DON'T JUST GO TO COLLEGE...
MAKE WAVES.

Western isn’t a place where you just show up for four years, learn a few things and get a job that bores you. That’s for normal schools.

We want people with an appetite for ambition. People who want to learn about the universe, and then change it.

We have students designing and building solar-powered tiny homes. A professor who’s on the Mars Curiosity Rover team. And graduates who teach code to fifth graders.

Through close relationships with professors, a community atmosphere, and academic excellence, we help people find their purpose. And we inspire them to pursue that purpose with everything they’ve got. We bring together those who want to change the world, with the people who are changing it.

This is a place where, together, we can MAKE WAVES.

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It’s the small pieces THAT MAKE UP THE BIG PICTURE

#1 PUBLIC, MASTER’S-GRANTING UNIVERSITY IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST FOR 20 YEARS IN A ROW
–U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT
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DR. TSUNOKAI’S RESEARCH

explores two opposing themes: love and hate. With his students, he’s researching interracial dating preferences, and the recruitment, ideology, and ritualized behaviors of white supremacists in the 21st century.
Prior to taking Race and Ethnic Relations with Dr. Glenn Tsunokai, many students mistakenly believe racism is limited to intentionally saying or doing things to harm Black, Indigenous, and other people of color. As the class progresses, many students quickly learn how truly pervasive systemic racism is. They soon begin to understand that racism is a complicated web of oppression that is perpetuated by institutions and well-intentioned individuals every day.

“The persistence of inequality may fool some of us into believing that we are helpless to fight against it. As individuals, however, we have the power to dismantle structural oppression.”

One of Dr. Tsunokai’s favorite lessons shows students how ordinary people can begin to dismantle the unjust systems of oppression that exist in our society. Students learn by examining real-life examples of racism and anti-racism, often focusing on timely stories from the media and pop culture. They are then given the opportunity to apply their learning by creating a movement to fight against any social issue that is meaningful to them. The overall goal of this lesson is to help students realize that, while progress never comes easily, anyone can be a powerful social agent for positive change.

Speak Truth to Power: With seven student-run publications, be heard while getting real experience writing, reporting and editing for award-winning publications.

Get Out the Vote: Western students received national recognition for the number of people they registered to vote in the 2016 election.

Lend a Hand: Volunteer your time to a cause you care about and join the campus community members who provide nearly 1 million hours of community service each year.
Western student Melody Gao, a Goldwater Scholar, conducts research in one of Western's biochemistry labs. In addition to her ongoing research on protein structure and interactions, Melody serves as president of Western's Chemistry Club and Pre-Med Club. In the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, Melody was invited to join the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing team at a local laboratory. As she processes samples from patients, she supports the greater Bellingham community in its efforts to flatten the curve and stay healthy.
DARBY FINNEGAN’S (Biology) passion for marine life earned her the nationally-competitive Barry Goldwater Scholarship. Her upcoming research will examine how the swimming mechanics of rainbow trout might change as carbon dioxide levels increase.

NATASHA HESSAMI (Biochemistry) earned a prestigious Fulbright award for her accomplishments in academics and leadership. She also won a grant to compensate students for working on equity and inclusion issues in the sciences.

ANNELISE PAYNE (Industrial Design) designed a collection of home goods using bull kelp. Her work proposes alternative materials, methods and design solutions that can help redefine people’s impact on the planet.

BRADLEE THIELEN (Design) knows the power of LGBTQ+ mentors and uses design to highlight diverse perspectives, like when he created product packaging with memorable moments in queer history and popular culture.

ARTHUR MARECHAL (Electrical Engineering) co-founded a project that will bring sustainable solar power to Western’s Outback Farm, and interned for a company that makes residential solar power systems (it turned into a three-year job).
Western’s Honors Program promotes an environment where students and faculty actively seek to challenge themselves and each other. The curriculum is compatible with any major and gives students access to small classes taught by award-winning professors. The Honors Residential Community, located in the Edens and Edens North residence halls, provides a vibrant atmosphere for first- and second-year students.
Western is grounded in the liberal arts tradition — that means you get to explore a variety of academic fields while digging into your chosen major.

If you can’t decide which major to pursue, then you don’t have to. There’s no reason to choose a single area of interest when you can just as easily fuse the fields you’re passionate about. Build your own major, or pursue a major that already combines disciplines (such as Business and Sustainability, or Environmental Studies/Journalism).

**Top 5**

Out of more than 600 institutions, Western ranks in the top 5 nationally for graduates who go on to earn research doctorates

~Survey of Earned Doctorates

**Western produced five Fulbright winners in 2019-20**, placing it tied for third place among public masters-granting institutions nationally
200+ ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

www.edu/majors

A
Accounting, BA, BS
American Cultural Studies, BA
Anthropology
  Anthropology, BA*
  Anthropology/Biology, BA
  Anthropology/Social Studies, BA
Archaeology Concentration, BA
  Biocultural Concentration, BA
Applied Mathematics, BS
Art History, BA
Art Studio, BA, BFA*

B
Behavioral Neuroscience, BS
Biochemistry, BS
Biology
  Biology, BA*
  Biology/Anthropology, BA, BS
  Biology/Mathematics, BS
Ecology, Evolution & Organismal
  Biology Emphasis, BS
General Emphasis, BS
Marine Emphasis, BS
Molecular & Cellular Biology
  Emphasis, BS
Business Administration
  Business Administration, BA
  Business & Sustainability, BA
  Business & Sustainability
    – Energy Studies Concentration, BA
Finance Concentration, BA
International Business
  Concentration, BA
Management Concentration, BA
  Management Information Systems
    Concentration, BA
Marketing Concentration, BA
  Operations Management
    Concentration, BA

C
Canadian-American Studies, BA
Chemistry, BA, BS*
Chinese Language & Culture, BA*
Communication Sciences & Disorders, BA
Communication Studies, BA
Computer Science, BS

D
Dance, BA, BFA
Design, BA, BFA

E
Early Childhood Education, BAE
Early Childhood Special Education, BAE
Earth Science (Elementary or Secondary), BAE
East Asian Studies, BA
Economics, BA
  Economics/Accounting, BA
  Economics/Environmental Studies, BA
  Economics/Mathematics, BA
  Economics/Political Science, BA
  Economics/Social Studies, BA
Elementary Education
  Professional Program
Energy Science and Technology, BS
  Energy Policy & Management, BA
Engineering
  Electrical and Computer Engineering, BS
  Manufacturing Engineering, BS
  Plastics & Composites Engineering, BS
English
  Creative Writing Emphasis, BA*
  ELL/Bilingual Education Emphasis, BA
  Literature Emphasis, BA*
  English Language Learners & Bilingual Education, BAE
Environmental Education, BA
Environmental Policy, BA
Environmental Science
  Environmental Science, BS
  Freshwater & Terrestrial Ecology
    Emphasis, BS
  Marine Science Emphasis, BS
  Toxicology Emphasis, BS
  Environmental Studies, BA*
  Environmental Studies/Journalism, BA
Exceptionality & Disability, BAE

F
Fairhaven College of Interdisciplinary Studies
  Interdisciplinary Concentration, BA, BAE
  Interdisciplinary Concentration
    – Law, Diversity & Justice Emphasis, BA
Financial Economics, BA
French, BA*
French/German, BA
French/Spanish, BA

G
General Science (Elementary, Middle or Secondary), BAE
Geography, BA*
Geography/Social Studies, BA
Geology, BA, BS
Geophysics, BS
German, BA*
German/Spanish, BA
**H**
History, **BA**
History/Social Studies, **BA**
Humanities
History of Culture, **BA**
Humanities & Social Sciences
Student/Faculty Designed Major, **BA, BS**
Huxley College of the Environment
Student/Faculty Designed Major, **BA, BS**

**P**
Philosophy, **BA**
Physical Education & Health P-12, **BAE**
Physics, **BS**
Political Science, **BA**
Political Science/Social Studies, **BA**
Politics/Philosophy/Economics, **BA**
Psychology, **BS**
Public Health, **BS**

**R**
Recreation Management & Leadership, **BA**
Religion & Culture, **BA**

**S**
Science Education, **BAE**
Secondary Education Professional Program
Sociology, **BA, BS**
Sociology/Social Studies, **BA**
Spanish, **BA**
Special Education, **BAE**
Statistics, **BS**

