '95
Director
Office of Admissions



**LEED is an internationally recognized green building certification system, developed by the U.S. Green Building Council. It provides third-party verification that a building or community was designed and built using strategies aimed at improving performance across all the metrics that matter most: energy savings, water efficiency, CO2 emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts.*

your journey begins here.

(A cliché? Maybe...but still true.) If you're reading this, it's a good bet that you're wondering which college is right for you. Or trying to figure out your chosen career path. Or feeling the pressure to make the best choice for your future. And you might be wondering if Western is the right school for you.

It's important to remember, however, that college isn't really your final destination - but it is a critical part of it. Finding the right college can make all the difference.

College is a place of discovery, experiences, and learning. And finding the friends, instructors and mentors that will enrich your life. We're here to help you along the way.

A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new. Albert Einstein





welcome to western oregon university

Students and their families consistently describe WOU as a friendly and supportive community that has small classes and a big heart. Our student-to-faculty ratio of 18:1 results in a personalized education that is challenging and meaningful. Our classes are taught by professors who are easy to reach by phone, e-mail and in person.

Students quickly discover how easy it can be to establish connections with faculty who become mentors. With this kind of collaboration, students can take part in our annual Academic Excellence Showcase, regional and national conference presentations or take advantage of study opportunities across the globe.

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academics

Western Oregon University consists of two colleges: Education and Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The College of Education is one of only seven nationally accredited teacher preparation programs in Oregon. Offering both a full-time and part-time program at the undergraduate level, a full spectrum of grade levels and content areas are available. For high school and special education areas, graduate level programs are offered days, evenings and online. In addition to programs in Health and Physical Education, the college also offers the state's only Rehabilitation Counseling graduate program.

At WOU, American Sign Language (ASL) Studies is an interdisciplinary program that analyzes the language and culture of the Deaf in the United States and most of Canada. ASL is a complete, complex language of the Deaf, and the College of Education offers degree programs in both ASL Studies and ASL/English Interpreting.

www.wou.edu/education

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is the largest college at WOU and offers a wide array of undergraduate degree programs and select graduate programs. You are encouraged to explore the opportunities that await you in one of the college's seven academic divisions: business, computer science, creative arts, humanities, natural science and mathematics, psychology and social science .

Within the college a strong and vibrant academic community of students and faculty thrive. Many academic departments have clubs where faculty and students interact and expand their knowledge and collegiality. There are numerous ways for you to have a college experience full of personal growth, intellectual discovery and preparation for your career or pursuit of graduate school.

www.wou.edu/las

block schedules

Entering freshmen can select a set of courses coordinated to provide a smooth transition to the rigor of academic life. One of the main benefits is creating a balanced schedule of classes that fulfill graduation requirements. Blocks are geared toward several academic themes, plus you can add or drop a course easily! Blocks also reduce summer stress caused by trying to select your fall schedule from scratch.



This September, PARADE Magazine announced that Western Oregon University is among the top 20 small state schools in the country, based upon a survey of high school counselors. (WOU is the only Oregon school on the list.) "This state university has small class sizes and exceptional support services for first generation college students and students with disabilities...With division II athletics and great school spirit, Western Oregon has a strong sense of community."



BE SURE TO CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGES!

JOIN THE DISCUSSIONS. ASK QUESTIONS. READ WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING ABOUT LIFE ON THE WESTERN OREGON CAMPUS!

YOU'LL FIND PAGES FOR ADMISSIONS, ATHLETICS (GO WOLVES!) GRADUATE PROGRAMS, THE HAMERSLY LIBRARY, RESIDENCE LIFE, SERVICE LEARNING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT, STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD, THE WESTERN OREGON JOURNAL, AND MORE!



WOU recognized on President Obama's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll

The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll annually recognizes institutions of higher education for their commitment to and achievement in community service. Western Oregon University was recognized in 2009, along with seven other Oregon colleges and universities. President Obama has pledged to make service a central cause of his administration and wishes to commemorate the significant role that higher institutions, their students, staff, and faculty play in helping to solve pressing social problems in the nation's communities.



PARADE



bibiana guerrero: **JUNIOR** • major: **BIOLOGY** • hometown: **GRANTS PASS, ORE.** • career plans: **ON THE ROAD TO GETTING A DEGREE AT THE MOMENT, BABY STEPS** favorite class **SALSA DANCE CLASS** • what makes WOU feel like home:

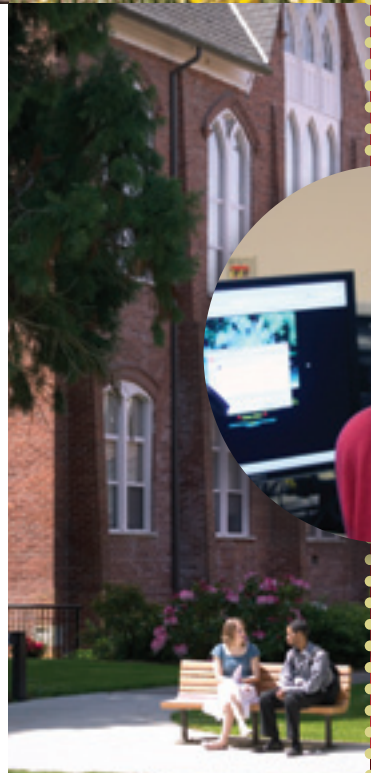
THE CLOSENESS OF FRIENDS THAT I HAVE HERE ON CAMPUS • advice for freshmen:

UTILIZE HELP WHEN YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND THE MATERIAL - TUTORS, PROFESSORS OR EVEN ADVISORS - THEY ALL WANT YOU TO SUCCEED! • what do you appreciate most on campus: **THE TREES! I LOVE**

WALKING TO CLASS IN THE FALL

BECAUSE THE CAMPUS LOOKS BEAUTIFUL

WITH ALL THE CHANGING LEAVES • best food find: **WRAPS IN THE SUMMIT** • best book read at WOU: **MY TEXTBOOK :)**



global perspectives

A picture is worth 1,000 words, but my time studying abroad will last a lifetime. I was able to experience things that I had always dreamed of; while expanding my mind to the endless possibilities that the world has to offer. Being abroad has been an unbelievable experience that has shined light to life outside of America; giving me a new outlook on not only the United States, but also the world.

