



A forward-looking, four-year public university steeped in a rich heritage as West Virginia's oldest institution of higher education, **West Liberty University** is a distinguished, historic, and student-centered public institution with outstanding faculty and staff, and amazing students. Students enjoy a safe, friendly campus with individual attention and strong academic programs.

- Founded in 1837.
- Total Enrollment: 2,775
- International Enrollment: over 60 students from 23 countries
- Top 5 degree programs enrolling international students: Business Administration • Education • Biology • Communication • Graphic Design

**OVERVIEW** - West Liberty University (WLU) is a four-year, public university offering 21 baccalaureate degrees, 1 associate of science degree (dental hygiene) and 6 master degrees in Education, Biology, Business, Criminology, Physician Assistant Studies, and Professional Studies. The school is recognized for its educational quality, vibrant campus life, small classes and affordability. In 2013 our historic campus was named the safest campus in the state of West Virginia, U.S.A. WLU is located in a rural setting in the small town of West Liberty, but close to the city life of Wheeling, West Virginia and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, one of America's most progressive cities. Our region is rich with concerts, museums, and shopping opportunities. The Pittsburgh international airport is located within one-hour of campus and can easily connect you to destinations across America and around the world. Being located in the eastern part of the United States, the West Liberty campus is within a day's drive of half the population of the United States including New York City, Washington DC, and Chicago. The International Student Services Office at WLU provides on-going support for students, including many cultural activities and events off-campus.

**WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE WEST LIBERTY?** - International students have unique educational opportunities that are not found at many other universities in the United States. For example, ambitious students have the opportunity to join the Honors College at West Liberty and be part of a select academic community of highly motivated and intellectually advanced students. Students accepted to the Honors College are able to engage in exceptional experiences that develop excellence in leadership, scholarship, and services.

**COST OF ATTENDANCE** - Estimated Cost of Attendance for 2017-18 Academic Year (Two Semesters)

- Undergraduate tuition: \$15,520
- Room and Board: \$9320 (Room/Housing = \$5,050 and Meals/Board = \$4,270)
- Total: \$24, 840/ academic year (two semesters)

**INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL AID** - Academic Scholarships are available for international students. All applicants to WLU are considered for scholarships at the time the admission application and supporting documents are received. The highest academic scholarship offered at WLU is in the amount of \$12,000 per year. In addition to receiving academic scholarship, students receive other benefits under our scholarship programs. More information can be found at: <http://westliberty.edu/financial-aid/scholarships-2/> There is no deadline to apply for scholarships.

**INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS** - There is no application fee. Visit the West Liberty website at [www.westliberty.edu](http://www.westliberty.edu) for detailed application instructions and to apply.

English Proficiency Requirement:

- TOEFL (Internet-based): 61
- IELTS: 5.5
- EIKEN: Grade 2A
- GTEC CBT: 1051-1075

**ACCREDITATION AND ACADEMIC RANKINGS** - Accredited by Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The U.S. News and World report college rankings lists West Liberty University as 5<sup>th</sup> in the Top Public schools in the category Regional Colleges South.

**HOUSING AND MEALS** - West Liberty offers on-campus housing through its residential community program. Our residence hall communities are designed to be active centers of student life, as we believe a residence hall is more than a place to relax between classes or sleep. The residence life staff encourages students to maintain an open-minded approach to the challenges and opportunities presented daily by residential communities in order to grow in citizenship and leadership. West Liberty University has six residence halls, three apartment complexes, six cabins, and several campus houses as a part of our residential community. Every student has 19 meals per week plus additional \$100 per semester for extra costs for food on campus. The main eating place, the marketplace, has different menus every day, provides food for every taste and preferences.

**PROGRAMS** - WLU offers a personalized education through a team of high-caliber faculty and staff. Small class sizes permit extensive interaction and individual instruction. A list of undergraduate majors, degree programs, and areas of study that are available at: <http://westliberty.edu/academics/programs-of-study/>

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## **Bachelor Programs**

Accounting  
Advertising Communication  
Art Education  
Biology  
Broadcasting  
Business Administration  
Chemistry  
Communication  
Community Arts  
Community Education  
Computer Information Systems  
Creative Art Therapy  
Criminal Justice  
Dental Hygiene  
Digital Media Design  
Disabilities Services  
Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology  
Education – Social Studies  
Elementary Education  
English  
Entrepreneurship  
Environmental Stewardship and Education  
Exercise Physiology  
Finance  
Business  
General Science Education  
Geography & Planning  
Graphic Design  
Graphic Narrative  
Health Care Management  
Health & Physical Education  
History  
International Studies  
Journalism  
Literature  
Management  
Marketing  
Medical Laboratory Science  
Microbiology  
Museum Education  
Music

Nursing  
Organizational Leadership & Administration  
Outdoor Education  
Physical Education (Health & Physical Education)  
Pre-Professional (Pre-Law; Pre-Medicine)  
Psychology  
Public Relations  
Social Science  
Social Work  
Special Education  
Speech Pathology-Audiology  
Sports Management  
Sports, Recreation, and Wellness  
Teaching English & Global Education  
Theater  
Tourism and Event Management

## **Master Programs**

Master of Arts in Education  
Advanced Special Education  
Advanced Teaching  
Community Education Research and Leadership  
Leadership Studies  
Multi-Categorical Special Education  
Reading Specialist  
Sports Leadership and Coaching  
Technology Integration  
Master of Biology  
Master of Business Administration  
Management  
Entrepreneurship  
Master of Science in Criminology  
Master of Professional Studies  
Areas of Emphasis:  
Organizational Leadership  
Justice Leadership  
Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies