



West Chester UNIVERSITY



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Welcome to the hardest working, fastest moving, most amazing four years of your life.



You've got the freedom to set your own schedule ... the opportunity to meet people from around the world and around the corner ... your passport to travel anywhere ... and the knowledge that the best is yet to come.

If you're ready, your journey begins right here as a
West Chester University Golden Ram.

At **West Chester University**, our academic programs are at the center of what we do and who we are. We have passionate faculty, state of the art classroom spaces, and more than **90 majors** — so even if you enter undeclared, there's plenty to explore!

Accounting BS (Pre-Business)	English BSED – Literature	Language and Cultures: Spanish
Anthropology BA	English BSED – Writings	Languages and Cultures: French (Elective K-12 Certification)
Art (Studio) BFA	Environmental Health BS	Languages and Cultures: German (Elective K-12 Certification)
Athletic Training (See Health Science: Sports Medicine Studies BS)	Exercise Science BS	Languages and Cultures: Russian (Elective K-12 Certification)
Biology – Cell and Molecular BS	Exercise Science: Pre-Chiropractic BS	Languages and Cultures: Spanish (Elective K-12 Certification)
Biology – Ecology and Conservation BS	Exercise Science: Pre-Occupational Therapy BS	Liberal Studies Arts and Sciences BA (transfers only)
Biology – Integrative Biology BS	Exercise Science: Pre-Physical Therapy BS	Liberal Studies Science and Mathematics BS (transfers only)
Biology – Marine Science BS	Forensic and Toxicological Chemistry BS	Liberal Studies: Professional Studies BS (transfers only)
Biology – Medical Technology BS	Geography BA	Management BS (Pre-Business)
Biology – Microbiology BS	Geography BA (Elective Social Studies Certification)	Marketing BS (Pre-Business)
Biology BSED	Geoscience – Earth Systems BS	Mathematics BA
Chemistry BS	Geoscience – Geology BS	Mathematics: Actuarial Science BS
Chemistry BSED	Graphic and Interactive Design BFA	Mathematics: Computational Mathematics BS
Chemistry-Biology BS	Health and Physical Education K-12 BS	Mathematics: Industrial Mathematics BS
Communication Studies BA	Health Science: General BS (transfers only)	
Communication Sciences and Disorders BA	Health Science: General – Sports Medicine Studies BS	
Computer Science BS	Health Science: Respiratory Care BS	
Criminal Justice BS	History BA	
Early Grades Preparation PK-4/BSED	History BA (Elective Social Studies Certification)	
Early Grades Preparation PK-4/Special Education PK-8/BSED	International Business BS (Pre-Business)	
Earth-Space Science BSED	Language and Cultures: French	
Economics/Finance (Pre-Business)	Language and Cultures: German	
English BA – Literature	Languages and Cultures: Russian	
English BA – Writings		

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 Mathematics: Mathematics BS

 Mathematics: Mathematical Finance BS

 Mathematics: Statistics BS

 Mathematics BSED

 Middle Grades Preparation 4-8/BSED

 Middle Grades Preparation
 4-8/Special Education PK-8/BSED

 Music Education BM

 Music with Elective Studies in an Outside Field BM

 Music Performance BM

 Music Theory and Composition BM

 Nursing BSN

 Nursing RN to BSN (transfers only)

 Nursing Advance 2 BSN (transfers only)

 Nutrition and Dietetics

 Pharmaceutical Product Development BS

 Philosophy BA

 Philosophy: Religious Studies BS

 Physics BS

 Physics – Engineering BS (freshman only)

 Physics BSED

Political Science – Applied Public Policy BA

 Political Science – Government and Politics BA

 Political Science – International Relations BA

 Political Science (Elective Social Studies
 Certification) BA

 Pre-Medical Program

 Psychology BA

 Public Health – Health Promotion BS

 Special Education Grades 7-12/BSED

 Social Work BSW

 Sociology BA

 Theatre Arts – Performance BA

 Theatre Arts – Musical Theatre BA

 Theatre Arts – Design, Technology and
 Management BA

 Undeclared

 Urban and Environmental Planning BS

 Women's and Gender Studies BA



Ann

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Year of Graduation: 2016

Major: Chemistry and Biochemistry

Minor: Physics

Hometown: Downingtown, PA

Ann always loved math and science, and when she got to WCU, she put her interests together as a chemistry major. Ann was a member of the Alchemists Club and the Society of Physics Students, and she was inducted into the Physics Honor Society. Thanks to her involvement on campus, she built personal relationships with faculty members, allowing her to spend two summers immersed in research projects. She even had the opportunity to present her research at the American Chemical Society National Conference in San Francisco and at the International Symposium on Clusters and Nanomaterials in Richmond. Next up? Grad school! Ann has already been accepted with full tuition and teaching assistantships to the University of Pennsylvania, Johns Hopkins University, and three other universities!

**Here are just a few examples of what
our alumni are doing now:**

Afghanistan Country Coordinator,
U.S. Department of State/USAid
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Art Director, J. Crew
.....

Associate User Experience Designer,
Moody's Analytics
.....

CEO, Bringing Hope Home
.....

Communication and Program Manager,
Insomnia Cookies
.....

Director of External Affairs, The Food Trust
.....

Director of Operations, Philadelphia Soul
.....

Director of Special Events,
Philadelphia Media Network
.....

International Tourism Professional
and Copywriter, Trivago
.....

Production Assistant, NFL Films
.....

Professor of Theatre, Utah State University
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VP Digital Sales Performance,
ABC Disney Television
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Internships include:

Anthropologie
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Beasley Broadcast Group
.....

Bentley Systems
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Disney College Program
.....

Eastern Communication Association
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Fox News
.....

Magnet Magazine
.....

Philadelphia Style magazine
.....

Philadelphia Union
.....

QVC
.....

SAP
.....

TED Conferences
.....

Urbn Inc.
.....

Urban Outfitters
.....

WSFS Bank

COLLEGE OF
ARTS *and*
HUMANITIES



The **College of Arts and Humanities** is the University's cultural hub. From the performing arts to languages, the College offers a variety of programs to engage your thoughts, creativity, and expression. Whether you're pondering what it means to exist or answering the call of the stage, you'll find a home here.

Highlights include:

- All-Steinway School
- State-of-the-art Mac lab for both print and interactive media
- Ceramics, drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and 3D printing studios
- Scene and costume shop
- Poetry Center, which sponsors the country's largest poetry conference
- Home of the PA Writing and Literature Project
- Hands-on television experience through WCU Weekly
- Hosted WCU's Spanish-language film festival
- English faculty member included in the 2015 *O. Henry Prize Stories* anthology
- Two Women's and Gender Studies majors were selected to present their project at an undergraduate research conference at the State Capitol
- A Philosophy student recently presented at the East-West Philosopher's Conference in Hawaii over the summer
- Art + Design students won 11 individual awards through the AIGA Flux Competition
- The Chamber Winds ensemble performed in Munich, Germany as part of a 10-day trip
- A faculty member was nominated for three Barrymore Awards for Excellence in Theatre
- Hosted 2016 Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival



Darius

Year of Graduation: 2016
Major: Theatre Performance
Minor: Dance
Hometown: Bristol Borough, PA

The college search process can seem overwhelming—choosing a college and a major and moving away from home for the first time. Darius considers himself lucky that he had guidance from his favorite high school teacher who told him to choose the major that would make him the happiest. So he did—Theatre Performance. Darius chose WCU for the reputation of the performing arts program, the safe campus, and the location—walking distance to class and downtown! He's also taken on a dance minor, and he choreographed his very first dance piece in the spring. Darius has taken advantage of every opportunity he's been presented at WCU.

MAJORS

COMMUNICATION STUDIES • ENGLISH • HISTORY
GRAPHIC + INTERACTIVE DESIGN • LANGUAGES AND CULTURES
MUSIC EDUCATION • MUSIC PERFORMANCE
MUSIC THEORY AND COMPOSITION • PHILOSOPHY • RELIGIOUS STUDIES
STUDIO ART • THEATRE • WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES



COLLEGE OF **BUSINESS** *and* **PUBLIC MANAGEMENT**

Here are just a few examples of what our alumni are doing now:

Certified Public Accountant, PwC, KPMG,
Ernst & Young, Deloitte, Kreischer Miller,
IRS, FBI
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CEO, Brandywine Asset Management
.....

Detective, NYPD
.....

Financial Crimes Investigator, Citi Security
.....

Judge, Northampton County Court
.....

Partner, KPMG
.....

President and CEO of The Americas,
Volvo Car Financial Services
.....

Securities Lending Associate, BlackRock
.....

Senior Analyst Investor Relations & Finance,
Sunoco LP
.....

Senior Associate Corporate Treasury,
JP Morgan Chase & Co
.....

Senior GIS Analyst, U.S. Environmental
Protection Agency
.....

Vice President Approvals & Acquisitions,
Westrum Development Company

Internships include:

BNY Mellon
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Delaware County Planning Department
.....

Fairmount Park Conservancy
.....

Frontier Communications
.....

JP Morgan Chase & Co
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KPMG
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PECO Energy
.....

Philadelphia Eagles
.....

SAP
.....

Spring International
.....

TE Connectivity
.....

Vanguard
.....

Wegmans



The College of Business and Public Management prepares students for diverse careers in multiple fields. The College focuses on academic innovation, globalization, sustainability, and community partnerships while being impactful, inspiring, interdisciplinary, innovative, and inclusive.

Highlights include:

- Twenty-one students presented at the Eastern Economic Association and the Omicron Delta Epsilon Undergraduate Economics Conference
- A team of WCU students were finalists in the national Formula 5 Marketing Competition, beating out dozens of teams from across the country
- Crime & Justice Lecture Series
- One of the first academic criminal justice programs on the East Coast
- Annual Business Idea Competition
- Annual student trips to Peru to explore current research findings about criminal activities among youth
- Annual International GIS Day
- Global Entrepreneur Week

Faculty members are:

- Published authors, consultants, journal reviewers, and award, grant, and scholarship winners
- *ComputerWorld* Smithsonian Laureate honoree
- U.S. Professor of the Year nominee
- Lead researcher for United Nation’s Environmental Programme Finance Initiative

MAJORS

ACCOUNTING • CRIMINAL JUSTICE • ECONOMICS
FINANCE • GEOGRAPHY • INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS
MANAGEMENT • MARKETING • URBAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING



Sarah

Year of Graduation: 2016
Major: Geography and Planning
Hometown: Horsham, PA

“This internship gave me professional experience in the workplace, and I know that will separate me from other candidates when it comes to job searching.”

Sarah always loved the environment and knew that she wanted to do something to help others — so she decided to major in Geography and Planning. She heard an in-class presentation by a member of the Forest Service and was hooked. After the presentation, she reached out to the worker, aced her interview, and landed an internship as a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) intern with the United States Forest Service, part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Sarah gained valuable workplace experience and learned to run commands and to properly analyze data. Sarah is putting all of her newly gained knowledge to work in graduate school. And, as a member of the Geography Honor Society at WCU – she has scholarships to help pay for it all.



COLLEGE OF **EDUCATION** *and* **SOCIAL WORK**

**Here are just a few examples of
what our alumni are doing now:**

Child Welfare Specialist, Temple University
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Co-Director, Center for Social Policy and
Community Development,
Temple University
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Director of Community-based
Programming, Center for Grieving
Children
.....

Director of Curriculum,
Phoenixville School District
.....

Director of Experimental Education,
Bryn Athyn College
.....

Director of Quality Control, A. Duie Pyle
.....

Manager of Organizational Development,
VILLA
.....

Owner and Manager, Rockland Speech
and Hearing
.....

Program Director and Parent Liaison,
Gladwyne Montessori
.....

Referee, National Basketball Association
.....

State Representative, Pennsylvania
.....

Veterans Justice Outreach Social Worker,
VA Clinic
.....

Internships include:

Chester County Human Services
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Department of Children, Youth,
and Families
.....

Department of Aging
.....

Department of Mental Health
and Intellectual Disabilities
.....

Domestic Violence Center
.....

Family Services of Chester County
.....

School Districts across PA



West Chester University was founded as a teacher's college in 1871 and remains the largest educator of teachers in Pennsylvania. To say that education is at the heart of what we do at WCU would be an understatement. **The College of Education and Social Work** takes pride in creating hands-on opportunities for students and in preparing them for careers through field placements and classroom instruction.

Highlights include:

- Recognition by nearly a dozen national boards for excellence in teaching
- Partnerships with more than 60 school districts
- 100% pass rate on major subject area assessments over last five years
- Opportunities for research and publication
- Professional Testing Center for Praxis CORE and Praxis II
- Member of the prestigious 5+ Club for physics teachers
- Student teaching opportunities in the Bahamas, Ireland, England, Costa Rica, and Belize
- Partnership with Mary Immaculate College in Limerick, Ireland
- Student article "3 Reasons Why I Am Out of the Closet About Recovery" published on *HuffPost Impact*
- Partnership in Cuernavaca, Mexico with Augsburg College
- Global World Social Work Day
- Faculty members are published authors, current practitioners, and conference presenters and are active in the social work and teaching communities, where they often hold leadership roles in state-wide associations



Tyler

Year of Graduation: BSW 2012, MSW 2015

Major: Social Work

Hometown: Downingtown, PA

A Marine Corps veteran, Tyler transferred into WCU after serving in the Persian Gulf. He had a unique perspective given his service to the country and the lack of services he found upon his return. Tyler wanted to make a difference in the lives of other veterans and to help them transition back into civilian life. Along the way, he also helped the University by creating cultural awareness training for faculty and staff to help them understand the veteran experience. He's been presenting around campus ever since! Today, Tyler is also a mental health therapist with Holcomb Behavioral Health Systems where he is making a difference every day.