John Gregory '09
London, England



WOU-China connections: In March 2010, Provost Kent Neely and Neng Yang, director of international students and scholars affairs, visited six universities that have sent, or are sending, students to study at WOU. The trip was a confirmation that the Chinese people are eager to learn English and to get an education at a U.S. university. WOU's size and record of serving international students was particularly important to them. Photo at left: Sheng Du Economics, Trade and Management College of Zhangzhou University. Established in 1993, it is a private institution (with ties to Zhangzhou University, a public institution) in Guilin, Guangxi Province, one of China's most popular tourist cities. To the right of Dr. Neely (center of group) is Mu-Yue Cui, president of the university, and to his right is Dr. Yang. Photo at right: view from hotel balcony, showing the Guilin Mountains that follow the Li River.



Western Oregon University students and alumni span the globe, and this diversity of culture - combined with international points of view - enhance our lives and educational experiences. Whether studying abroad, or coming to the United States for higher educational opportunities, or following your career path beyond our country's borders, we find are part of something bigger than ourselves. And we are infinitely richer for the experience. In 2009, more than 60 countries help make up the larger WOU landscape.

● WOU alumni ● WOU Study Abroad ● International students



areas of study

undergraduate majors, minors & specialty areas

- Aerospace Studies (Air Force ROTC)
- American Sign Language/English Interpreting •
- American Sign Language Studies •
- Anthropology •
- Art •
- Art History
- The Arts •
- Biology •
- Biology Teacher Education •*
- Building Codes
- Business •
- Chemistry •
- Chemistry/Forensic Chemistry •
- Chemistry/Physics: Natural Science •*
- Chicano/a Studies
- Communication Studies •
- Community Services
- Community Health Education •
- Computer Science •
- Computer Science/Mathematics •*
- Contemporary Music •*
- Contemporary Music/Theatre •*
- Criminal Justice •
- Dance •
- Earth History/Biosphere
- Earth Resources
- Earth Science •
- Earth System Science
- Economics •
- Education:
 - Early Childhood Teaching Authorization •*
 - Early Childhood/Elementary Teaching Authorization •*
 - Elementary/Middle Teaching Authorization •*
 - Middle/High School Teaching Authorization •*
- English/Literature •
- English/Linguistics •
- English/Writing •
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Studies
- Exercise Science •
- Film Studies
- Fire Services Administration •
- Forensic Science
- French
- Gender Studies
- Geography •
- Geology
- German Studies •
- German Teacher Education •*
- Geropsychology
- Health
- History •
- Homeland Security/Community Preparedness
- Honors Program ▲
- Humanities •
- Human Biology
- Information Systems •
- Integrated Science Teacher Education •*
- Interdisciplinary Studies •*
- International Studies •
- Language Arts Teacher Education •*
- Latin American Studies
- Legal Studies
- Mathematics •
- Mathematics Teacher Education •*
- Military Science (Army ROTC)
- Music •*
- Nursing (OHSU degree) •
- Philosophy •
- Physical Education
- Physical Education Teacher Education •*
- Physics
- Planning
- Political Science •
- Pre-professional programs ▲
- Psychology •
- Public Policy and Administration •
- School Health Education •*
- Social Science •
- Social Science Teacher Education •*
- Sociology •
- Spanish •
- Spanish Teacher Education •*
- Special Education/Rehabilitation Counseling
- Sport Management
- Sports Leadership
- Studio Art
- Studio/Art History
- Theatre Arts •

• major * minor not required ▲ specialty areas and programs



pre-professional programs

- Dental Hygiene
- Dentistry and Medicine
- Law
- Medical Technology-Clinical Lab Science
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Physician Assistant
- Physical Therapy
- Podiatry
- Veterinary Medicine

master's degrees

- M.A. in Criminal Justice
- M.A. in History
- M.A. in Teaching: Initial Licensure
- M.A. in Teaching: Non Licensure
- M. of Music in Contemporary Music
- M.S. in Education
- M.S. in Education: Information Technology
- M.S. in Management of Information Systems



hopie white: JUNIOR • major: COMMUNICATION STUDIES • minor: THEATRE ARTS • hometown: PORTLAND, ORE. • career plans: GRADUATE WITH MY B.A. AND POSSIBLY RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR MY MASTERS AND BECOME A COMMUNICATIONS AND

THEATRE ARTS PROFESSOR, TEACHING ANY COURSE FOR THOSE

CLASSES • favorite class:

INTERPERSONAL COMMUNI-

CATIONS • what makes WOU feel like home:

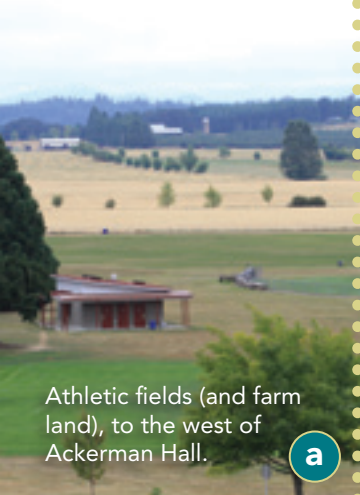
THE FRIENDLY PROFESSORS AND GREAT COMMUNITY

• who do you admire most on campus? ERIC

BRUCE (HEALTH/P.E. INSTRUCTOR) AND DON BODERMAN (SEP

DIRECTOR) • best book read at

WOU: "ZADIG" BY VOLTAIRE • best way to hopie's heart: BUY ME GUSHERS AND I WILL LOVE YOU FOREVER.



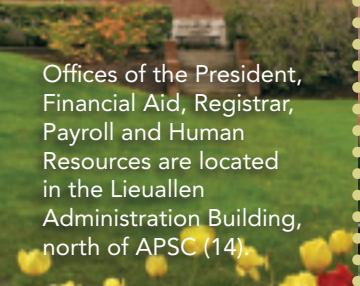
Athletic fields (and farm land), to the west of Ackerman Hall.

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Heritage Hall
A coeducational freshmen hall housing 400 men and women - about 34 students live in each of the 12 communities.

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Offices of the President, Financial Aid, Registrar, Payroll and Human Resources are located in the Lieuallen Administration Building, north of APSC (14).

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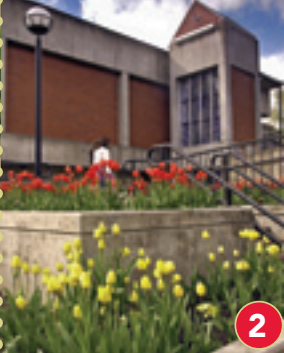
Hamersly Library
Here you'll find the books, media and electronic resources you need to stay ahead of the classwork.

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Arbor Park
This residence hall houses 210 students in private four bedroom/two bathroom units, complete with full kitchens.

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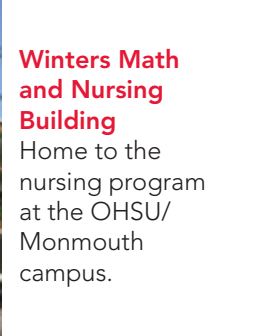
Valsetz Dining Hall
Surrounded by the residence halls, you'll find a variety of great food, a la carte style. You pay only for what you want.

2



Winters Math and Nursing Building
Home to the nursing program at the OHSU/ Monmouth campus.

3



New health & wellness center
A sustainable addition to campus, this 73,000 sq. ft. facility includes a two-court gymnasium, two racquetball courts, weight training area, cardio-vascular area, rock climbing wall, indoor swimming pool, classrooms, locker rooms and more. Opens winter term 2011.

5

The best way to experience Western is to take a campus tour. Here's a quick look at a few of the places you'll want to know about.



Ackerman Hall

This sustainable living/learning facility will house more than 300 students and features classrooms, study spaces and energy efficient functionalities. Opened for students this fall!



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6

New P.E.
Watch the Wolves in action on the basketball/volleyball court, or take part in a yoga, karate or kickboxing class.



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McArthur Field
Cheer on the Wolves at home! The track that surrounds the football field features a world-class surface, such as those used during the Seoul Olympic Games.

Werner University Center
The hub of activity on campus, where the 6,150 students of WOU circulate, eat, meet, and get the full flavor of campus life.

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College of Education
Classes and faculty offices for the College of Education are right here. It's also home to the ASL/English Interpreting programs.



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Campbell Hall
The oldest campus building; home to art studios, classrooms and the Cannon Gallery of Art.

Instuctional Technology Center
Home to the computer science division, classrooms and faculty offices.

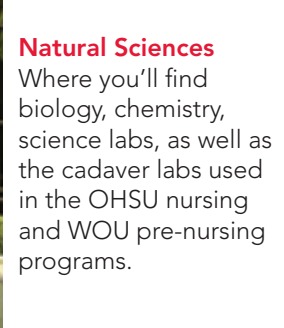


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"Rumors," Summer 2010



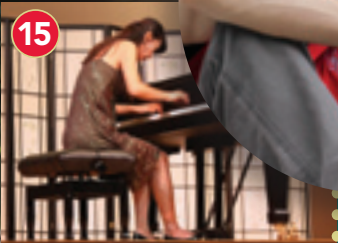
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Natural Sciences
Where you'll find biology, chemistry, science labs, as well as the cadaver labs used in the OHSU nursing and WOU pre-nursing programs.

Academic Programs and Support
Home to Admissions, Academic Advising and Learning Center, Multicultural Student Services and Programs, Study Abroad, Disability Services, Honors Program and more.

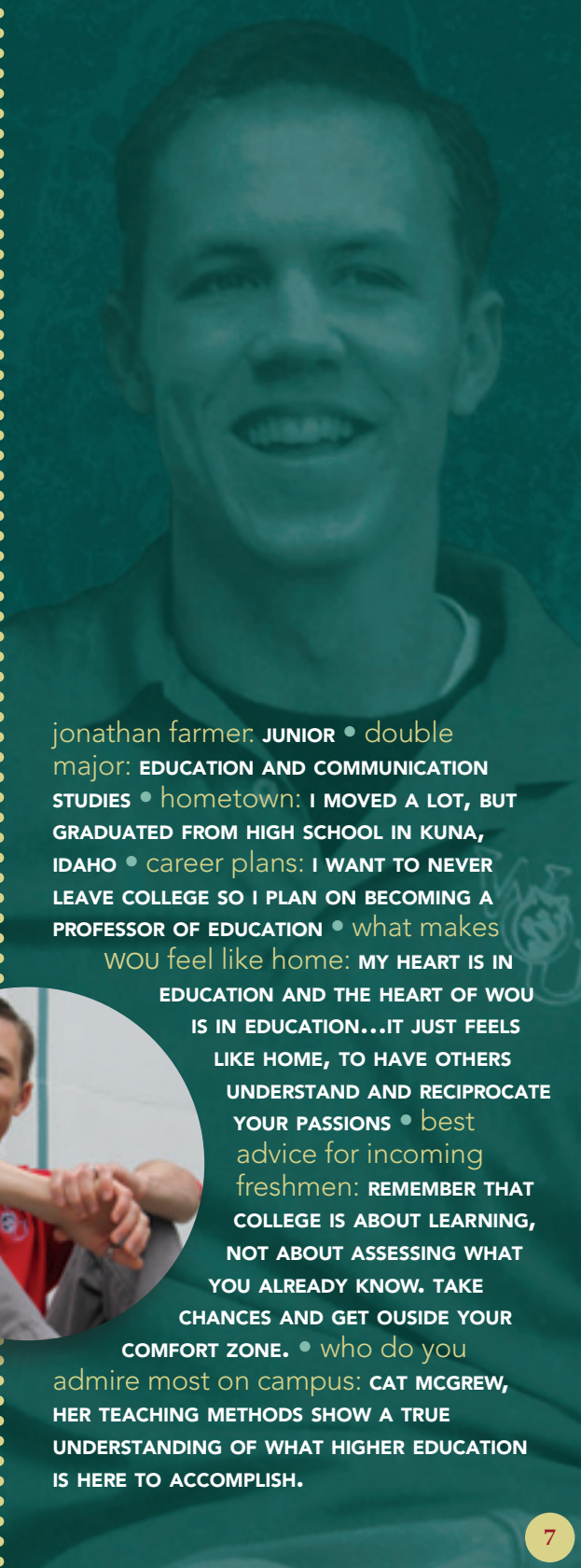


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Smith Music Hall
Includes rehearsal and practice rooms, a piano lab, electronic music lab digital-music production studio and 200-seat recital hall.