MAJORS

EARLY AND MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION
PROFESSIONAL AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
SOCIAL WORK • SPECIAL EDUCATION



**Here are just a few examples of
what our alumni are doing now:**

Anesthesiology Physician,
Johns Hopkins University
.....

Associate Athletic Director,
Villanova University
.....

Athletic Trainer, Philadelphia Phillies
.....

Audiology Resident, Princeton Eye and Ear
.....

CEO, Aspen Physical Therapy
.....

Director, Compliance & Operations –
Vaccines Global Portfolio, Pfizer
.....

Exercise Physiologist,
AREUFIT Health Services
.....

Operations Supervisor,
Kraft Heinz Company
.....

Owner, MGayle Outdoor Adventures
.....

Registered Nurse Practitioner,
University of Pennsylvania
.....

Spokesperson and Fitness Expert,
Fitness RX
.....

Strength and Conditioning Coach/Owner,
Ignite Performance Training

Internships Include:

Bryn Mawr Hospital
.....

Campbell Soup Company
.....

Chestnut Hill Balance
.....

Crozer Hospital
.....

Hahnemann Hospital
.....

Kinetic Physical Therapy
.....

Premier Rehabilitation
.....

Swarthmore College
.....

Villanova University
.....

Widener University



COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

From state-of-the-art labs and simulation rooms to student-centered organizations and opportunities for research, the **College of Health Sciences** is the University's hub for all health-related studies.

Highlights include:

- Accelerated program options in Athletic Training, Nutrition and Dietetics, and Public Health
- Sports Nutrition Practice Group provides nutrition information to collegiate and professional athletes
- A 3-year average pass rate of 85% on the athletic training Board of Certification exam
- A placement rate of nearly 100% for athletic training students in either graduate school or employment post-graduation
- Gold Level Chapter Honors for Chapter of National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association
- Opportunities for co-authoring papers, articles, and research with faculty members as well as conference attendance and presentations
- One of the longest running university-based speech and hearing clinics in the country
- International opportunities and partnerships
- 1st place winner in national Share the Health video contest
- Expert faculty who are committed to intensive student career and academic advisement and who have won awards and grants from a variety of boards and associations

MAJORS

COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS • ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
EXERCISE SCIENCE* • HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION • HEALTH SCIENCE
HEALTH SCIENCE: RESPIRATORY CARE • HEALTH SCIENCE: SPORTS MEDICINE STUDIES
NURSING • NUTRITION AND DIETETICS • PUBLIC HEALTH
*PRE-PROGRAMS: CHIROPRACTIC, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PHYSICAL THERAPY



Desiree

Year of Graduation: B.S. 2015,
M.P.H. 2016

Major: Public Health

Hometown: Reading, PA

Desiree had been interested in working with babies and maternal health for as long as she could remember, so when she heard about an internship with the March of Dimes, she knew it was a perfect match. Already a Public Health student, Desiree had been studying community health and communicable diseases as well as health and wellness promotion. Thanks to her internship, Desiree also gained clinical experience by shadowing doctors in a neonatal intensive care unit and event and logistical experience through planning the largest March of Dimes fundraiser in the Philadelphia area. Desiree worked on the awards luncheon from start to finish, and she learned more about two very different—but exceptionally important sides of working in public health—the funding and the hands-on work. Desiree graduated in May with both her B.S. and M.S. in Public Health thanks to WCU's accelerated program, and she already has a job lined up—Community Director at March of Dimes!



**Here are just a few examples of
what our alumni are doing now:**

Chief Technology Officer, Imagine
Communications
.....

Director of Bioinformatics, Pfizer
.....

Foreign Affairs Officer,
U.S. Department of State
.....

Physicist and Electro Optical Engineer,
Brandywine Photonics
.....

Postdoctoral Fellow, The Children's Hospital
of Philadelphia
.....

President and Principal Hydrogeologist,
Quinn Environmental Strategies
.....

Research Physicist, Naval Research
Laboratory
.....

Senior Engineer, Office of U.S. Secretary
of Defense
.....

Senior Vice President, MacDougall
Biomedical Communications
.....

Sociology Instructor, Albright College
.....

Staff Geologist, Brownfield Science and
Technology, Inc.
.....

Vice President and Senior Legal Counsel,
HSBC
.....

Vice President IT Corporate Systems, Ellucian

Internships include:

Amazon
.....

Center for Urban Health
.....

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
.....

GlaxoSmithKline
.....

Johns Hopkins University

Lockheed Martin
.....

Merck
.....

NASA
.....

Pennsylvania House of Representatives
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Philadelphia Youth Media Collaborative
.....

QVC
.....

Stryker Orthobiologics
.....

U.S. House of Representatives
.....

World Resources Institute
.....

World Health Organization

COLLEGE OF THE
SCIENCES *and*
MATHEMATICS



The College of the Sciences and Mathematics is the center of scientific and analytical study at WCU. Students learn critical thinking and problem solving skills and develop evidence-based arguments to test their research. The academically rigorous programs within the College of the Sciences and Mathematics will test your limits and awaken your inner scholar on your quest for answers.

Highlights Include:

- Study abroad opportunity in the most preserved geologic regions of Europe: the Khibiny Mountains and Lovozero Tundra
- Undergraduate students are published researchers and grant recipients
- Ecosystem mini-mester course in Puerto Rico
- Opportunities to work side by side with renowned scientists on state and federally funded research grants
- Chemistry students have an 84% placement rate in chemistry-related fields or in graduate or professional school at the time of graduation
- An international relations student was one of only nine students nationwide to intern at the United Nations
- Partnership with China's Guizhou University
- Home of the Internet Safety, Ethics, Education, and Knowledge Institute and the Information Security Center
- Designated a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education
- Named a best school for cybersecurity by Ponemon Institute
- Weather station, astronomical observatory, and planetarium
- Semi-annual mathematics colloquium
- Annual faculty-student croquet match
- Home of the nation's first pharmaceutical product development program
- Learn from national and international award winning professors

MAJORS

ANTHROPOLOGY • BIOLOGY • CHEMISTRY • COMPUTER SCIENCE
EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCES • FORENSIC AND TOXICOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY
GEOSCIENCE • MATHEMATICS • PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT
PHYSICS • POLITICAL SCIENCE • PSYCHOLOGY • SOCIOLOGY
PRE-PROGRAMS: ENGINEERING AND MEDICINE



Tabitha

Year of Graduation: 2015

Major: Biology-Marine Science

Hometown: Mohnton, PA

"I think my favorite part was having such an amazing group of faculty and peers to be around. I feel like I learned just as much outside the classroom as I did in the classroom at WCU."

For as long as she can remember, Tabitha loved the ocean and—believe it or not—sharks. So, biology with a marine biology concentration seemed like an obvious choice when she arrived at WCU. Tabitha learned from hands-on experiences in the lab and through her time as the president of the University's biology club. Tabitha focused on organismal marine biology as an undergraduate; now in her graduate studies, she is focusing on invertebrate animals. She is also working to determine how global climate change is directly affecting the oceans. She plans to pursue her Ph.D. in biology and conduct her own research on sharks.



HONORS COLLEGE



Service learning and research trip to South Africa

At West Chester University, our best and brightest students are invited to apply to the **Honors College**. The Honors College prepares students to become a force for positive change both on campus and in the broader community. Students are encouraged to be active, contributing members of society and are prepared to become leaders for the 21st century.

Highlights include:

- Community service opportunities
- Specialized general education courses built around community investment and leadership development
- Living Learning Community located in Allegheny Hall, guaranteed for all four years
- Additional faculty advisors
- Membership in the Honors Student Association
- Senior project linked to community-based internship
- Preferred course registration

Additional opportunities open exclusively to Honors College students:

- Service learning and research trip to South Africa
- Affiliation with National Collegiate Honors Council
- Participation in PASSHE summer honors programs
- Executive board and committee chairperson positions
- Qualification for honors scholarship awards and additional special recognition

Many of our alumni go on to pursue graduate and professional studies at distinguished institutions, including: Yale University, Johns Hopkins University, Princeton University, University of Rochester, and the University of Pennsylvania.

VETERANS *Center*

The **Greg and Sandra Weisenstein Veterans Center** at WCU is dedicated to current and former members of the nation's Armed Forces as well as their families and friends. The Center has created a culture of understanding, acceptance, and success for all military-affiliated students. At the Center, you'll find:

- Standing Strong Support Group
- Veterans Support Group
- Soldiers to Scholars
- Troops to Teachers
- New kitchen
- Computer room
- Lounge with tv, cable, video games, & dvds

WCU is also dedicated to recruiting and retaining talented young men and women for ROTC programs. Through partnerships with St. Joseph's University and Widener University, WCU is proud to offer both Army and Air Force ROTC training.

LEARN MORE:

wcupa.edu/ussss/rotc wcupa.edu/veteranscenter





STUDENT SUPPORT *Services*

College is an amazing opportunity to be on your own, but it's also nice to know that, thanks to our **student support services**, you've got help any time you need it...

The Office of Services for Students with Disabilities (OSSD) helps students with physical, psychological, and learning disabilities transition to college life.

The Learning Assistance and Resource Center (LARC) provides academic support services to help students become independent, active learners.

The Academic Development Program (ADP) is a special five-week summer program to develop academic skills in reading, writing, and mathematics.

Pre-Major Academic Advising (PMAA) will help you explore majors and make sure you're on the path to success through course selection and grade requirements.

The Early Alert Program (EAP) provides early intervention for students identified as needing additional academic and social support.

Counseling and Psychological Services offers individual problem-solving sessions, group therapy, individual vocational sessions, psychiatric services, consultations, drug and alcohol counseling and awareness training, and even crisis intervention.

Additional Resources:

Therapy dogs are a mainstay on campus during exams. (They even have their own Twitter feed!)

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The Center for Contemplative Studies offers courses in yoga, mindfulness meditation, and T'ai Chi Ch'uan to keep you grounded and stress-free.

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Student Health Services provides information about nutrition, wellness, and substance abuse.

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The mentoring program through the Office of Multicultural Affairs will introduce you to positive role models, get you settled, and help teach you the ropes.





CAMPUS

At West Chester

University, what you do outside the classroom is just as important as what you do in the classroom, and we've got hundreds of ways to keep you busy. From Sykes After Dark and athletic events to an impressive speaker series and hundreds of clubs and organizations, **the only question is: how will you choose?**

Whether you're interested in trying something new or sticking to tried and true, with more than **280** clubs and orgs, there's something for everyone.

Sixth Man Basketball Band

High Street Harmonix

Climbing Club

Entrepreneur Club

Operation Smile

Quidditch

UNICEF

Cycling Club

Irish Dance Team

NAACP

Habitat for Humanity

Circle K International

Improv

Bollywood Dance Club

Slow Food

and many others

For a complete list, visit:
wcu.orgsync.com

280+

CLUBS &
ORGANIZATIONS

670

STUDY ABROAD
OPPORTUNITIES
IN 40 COUNTRIES

50

RADIO SHOWS
ON OUR OWN
STATION 91.7

200

EVENTS
ON CAMPUS
EACH YEAR

20+ FITNESS
CLASSES EACH
WEEK

2-STORY
CLIMBING
WALL

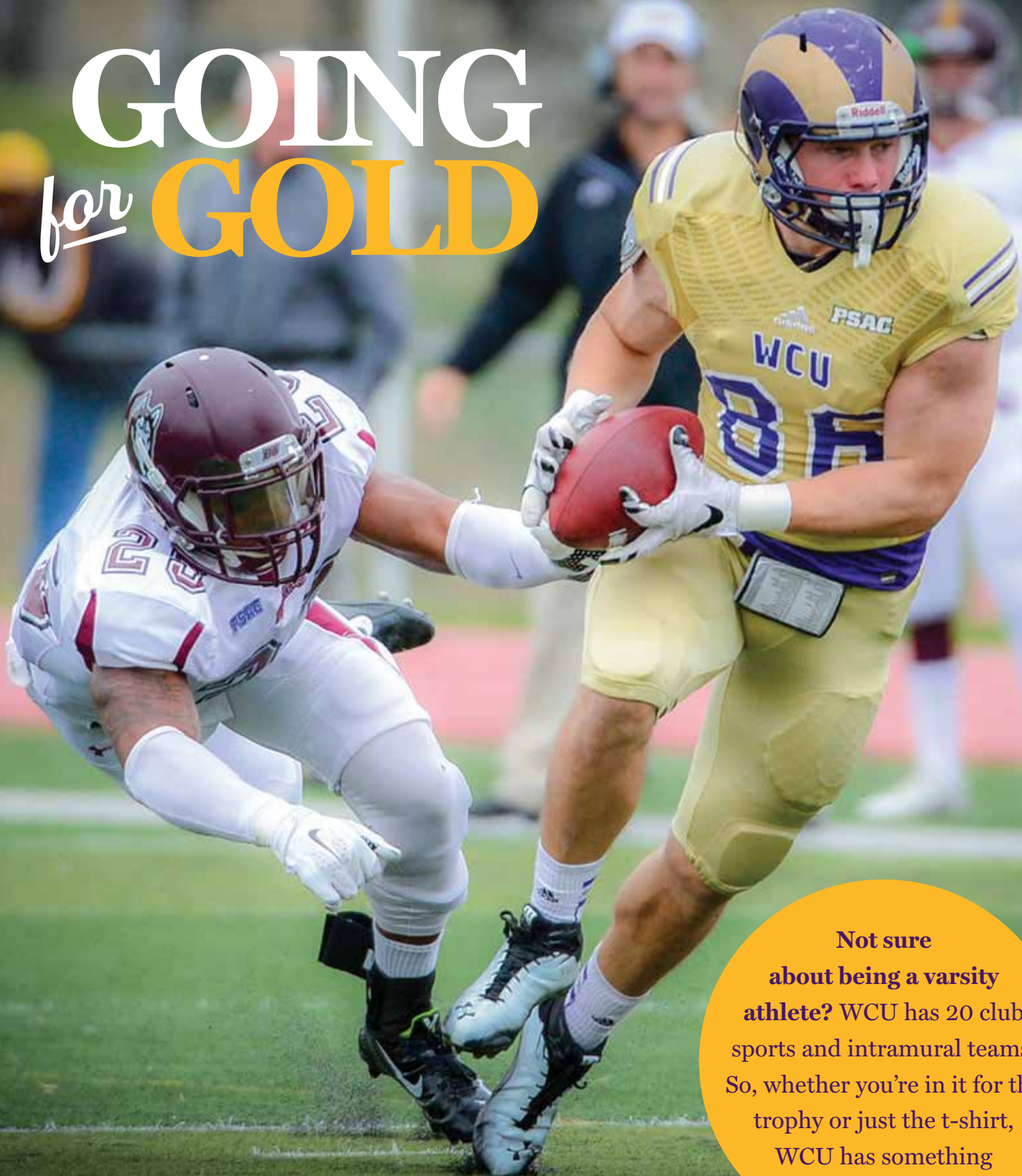
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FRATERNITIES
AND SORORITIES

No one ever said they were involved in **too many clubs** or had **too many friends** on campus.

**So, do what you love,
and love what you do!**

GOING *for* GOLD



Not sure
about being a varsity
athlete? WCU has 20 club
sports and intramural teams.
So, whether you're in it for the
trophy or just the t-shirt,
WCU has something
for you.

With **24** varsity sports, WCU is home to one of the largest
NCAA Division II athletics programs in the country, and we have the
facilities, fans, and championships to prove it.



www.wcupagoldenrams.com

VARSITY TEAMS:

Baseball (M)
Basketball (M/W)
Cheerleading (W)
Cross Country (M/W)
Field Hockey (W)
Football (M)
Golf (M/W)
Gymnastics (W)
Lacrosse (W)
Rugby (W)
Soccer (M/W)
Softball (W)
Swimming & Diving (M/W)
Tennis (M/W)
Track & Field (M/W)
Volleyball (W)

IN 2014-2015 WCU HAD:

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2 PSAC
Regular-Season Champions
.....
4 PSAC Tournament Champions
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9 teams +
15 individual athletes
who made NCAA Appearances
.....
3 Coach of the Year Awards
.....
2 teams +
7 individual athletes
who made National
Semifinal Appearances
.....
6 Player of the Year Awards
.....
13 All-American Selections
.....
7 Rookie of the Year Awards
.....
230 PSAC
Academic Honor Roll
.....
D2ADA
Academic Honor Roll: 92



Lex

Year of Graduation: 2017

Major: Nutrition and Dietetics

Hometown: Limerick, PA

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*"I love being on the team
because it's one big family.
Even families of alumni still
come to our games."*

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The choice to be a collegiate student athlete was one of the easiest and best decisions Lex ever made. She'd been playing field hockey for 15 years and loved everything about the sport. So, when she had the opportunity to continue her career at WCU, she jumped at it. Being a student athlete has helped Lex stay focused, manage her time better, and become more physically and mentally fit. That fitness must have come in handy because in Lex's time on the team, WCU won a National Championship, two Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Championships, and appeared in the NCAA Final Four three times! Even with classes, practices, and tournaments, Lex found time to study abroad in Italy with other Nutrition students over spring break. Lex found a home away from home at WCU, and a team that feels like her second family.

If you're a freshman, you'll most likely be housed on North Campus; here's a quick breakdown of the differences between the housing options:

University-owned housing:

Traditional dormitory style

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Double occupancy rooms

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Shared bathrooms

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Computer room

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Television lounge

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Game room

.....

Laundry room

.....

Kitchenette per building

University-affiliated housing (USH):

Suite style rooms accommodate

2 to 6 students

.....

En suite bathrooms

.....

Computer room

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Separate social and study lounges

.....

Theatre/Media room

.....

Fitness room/yoga space

.....

Laundry room

.....

Central heat/air conditioning

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Full kitchen per building

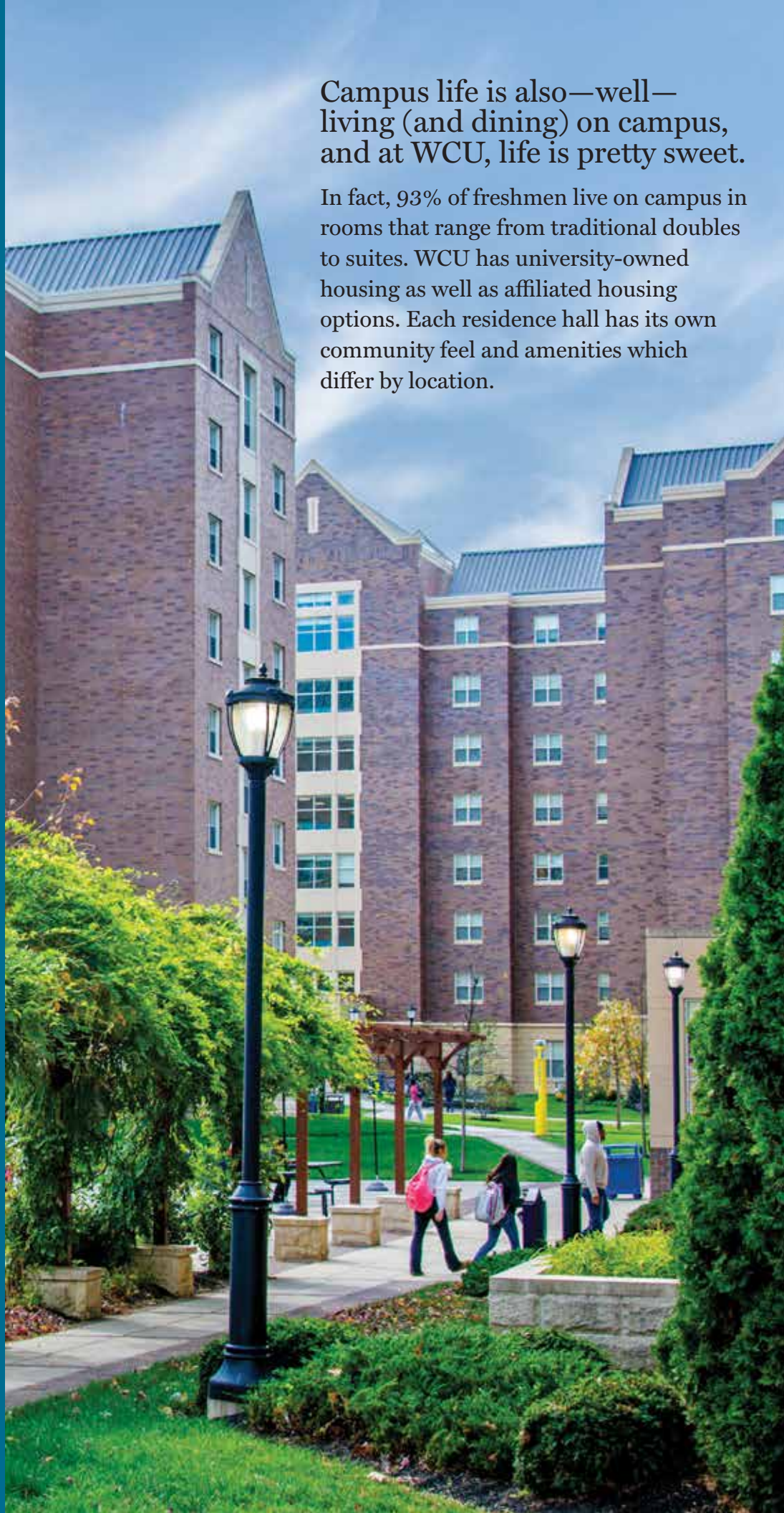
Which one is right for you?

You'll have to tour them all!

After your freshman year, you have even more options, including the College Arms Apartments, South Campus Apartments, the Village and East Village Apartments, or moving off campus into the West Chester Borough community.

Campus life is also—well—living (and dining) on campus, and at WCU, life is pretty sweet.

In fact, 93% of freshmen live on campus in rooms that range from traditional doubles to suites. WCU has university-owned housing as well as affiliated housing options. Each residence hall has its own community feel and amenities which differ by location.





DINING

Whether you eat to live or live to eat, you'll find something to love at WCU. Between the dining hall and the diner, the food trucks and the food court, we've got you covered.

On campus dining options include:

Lawrence
all-you-care-to-eat
dining hall
.....

Einstein Brothers Bagels
.....

Fresh Market Smoothies
.....

Food trucks on Church Street (everything from coffee and pretzels to Greek and Mexican)
.....

Java City
.....
Larry's Market
.....

P.O.D. (Provisions on Demand) In:

Main Hall
South Campus
Sturzebecker
.....

Ram's Head Food Court

Bene Pizza
Chik-fil-A
Grille Works
Home Zone
Lindsay's Market
Sandwich Shack
.....
The Diner

Hungry for more?
Check out
westchester.campusdish.com
for more information about meal
plans and dining locations —
and even a few menus.



Julie

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Year of Graduation: 2017

Major: Middle Grades Prep
& Special Education

Minor: Reading

Hometown: Demarest, NJ

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*“It’s important to open
yourself up to things and
experiences you weren’t
sure about before; that is
what I did by studying
abroad.”*

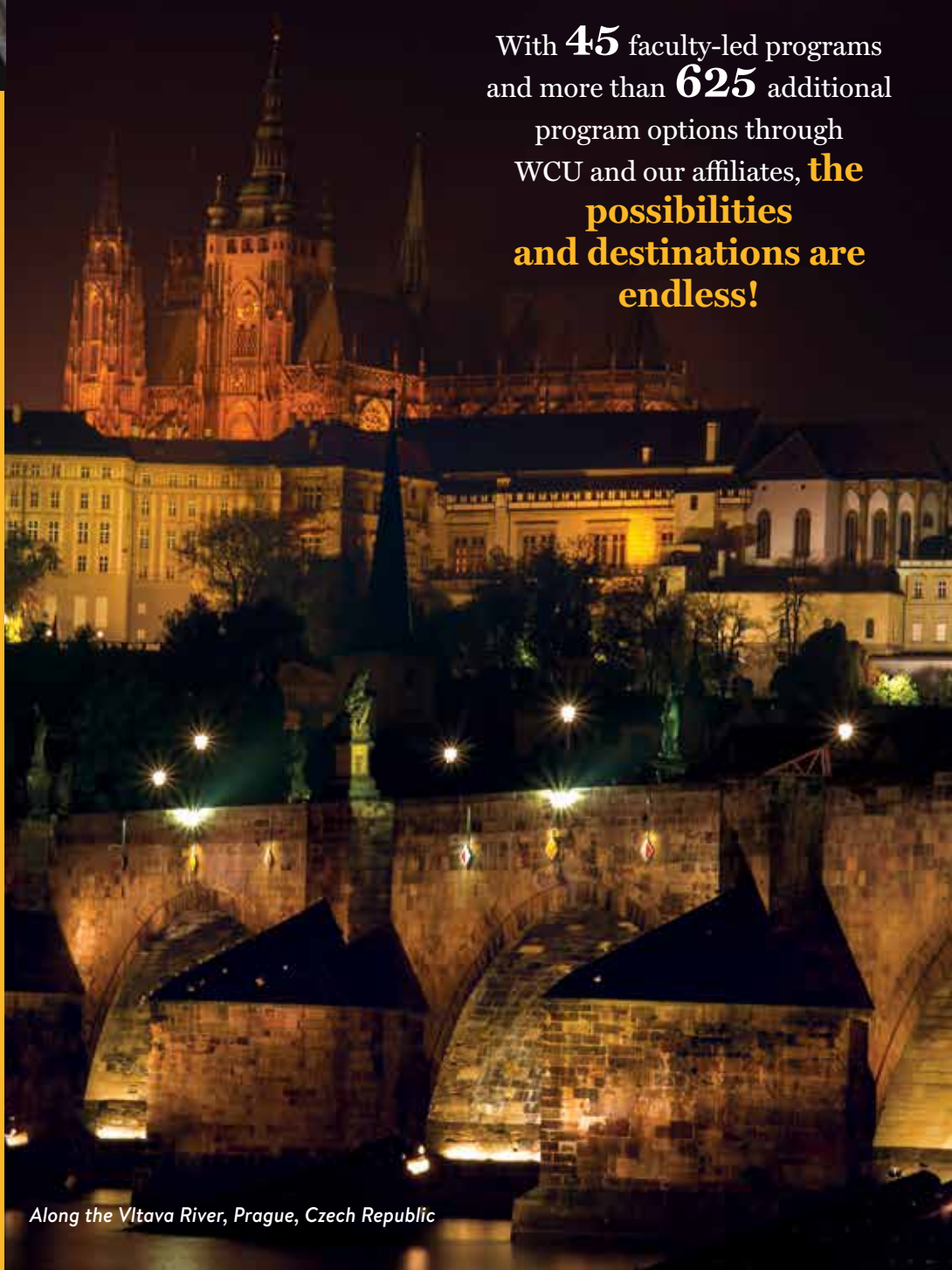
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The best advice Julie can give you as a WCU student? Say yes! An education major, Julie wasn’t sure she’d be able to fit study abroad into her curriculum, but just a few meetings, some paperwork, and a passport later, Julie was on her way to Prague in the Czech Republic. Why Prague? Julie thought the Czech Republic would have a different feel to it than some of the more traditional study abroad locations. It turns out—she was right! And Prague was the perfect starting point for all of the adventures and experiences that Julie said yes to. She made new friends and memories every weekend as she traveled—visiting Switzerland, Amsterdam, Dublin, Barcelona, Munich, and Italy’s Amalfi Coast. Julie opened herself up to new experiences and had the time of her life.