jonathan farmer. JUNIOR • double major: EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES • hometown: I MOVED A LOT, BUT GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL IN KUNA, IDAHO • career plans: I WANT TO NEVER LEAVE COLLEGE SO I PLAN ON BECOMING A PROFESSOR OF EDUCATION • what makes WOU feel like home: MY HEART IS IN EDUCATION AND THE HEART OF WOU IS IN EDUCATION...IT JUST FEELS LIKE HOME, TO HAVE OTHERS UNDERSTAND AND RECIPROCATATE YOUR PASSIONS • best advice for incoming freshmen: REMEMBER THAT COLLEGE IS ABOUT LEARNING, NOT ABOUT ASSESSING WHAT YOU ALREADY KNOW. TAKE CHANCES AND GET OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE. • who do you admire most on campus: CAT MCGREW, HER TEACHING METHODS SHOW A TRUE UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT HIGHER EDUCATION IS HERE TO ACCOMPLISH.

housing & dining

You'll find more than a dorm room at Western. Whether you're coming to campus from across town or across the country, you'll become part of a community family away from home. Studies show (as well as exam scores!) that living on campus results in higher GPAs, successful graduation rate and making friendships that can last a lifetime. Our residence halls are all within walking distance of classes, cafes and restaurants, and most importantly, coffee shops.

There are plenty of room and board options, as well as living and learning opportunities that will round out your classroom experiences. The success of on-campus students is the primary reason Western values its live-in requirement for freshmen. Single freshmen without dependents and who enter WOU within one year of high school graduation are required to spend their first year in university-operated housing.

ackerman hall ♦ barnum hall ♦ butler hall ♦ heritage hall ♦ landers hall ♦ arbor park ♦ alderview townhouses

Ackerman Hall

Trees that were removed – either downed in the severe storm of 2008 or for new construction – have been repurposed in several ways: as stump tables, wall paneling in the lobby, transaction tables for the University Housing office, paneling in the main stairwell, and a butcher block table in the fourth floor kitchen.



Many returning and transferring students also choose to live on campus; for convenience, friendships, services and many a wide variety free activities and campus events.

WOU offers five different housing options. Ackerman Hall, the most environmentally friendly residence hall in the nation, houses more than 300 students in various themed communities. In Landers Hall, there are small communities of 18 people. Heritage Hall has larger groupings of 32, and Barnum and Gentle Halls have three- to four-person rooms with adjoining bathrooms (except Gentle Hall). No matter where you choose to live, every room comes with phone, internet and cable access. (Free wireless access is available to all WOU students!) You're welcome to decorate and make the room yours. (Be sure to fill out the roommate questionnaire so we can find a good match for you!) After your freshman year, there are options which include a suite with private bathroom or a four-person apartment with full kitchen.

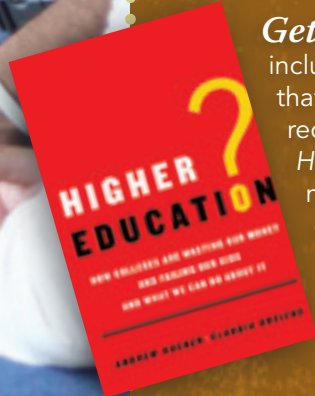
www.wou.edu/housing

"We discovered an educational jewel, that did its job with utter seriousness and dedication."

Andrew Hacker and Claudia Dreifus

Getting it right: WOU was included in a top ten list of universities that are "doing things right" in the recent book *Higher Education?*

How Colleges Are Wasting Our Money and Failing Our Kids. The authors detail many of WOU's strengths and affirm the university as a positive example of higher education in the nation. Others mentioned include the University of Mississippi, University of Notre Dame, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Arizona State University. "At Western, the name of the game is making a good education available to those who never could access it before. [The] administrators view themselves as facilitators of social mobility, costs are kept at a minimum. At Western...all energy is focused on one thing: educating the undergraduates.



Butler and Gentle Halls



Alderview Townhouses





valsetz food court

carb centre

Bagels, bread, cereal, frozen yogurt, and a beverage section that includes soda, juices, bottled drinks, milk, coffee, tea, instant chai, and self-serve espresso

centre stage

Grilled items cooked to order; upscale and ethnic menu options

deli & soup du jour

Deli sandwiches and a daily selection of soups

homestyle

Traditional and ethnic choices like roast turkey, meat loaf, mashed potatoes, and enchiladas

salad bar

Fresh selections daily, priced by the pound

valsetz baking co.

Pastries, desserts and pizza

wok 'n waffle

Make your own Belgian waffles or stir-fry



Typical daily food court menu:

breakfast

French toast, Belgian waffle bar, eggs cooked to order, bacon, oatmeal, ham, sausage, cinnamon rolls, and more

lunch

Alfredo chicken pizza, chicken stir-fry, French dip with au jus, tuna melt on sourdough, WOU burger, Mediterranean chicken wrap, roasted vegetable wrap, minestrone tortellini soup, halibut sandwich, salad bar, clam chowder

dinner

Bourbon Street steak with jo jo's, lemon chicken with alfredo pasta, chicken fajitas, barbecue beef brisket, roasted Parmesan potatoes, Tex-Mex cornbread, Hawaiian burgers, pizza, peanut butter pie, salad bar, Italian-style wedding soup, vegetarian cauliflower and cheddar soup



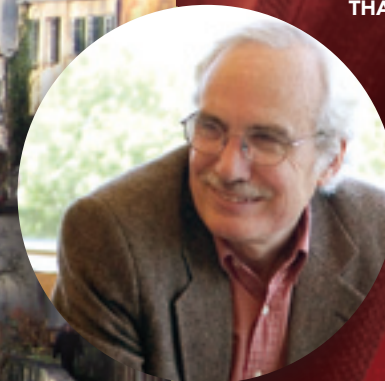
Tübingen, Germany

go international

Transform your life and your future through study abroad, service learning, or an international internship. Western offers international opportunities in nearly 100 locations around the world. Learn another language, increase your culture competence, enhance your problem solving and critical thinking skills, and make your résumé stand out to future employers.

www.wou.edu/studyabroad

Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined. Henry David Thoreau



john rector: **PROFESSOR OF HISTORY** • what do you enjoy about teaching at WOU: **I GET TO TEACH A WIDE VARIETY OF COURSES IN MY SPECIALTY, LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY. I LIKE THE PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS THAT WOU OFFERS.** • faculty research: **CURRENTLY THE SOCIAL SCIENCE FACULTY ENCOURAGES OUR STUDENTS TO STUDY ABROAD AND DO INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS. THE FACULTY IS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN RESEARCH IN MEXICO, CANADA, CHILE, SPAIN, ITALY, AUSTRIA, GREAT BRITAIN, THE NETHERLANDS, EASTERN EUROPE, GHANA, SOUTH AFRICA, INDIA, TAIWAN, AND CHINA. THIS DIVERSITY OF INTERNATIONAL INTERESTS MAKES CONVERSATIONS A VALUABLE PART OF WESTERN'S INTELLECTUAL CULTURE.**

admission facts

- **When to apply:** High school students can apply beginning September 1 of their senior year. Students who submit a completed file by Feb. 11, 2011 will receive priority scholarship consideration. Apply online at www.wou.edu/admissions or use the application mailed with the WOU viewbook.
- **Notification:** We will respond to you within three weeks after receiving your application.
- **What you need:** Application for admission, a list of your senior year courses, application fee, official transcripts from all high schools and colleges attended, ACT or SAT test scores.
- **Final transcripts:** Send a final high school transcript, which shows your graduation date.
- **Questions:** Contact an admissions counselor. Call toll-free 1-877-877-1593 (ext. 1), or send an e-mail to wolfgram@wou.edu.

financial aid

Like 67 percent of WOU students, you too can achieve your educational goals with the assistance of financial aid. If you need help funding your college experience, WOU offers several ways to help. Grants, loans and campus employment are some of the options available, depending on your individual need. To be considered for federal aid, complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.gov each year. Apply by the priority date of March 1 to be considered for the maximum number of aid programs available.

student inquiry web module

Access your WOU financial aid file data online with your social security number and WOU-assigned financial aid password. For information on securing a password, contact the Financial Aid Office at 503-838-8475.

www.wou.edu/financialaid

admissions

■ Application fee: \$50 ■ SAT school code: 4585 ■ ACT school code: 3480

freshman requirements

1. Graduate from a standard or accredited high school.
2. Cumulative 2.75 GPA. Alternative: applicants with a cumulative GPA between 2.50 and 2.74 are eligible for admission with a composite score of 21 on the ACT or combined score of 1,000 on the Critical Reading and Mathematics sections of the SAT Reasoning Exam.
3. Submit ACT or SAT Reasoning Exam scores which include a standardized writing examination. Applicants with a 2.75 cumulative GPA who graduated prior to 2008 are exempt from this requirement.
4. Complete 14 units of college preparatory work with a C- or higher: 4 units/years English, 3 units/years math (including Algebra II or higher), 2 units/years science, 3 units/years social studies, 2 units/years of the same foreign language.*
5. Graduates of unaccredited high schools, including students who are home-schooled, must:
 - a. Receive a 21 on the ACT or a minimum combined score of 1,000 on the Critical Reading and Mathematics sections of the SAT Reasoning Exam.
 - b. Receive an average of 470 on two subject tests (math level I or II; and a second test of your choice) for a minimum combined score of 940 on the SAT Subject Test.
 - c. Meet the foreign language requirement.*
6. Students who did not graduate from high school must:
 - a. Receive a minimum score of 410 on each of the five GED tests.
 - b. Receive an average score of 550 for the five tests.
 - c. Meet the foreign language requirement, if graduating class would have been 1997 or later.*

2010-11 annual cost of attendance (estimated 15 credits per term)

resident

Tuition & fees	\$7,410
Books & supplies	\$1,200
Room & board	\$8,439
Transportation/personal	\$2,835
Total	\$19,884

* If you do not have two years of the same foreign language in high school, you must take two quarters of college-level foreign language at WOU.

transfer requirements

1. Cumulative 2.25 grade point average or higher in college-level work attempted and be in good standing at all prior institutions attended.
2. 36 transferable quarter hours or 24 semester hours completed at the time of application.
3. 2011 high school graduates with college credit are required to follow freshman application procedures and meet freshman admission requirements regardless of whether they meet the transfer student requirements.

If you have fewer than 36 quarter hours or 24 semester hours completed, you will need to meet freshman requirements. Students who graduated from high school after 1996 must meet the foreign language requirement. Send your high school transcript if you meet this requirement. If not, you will be required to take two quarters of college-level foreign language before transferring or after admission.

www.wou.edu/admissions

The Western Tuition Promise

It's a fact of life: nearly every college student experiences tuition increases from five to ten percent each year. The Western Tuition Promise is our innovative commitment to help students and families more effectively afford the cost of their education. **This promise guarantees that undergraduate students enrolling fall term 2011 will pay the same tuition rate for the four years they should take to graduate.** Western Oregon University is the only public university in the west to offer this guarantee.



international admissions

2010-11 annual cost of attendance

(estimated at 15 credits per term)

non-resident

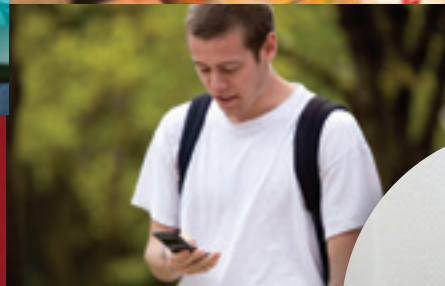
Tuition & fees	\$18,951
Books & supplies	\$1,200
Room & board	\$8,439
Transportation/personal	\$2,835
Total	\$31,425

Applications for international students are available online at:

www.wou.edu/internationalapp,
or by writing to:

International Students and Scholars
Western Oregon University
345 N. Monmouth Ave.
Monmouth, OR 97361 USA

www.wou.edu/international



crystal qian hu: **SENIOR** • major: **ART** •
hometown: **SHANGHAI, CHINA** • career
plans: **BECOME A DESIGNER, AND FIND
WORK EITHER WITH A COMPANY OR THE
GOVERNMENT; THEN MAYBE TWO YEARS**

LATER GET MY MASTER'S DEGREE

- favorite class: **A 398 PRODUCTION: GALLERY EXHIBITION** • what makes WOU feel like home: **FRIENDS**
- best advice for incoming freshmen: **FIND OUT WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN AND GET INVOLVED IN CAMPUS** •

who do you admire most on

campus: **JEANNE DEANE (ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAM ASSISTANT, SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION)** • best food find: **CLAM CHOWDER** • best book read at WOU: **"THE BLIND SIDE" BY MICHAEL LEWIS**

western undergraduate exchange (wue)

Residents of any one of the following 14 states (Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming) qualify to receive a substantial reduction in non-resident tuition upon admission.