Get out there and explore your world!

If you’re thinking about studying abroad, West Chester University has your golden ticket! Whether you’re interested in traveling for your major, to learn a new language, or just to see the world—we’ve got a program for you. West Chester and our affiliate partners offer year-long, semester-long, and even week-long trips over intersessions and breaks.

With **45** faculty-led programs and more than **625** additional program options through WCU and our affiliates, **the possibilities and destinations are endless!**



Along the Vltava River, Prague, Czech Republic



Study Abroad in Greece



Teaching in the Bahamas



Study Abroad in Norway

Choose from any of our **670** study abroad options including:

- Argentina
- Australia
- Bahamas
- China
- Czech Republic
- England
- France
- Greece
- Italy
- Norway
- South Africa
- Spain
- And so many more

STUDY ABROAD PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:

- American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS)
- Arcadia University College of Global Studies
- Athena Study Abroad
- CEA Global Education
- CIS Abroad
- Global Semesters
- Institute for American Universities (IAU College)
- International Studies Abroad (ISA)



COMMITMENT *to* community

West Chester University has been a part of the fabric of Pennsylvania since the college's founding in 1871. From service-learning courses to student-faculty research, our students, faculty, and staff have been making a difference in the community every day for more than 140 years.

in
2014-15

alone WCU
students

performed more than
900,000 hours
*of community
service*

supported
347
*community
organizations*

and
ran **6** alternative
spring break trips
and

5 alternative winter
break trips



and
participated in
service learning
courses in
record numbers:
7,500

and
raised nearly
\$150,000
*for nonprofit
organizations*



*Then there's commitment
to the wider community.*

Since 2010, WCU has invested in projects that are truly making an environmental impact, including:

Heating and cooling 50% of campus buildings with geothermal energy
.....

Installing rain gardens and catch basins to improve water quality and reduce storm water runoff
.....

Creating green roofs on the Merion Science Center and Green Library to reduce water runoff and cooling costs
.....

Planting a demonstration garden to attract natural pollinators to our campus
.....

Dedicating even more space to the Robert B. Gordon natural area, now a 73-acre nature preserve
.....

Opening the South Campus community garden to encourage gardening, learning where and how food grows, and even composting and bee-keeping techniques
.....

WCU is also a Level II ArbNet certified Arboretum and has been recognized by Tree Campus USA for the last several years

Location, Location, Location

If you haven't been on a tour yet, it's hard to even begin to describe West Chester's location. There's the campus itself which is beautiful, with a grassy academic quad, Adirondack chairs under the trees, and buildings that date from the turn of the last century.

Then there's everything else:

West Chester Borough: The Borough has a fantastic downtown with great shops, restaurants, bakeries, and salons just a ten-minute walk from the heart of campus. It's a true college town, and when the University is in session, our students double the population here.

Philadelphia: Just over 30 minutes from campus, Philadelphia is home to tons of restaurants, museums and cultural sites, concerts, and more. And, with more than 450,000 college students in the Philly metro area, there's always someone to meet, something to do, and somewhere to go.

New York City & Washington, D.C.: West Chester University is just a two-hour ride from two of the most influential cities in the country, if not the world. Aside from the obvious landmarks in both cities, you'll also have access to more internship opportunities, fun, and experiences than you could ever imagine!





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UNIVERSITY
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MAY 13
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Historic Marker
This site is the location of the original West Chester University building, which was constructed in 1837. The building was destroyed by fire in 1892 and replaced by the current building. The site is now a parking lot for the university.

SPEED
LIMIT
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When your last exam is finished, your passport is stamped, and your diploma is in hand, you should know that you're not alone. With more than 90,000 alumni around the world, **you'll find the WCU connection EVERYWHERE!**

Our graduates go on to study and work at fantastic institutions and accomplish great things.