Note: ASL/English Interpreting and ASL Studies are exempt from the WUE program.

www.wou.edu/wue

2010-11 annual cost of attendance

(estimated at 15 credits per term)

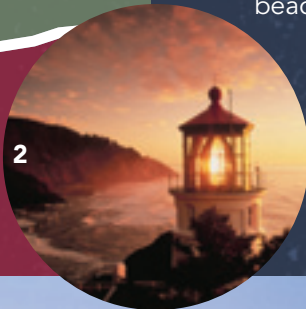
wue students

Tuition & fees	\$9,447
Books & supplies	\$1,200
Room & board	\$8,439
Transportation/personal	\$2,835
Total	\$21,921

left coast living

When you're here, take some time to visit the local area. Pubs, restaurants, pizza and sub shops, and convenience stores are all within walking distance of campus. And when you feel the need to put down the books, explore the greater Willamette Valley. Here are a few places to consider when you need to get away for a few hours (or for the weekend!):

1. **Take in the big city.** Downtown Portland is just over an hour north on Interstate 5; Mt. Hood is visible in the distance.
2. **Play in the ocean.** (But you'll need a wetsuit if you're *really* serious about it.) The Oregon coastline has hundreds of miles of beaches and numerous camping spots.
3. **Lobby with a legislator.** (Or shake hands with one anyway...) The state capitol, Salem, is about 20 miles from campus.
4. **Take a hike.** Multnomah Falls is located about 30 miles east of Portland. Silver Falls National Park, just 30 minutes east of Salem features ten waterfalls and miles of hiking and biking trails.
5. **Brave the rapids.** Go white water rafting on the Clackamas River, just 30 minutes south of Portland. Oregon's spectacular rivers are definitely worth exploring.
6. **Play in the powder.** Snowboarding is as near as the Cascades (Mt. Hood is less than two hours away).



Yes, it's true - it rains in Oregon. Average rainfall is about five inches a month in the winter, but less than an inch during the summer. Fortunately, the deep winter snows and cool spring weather help preserve the mountain snowpack in the Pacific Northwest, making possible year-round skiing and snowboarding.

How far from Monmouth to...?

	miles	km
Salem, Ore.	15	24
Lincoln City, Ore.	54	87
Portland, Ore.	63	101
Seattle, Wash.	235	378
Vancouver, B.C.	319	513
Sacramento, Calif.	538	868
Los Angeles, Calif.	920	1,480
New York, NY	2,955	4,756
Tokyo, Japan	4,897	7,881
London, United Kingdom	4,971	7,999
Paris, France	5,181	8,338
Tübingen, Germany	5,251	8,647
Taipei, Taiwan	6,173	9,934
Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	6,908	11,117
Kathmandu, Nepal	7,135	11,483
Sydney, Australia	7,724	12,431
Cape Town, South Africa	10,298	16,573

learning outside the classroom

Our professors encourage out-of-classroom learning. The faculty is actively engaged in mentoring undergraduate students and providing them with learning opportunities that extend beyond the traditional classroom. The campus-wide program for Undergraduate Research Experiences focuses on ways to foster, enhance, and increase undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative activity by encouraging active collaboration between students and faculty. Being involved in research gives students invaluable skills and experiences making them better prepared for graduate school and employment. One of the most research visible events is the annual WOU Academic Excellence Showcase where over 300 students give presentations, posters, and/or performances. Faculty typically cancel classes that day so students are able to attend the events and celebrate the academic accomplishments of their peers.

www.wou.edu/showcase

academic advising & learning center

Not sure yet about your major? Your mom wants you to be a doctor, your dad wants you to be a teacher. You'd like to be an actor, or maybe an engineer, or... just figure it out while you're here. Take your time - explore your options. And if you realize you're not going in the right direction for you, don't worry! We're here to help you re-assess, re-direct and find a different route to achieve your new goals.

The WOU Academic Advising and Learning Center can play a key role in your academic success. Students that communicate with their advisors each quarter experience much greater success in staying on track - and graduating in a timely manner. Meet with your advisor at least once a term to discuss your academic and career goals, learn about internships, schedule your required courses, or design an academic plan that suits your goals. Evaluate your study skills and receive free individual or group academic tutoring from your peers. You'll develop the skills you need to become a confident and successful college student.

www.wou.edu/advising

WOU advisors recognized nationally for third consecutive year

WOU is an active member of the National Academic Advising Association and has been recognized for its excellence again. In 2008, WOU received three out of the five awards given for our region (Alaska, the Yukon Territories, British Columbia, Alberta, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon). In 2008, NACADA honored Dr. Michael LeMaster, an assistant professor of biology, as an Outstanding Faculty Advisor, and both Tamie Saffell (assistant director of AALC) and Bobbi Weber (an advisor in AALC) received recognition as Outstanding Academic Advisors.

Music professor Dr. Kevin Walczyk received the Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Faculty Advisor in 2009.

In 2010, Dr. Marita Cardinal was awarded a Certificate of Merit in the faculty academic advising category and Karen Sullivan-Vance, director of the Academic Advising and Learning Center was selected as an Outstanding Advising Award Winner. "At Western, students come first," Karen said. "The faculty are committed to teaching, and to teaching students. That's the advantage of being at a smaller institution, students matter and you know their names."



writing center

Prepare to become an effective writer during your college career: lab reports in biology, research reviews in psychology, grant proposals in health, play reviews in theatre arts, memos in business, and the list goes on. To help with the transition, the Writing Center is designed to promote your on-going academic and professional development as a writer. Free for all students, we help you identify your writing strengths and overcome your writing challenges, while ensuring you create your best written work—every paper, every class, every time.

www.wou.edu/writingcenter

honors program

The WOU Honors Program is a small community of students and faculty who work in a highly collaborative manner in small classes and with a high degree of intellectual challenge. The program focuses on philosophic, literary, artistic, and scientific traditions during the first two years of study, progresses through special seminars in the junior year, and culminates in an original senior thesis by each student. Thesis projects have ranged from scientific experiments and manuals to original scholarship and creative and artistic work.

www.wou.edu/provost/honors



biraj bishit: **SOPHOMORE** • major: **ECONOMICS** • hometown: **KATHMANDU, NEPAL** • career plans: **GO TO GRADUATE SCHOOL TO STUDY ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS** • favorite class: **LOGIC (PHL 103), LOVED THIS CLASS** • what makes WOU feel like home? **IT' S SMALL AND FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT** • best advice for incoming freshmen: **MAKE MOST OF ALL THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT COME YOUR WAY AT WESTERN** • who do you admire most on campus? **FRIENDS AND COWORKERS** • best food find: **HAS TO BE YANGS AND BURRITO TRACK** • best book read at WOU: **"FREAKONOMICS" BY STEVEN LEVITT AND STEPHEN DUBNER**



cannon gallery of art

The Dan and Gail Cannon Gallery of Art is located in the heart of campus in Campbell Hall. Thematic and media-specific exhibits by regional and nationally acclaimed artists are included in each annual schedule. In the spring, the annual juried student exhibition showcases



the high caliber of student work produced in our art department during the year.

hamersly library exhibitions

The goal of the exhibit program at the Wayne and Lynn Hamersly Library is to present visually and intellectually engaging exhibits that highlight topics, disciplines, and programs and activities across campus. The exhibits are designed to appeal to the interests of the WOU community and the general public.

smith fine arts series

World-class entertainment comes to campus. The series also provides master classes and workshops for college students, performances and discussions for students of local elementary and secondary schools, and lectures and demonstrations for the general public. The 2010-11 season features Cirque Mechanics, the Travelin' McCourys, Yamandu Costa,



Ensemble Gallelei, and Allen Toussant with the American Metropole Orchestra.



creative and performing arts

The visual and performing arts not only provide an avenue for self-expression, they have the "capacity to expand students' understanding of themselves, their world, and their ways of constructing personal meaning...In fact, it is virtually impossible for any of us to remain in a passive, 'knowledge-recall' state of being when we are authentically engaged in creating visual products or participating in meaningful performance-based artistic activities."

John L. Brown, *Artsedge*, The Kennedy Center

Arts education at Western not only enhances your understanding of the world around you, but also broadens your perspective. Study of the arts provides the creativity to express yourself, and challenges your intellect. The arts communicate in ways that teach literacy and enhance our lives.



WOU named top in nation for the smallest white-Hispanic graduation rate gap

The Education Trust ranked Western Oregon University (WOU) first in the nation for the smallest white-Hispanic gap in graduation rates among public colleges and universities. The gap was listed as 5.9 percent in the report released August 9. The report commends WOU's substantial improvement in graduation rates among the Latino population, stating, "this improvement is the result of deliberate, purposeful work by the university. Western Oregon's success in improving graduation rates and eliminating gaps can serve as an inspiration."

scholarships

Most Western scholarships are distributed over multiple years and are awarded to new freshmen and transfer students based on academic achievement data from the admissions application. Freshman applicants with a 3.4 GPA or above and a combined score of 1,000 on the Critical Reading and Mathematics sections of the SAT, or a composite score of 21 on the ACT, will be most competitive for scholarships. Transfer students should have a transferable GPA of 3.5 or higher. Go online for the complete list of scholarship opportunities.

The Diversity Commitment Award and departmental scholarships may require separate applications and/or requirements. Contact the Financial Aid Office for applications. Western awards athletic scholarships within NCAA II guidelines. For more information, contact the head coach of the sport. The Oregon Student Assistance Commission awards scholarships to Oregon residents, apply at www.osac.state.or.us.

www.wou.edu/scholarships



ASL/English interpreting program receives full accreditation

The Commission on Collegiate Interpreter Education awarded full accreditation to Western's American Sign Language/English interpreting program through March 31, 2020. WOU's program is one of only a handful of undergraduate programs in ASL studies in the nation.



multicultural student services

WOU's Multicultural Student Services and Programs (MSSP) supports students with guidance, educational resources, and academic and career advising. MSSP also advises the Multicultural Student Union (MSU) which holds weekly meetings, discussions, gatherings, and retreats. The MSU sponsors numerous cultural events throughout the year. Everyone is encouraged to participate and learn about new cultures.

msu@wou.edu
mecha@wou.edu



student enrichment program

You have the dreams ... the drive ... the desire. Let us give you the personal support and the tools to navigate your journey to academic success. The Student Enrichment Program provides personal, academic, and career advising and support to first-generation college students, individuals who have documented disabilities, and/or students who meet federal financial eligibility requirements. Each student in the program works with one of our advisors to create and follow a personalized academic success plan, which spans from freshman year to graduation.