Just a few employers who hire WCU grads year after year:

- Aetna
- AstraZeneca
- Bank of America
- Berkshire Hathaway
- Comcast
- GSK
- JP Morgan
- Merck
- QVC
- SAP
- School Districts of Philadelphia, West Chester, and Downingtown
- The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
- Vanguard
- Wells Fargo

Some fields alumni work in:

- Accounting
- Arts & Design
- Community and Social Services
- Education
- Entrepreneurship
- Finance
- Healthcare
- Legal
- Marketing
- Media & Communication
- Military & Protective Services
- Product and Project Management

Examples of job titles alumni have:

- Aerospace Engineer, Boeing Company
- Anesthesiology Physician, Johns Hopkins University

- Associate Athletic Director, Villanova University
- Author
- CEO, Aspen Physical Therapy
- CEO and Cofounder, Forge Therapeutics
- Composer
- Coordinator, Pacific Rim, LA Dodgers
- Creative Consultant, MTV Networks
- Director of Coaching, F.C. Revolution Soccer
- Director of Communications and PR, Alex's Lemonade Stand
- Director of Ticketing, NY Giants
- Editor-in-Chief, *New York Law Journal*
- Executive Director, Sierra Club
- Featured Columnist at The Bleacher Report
- Founder and President, ProMetrics
- Game Day Media Relations Specialist, Philadelphia Eagles
- Japanese Lecturer, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Linguist, U.S. Department of Defense
- Magician
- Manager of Football Information, NFL
- News Anchor, CBS affiliate
- President, CHQ Local Food
- President, Oxford Financial Services
- Principal Artist, Washington National Opera
- Producer, ESPN
- Professional Baseball Player
- Radio DJ, WMMR Philadelphia
- Referee, NBA
- Senior Platform Analyst, QVC
- Senior Integrated Media Consultant, CBS Radio
- Senior Vice President of Marketing and Customer Experience, Target
- Songwriter, Capitol CMG
- Sports Anchor, CBS
- State Representative, Pennsylvania
- Vice President, Philadelphia Phillies

- Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, Merck
- Vice President of Digital Sales Performance, Disney ABC Television Group
- Vice President of Development, Meals on Wheels
- Video Production Assistant, Philadelphia Union Soccer
- Voice Over Artist
- Writer/Contributing Editor, *Vogue Magazine*
- YouTube Personality

Some recent Graduate School acceptances:

- Ball State University
- Bowling Green State University
- Bryn Mawr College
- Columbia University
- Cornell University
- Dartmouth College
- Drexel University
- George Washington University
- Harvard University
- Johns Hopkins University
- La Salle University
- New York University
- Old Dominion University
- Penn State University
- St. Joseph's University
- Stanford University
- Temple University
- Thomas Jefferson School of Law
- University of Maryland
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- Villanova University
- West Chester University
- Yale University

Recent internship experiences:

- Campbell Soup Company
- Deloitte
- Disney College Program
- Fox News
- Hahnemann Hospital
- KPMG
- Local high school and college sports teams
- Lockheed Martin
- Merck
- Merrill Lynch
- NBC
- Pennsylvania House of Representatives
- Philadelphia Flyers
- Philadelphia Phillies
- Philadelphia Style* magazine
- Philadelphia Zoo
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- QVC
- The United Nations
- URBN
- U.S. Marshals
- World Health Organization

Whether you're looking for an internship, résumé help, or a job post-graduation, the **Twardowski Career Development Center (CDC)** is the place for you!

Located right on campus in the Lawrence Center, appointments and drop-ins are open to all students and alumni, regardless of graduation year. In fact, if you're unsure about your future plans or academic or career interests, our full-time career counselors will work to get you on the right path—or help you create your own. Already know what you'd like to do? The CDC staff can help with résumés, cover letters, and techniques to make sure that you ace your interview and are career ready.



Gianna

Year of Graduation: 2016

Major: Communication Studies

Minor: Journalism

Hometown: Allentown, PA

As a college student trying to prepare for her future, Gianna wanted to make sure she gained as much knowledge and experience as possible.

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"Communication Studies is extremely broad, and I wanted to gain a taste of all realms to determine which field was right for me."
.....

So, she did exactly that and then some—with not only one but three internships throughout her time at West Chester! From working in PR with the founder of a local company to an internship with Major League Soccer's Philadelphia Union to her last position with QVC, Gianna gained valuable experience and learned the value of hard work. With hands-on experiences in media coverage reporting, drafting press releases, and covering feature stories and events, Gianna is prepared to make a difference anywhere she goes.



Over **61,000** logins to
Ram Career Network

1,000+ students attend
career fairs each year

637 drop-ins in the last
academic year



170+ employers attend
campus and career fairs

95% of employers who
held on-campus interviews
with students expressed their
interest in hiring at least one
of the applicants that were
interviewed on that day



3,000+ résumés edited
annually through the
Career Development Center

1,077 appointments
last year alone



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job and internship postings
through the
Ram Career Network
last year alone

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opportunities as well as other
forms of financial aid that you
may be eligible to receive.

FINANCIAL AID

Your college education is one of the largest investments you'll make in your lifetime.

At WCU, we're here to make your dreams a reality. This year, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is using prior, prior year tax data.

Prior-Prior Year (PPY) refers to a policy enabling students and families to file the FAFSA using tax information from two years ago. The West Chester University priority filing date is February 15.



ADMISSIONS

Now that you know what makes WCU *WCU*, we want to know what it is that makes you *you*!

West Chester University practices a holistic admissions process and considers your grades, the strength of your academic record, standardized test scores, and a personal statement as well your requested program of study. Applicants may submit SAT and/or ACT results, and for fall and spring 2017 applicants, the Office of Admissions will consider both new and old SAT scores.

Interested in joining our community?

Check out wcupa.edu/admissions to learn more about the admissions process as well as any special admission requirements.

Fall 2016 Enrolled First Year Profile

High School GPA	3.41
Combined SAT*	1058
<i>(Critical Reading and Math)</i>	
ACT Composite	23
Class Rank	Top 62%

**old format*

FAST FACTS WCU *by the* Numbers



SIX YEAR
GRADUATION RATE:
67.3%
(national average is 59%)



STUDENT TO FACULTY
RATIO: **19:1**
.....
FRESHMAN TO SOPHOMORE
RETENTION RATE: **88%**
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85 CLASSES HAVE FEWER
THAN 40 STUDENTS; NEARLY
25%, FEWER THAN 20

406
ACRE CAMPUS

FOUNDED IN
1871

280+
CLUBS & ORGS



670
STUDY ABROAD
OPPORTUNITIES

STUDENTS
COME FROM
29 STATES
AROUND
THE
COUNTRY
AND **74**
COUNTRIES
ACROSS THE
GLOBE



Ranked in the
top 100
Kiplinger "best buys"
in American public
higher education

U.S. News Best Colleges Rankings

18th Top Public School: Regional
University North

53rd Best College for Veterans: Regional
University North

71st Regional University North

Consumer Digest Ranking

21st Top 50 Values for Public Colleges
and Universities



118 undergraduate programs in 5 colleges
655 full-time faculty
100% of courses taught by faculty;
never graduate assistants
12,781
full-time undergraduate students (4th
largest university in the Philadelphia region)

Sure, you've read about
WCU, but the best way
to truly experience the
University is to come see
it for yourself!

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and our admission
ambassadors would
be happy to show you
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Education Accreditation.*



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