www.wou.edu/sep

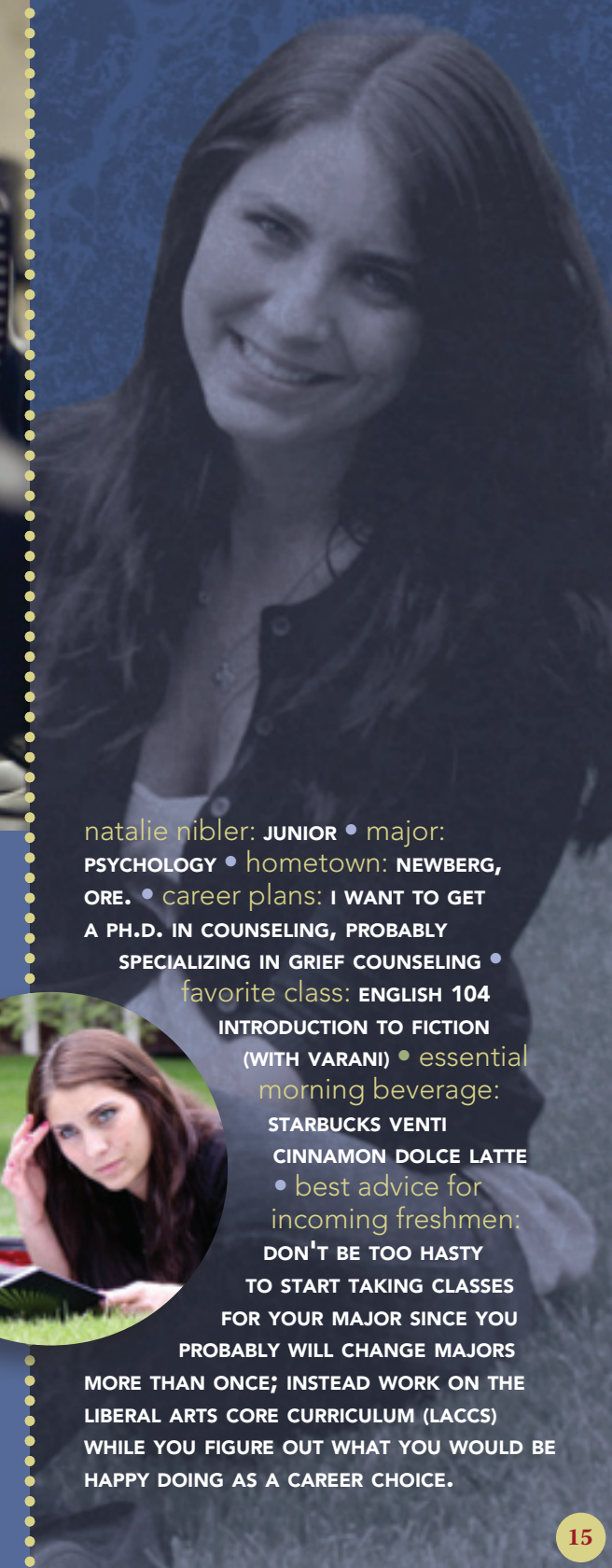
service learning and career development

The Service Learning and Career Development Office connects students with the community, workforce, and world through experiential learning. Office resources help students build résumés, find internships, apply for graduate school, conduct informational interviews, network with recruiters, search for employment, and learn proper interview and business etiquette.

Students can also volunteer through student-run alternative break programs that send students across the country and the around world, from Costa Rica to Africa.

Students can access career assessment tools, job listings, internships, volunteer organizations, and other service- and career-related links and tools.

www.wou.edu/careerservices



natalie nibler: JUNIOR • major: PSYCHOLOGY • hometown: NEWBERG, ORE. • career plans: I WANT TO GET A PH.D. IN COUNSELING, PROBABLY

SPECIALIZING IN GRIEF COUNSELING • favorite class: ENGLISH 104

INTRODUCTION TO FICTION

(WITH VARANI) • essential morning beverage:

STARBUCKS VENTI

CINNAMON DOLCE LATTE

• best advice for incoming freshmen:

DON'T BE TOO HASTY

TO START TAKING CLASSES

FOR YOUR MAJOR SINCE YOU

PROBABLY WILL CHANGE MAJORS

MORE THAN ONCE; INSTEAD WORK ON THE

LIBERAL ARTS CORE CURRICULUM (LACCS)

WHILE YOU FIGURE OUT WHAT YOU WOULD BE

HAPPY DOING AS A CAREER CHOICE.





Western is Oregon's only NCAA Division II program, competing in varsity sports as a member of the Great Northwest Athletic Conference. WOU students attend all games free of charge.

Wolves' baseball: 10 consecutive conference championships

Men's track and field team won their third consecutive GNAC indoor championship in 2010.



Club sports

Competition. Instruction. Recreation!

WOU offers a variety of club sports that offer a level of competition that is above intramural sports, but less than the NCAA intercollegiate sports offered at WOU. These are student run organizations within Associated Students of Western Oregon University (ASWOU) and are an excellent way to get involved. Students of all ability levels, from expert to beginner are encouraged to join. If you're looking to experience being part of a team, or participate in the development of a sport, then club sports are for you. We offer individuals the opportunity to compete, learn new skills and meet others. They also provide a rewarding experience through the organization of tournaments, clinics and local competition.

Current club sports include:

Martials Arts	Men's Soccer
Men's Lacrosse	Swimming
Women's Lacrosse	Ultimate Frisbee
Men's Rugby	Women's Water Polo
Women's Rugby	Wrestling

www.wou.edu/student/campusrec

The Western Oregon Men's Rugby Football Club has grown to become one of the most competitive DII Collegiate teams in the Northwest, and is part of the Pacific Northwest Rugby Football Union. The club competed in the national championships in 2009.



Opening winter term 2011: our new health and wellness center

WOU students voted overwhelmingly to approve a new environmentally sustainable recreation center. The project includes a renovation to the Old P.E. building, featuring HVAC and seismic upgrades, renovation of the space occupied by the football program, an additional 2,800 square feet of meeting space, renovation to the pool and an added spa.

WOU's Wolverton Memorial Pool was named the number one university water fitness program in the "Top National Aquatic Programs" in 2010. Sponsored by the U.S. Water Fitness Association.



karie mize: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, TEACHER EDUCATION: ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL) • teaching emphasis: INSTRUCT STUDENTS TO BECOME TEACHERS OF BILINGUAL STUDENTS • other activities: MOVIMIENTO ESTUDIANTIL CHICANO DE AZTLÁN (M.E.CH.A.), REGIONALLY RECOGNIZED PRO-LATINO STUDENT ORGANIZATION, AND TEACHES CLASSES ABOUT EDUCATING MEXICAN CHILDREN AS PART OF THE STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM FOR EDUCATORS. • advice for students: "RECOGNIZE THE HONOR AND CHALLENGES OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU ARE THE FIRST PERSON IN YOUR FAMILY TO GO TO COLLEGE. I AM CONTINUALLY INSPIRED AND AWED BY THE ACTIVISM, KNOWLEDGE AND WILLINGNESS TO LEARN DEMONSTRATED BY MY STUDENTS."

WOU quick facts (2010-11)

- 6,150** total enrollment estimate
- 45** number of undegraduate majors
- 18:1** student/faculty ratio
- 51** percentage of students first in their family to attend college
- 1856** year WOU founded by Oregon Trail pioneers
- 3.26** average high school gpa
- 67** percent of students receive financial aid
- 180** number of full-time faculty
- 26** average class size
- 100** percentage of academic classes taught by professors, not teaching assistants

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