**T**
Theatre, **BA**

**U**
Urban Planning & Sustainable Development, **BA**

**W**
Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies, **BA**

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**ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES**

In addition to bachelor's degrees, you can enrich your experience through the Honors Program, Distinguished Scholars programs, certificates, and **90+ minors**, including:

- Arabic & Islamic Studies
- Arts Enterprise & Cultural Innovation
- Business Analytics
- Cybersecurity
- Entrepreneurship & Innovation
- Environmental Justice
- Exceptionality and Disability
- Film Studies
- Holocaust and Genocide Studies
- Honors
- International Studies
- Leadership Studies
- Queer Studies
- Raza Latina Studies
- Salish Sea Studies
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics)
- Sustainable Design
- User Experience (UX) Design
- Women's Literature

**PRE-PROFESSIONAL PATHWAYS**

While these are not majors, pre-professional pathways can be incorporated into or taken alongside the **175+ majors** offered at Western.

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

**BUILD YOUR OWN MAJOR**

Through Western's Fairhaven College of Interdisciplinary Studies, students can design their own majors, called interdisciplinary concentrations. Fairhaven faculty work closely with students through intensive advising and classes of 15-20 students. Curriculum focuses on social and environmental justice and diversity.
Sustainability is at the heart of what we do here. Our Huxley College of the Environment was innovative at its birth in 1970, and today those ideals have spread to every corner of campus.

Now, 50 years later, Huxley is a recognized leader in producing the next generation of environmental professionals and stewards. We have an institute dedicated to developing innovative technological and business solutions to transform energy systems, and a program that takes students out of the classroom and into Washington communities to solve real problems for real cities. If you’re passionate about the environment, you’ll be in good company here.
Western joined more than 180 other university presidents, 125 mayors, nine governors and almost 1,000 businesses in signing the Grand Coalition Statement on the Paris Agreement.

We have purchased 100 percent renewable energy since students voted in 2004 to pay a yearly fee for the program.

In 1971, a small group of Western students started one of the first campus recycling programs in the country. Today, the Associated Students (AS) Recycle Center diverts upwards of 4,000 pounds of recyclable material daily.
Learn from the OUTSIDE
THE PERFECT ENVIRONMENT TO STUDY THE ENVIRONMENT

With the Mount Baker Wilderness, Bellingham Bay and more than 20 rivers and creeks in our backyard, Western is an incredible place for outdoor research. So get outside and research your world.

100 miles of Salish Sea shoreline
17 protected natural areas
10 lakes
22 rivers and creeks
WE THROW POOL PARTIES FOR SALMON

Students in Environmental Science Professor Jim Helfield’s class are helping the migration of Chinook salmon, whose populations are suffering as river temperatures rise. In collaboration with tribal governments, they’re building river log jams that form deep, cold pools for the salmon to rest in as they make their way upstream.

1,500 miles of trails in the Mount Baker Wilderness

92,000 population of Bellingham, WA

663 inches of annual snowfall at Mount Baker Ski Area

34°F - 74°F typical weather: pleasantly mild and temperate
AMONG THE TOP 10 BEST COLLEGE TOWNS IN 2019 – REVIEWS.ORG

LIVE AND LEARN
in a place students love to call
HOME.

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Join the Associated Students (AS) – Whether you want to start a club or run for student body president, the AS makes it easy to get involved. The AS provides student leadership on campus, registers students to vote and produces awesome campus concerts, cultural events, engaging speakers series, and so much more.

250+ student-run clubs and organizations – You’ll find clubs for every interest, including academic, cultural, art, environmental, recreational, and many more.

Outdoors – The AS Outdoor Center will outfit you with everything you need for backpacking, hiking, skiing, or mountain biking. Resources include equipment rentals, a bike shop, outdoor excursions, educational materials, instructional clinics, and knowledgeable staff.

Western’s state-of-the-art Wade King Student Recreation Center has a rock climbing wall, a pool, an indoor track, weight rooms, a cardio floor and much more. The Sehome Arboretum borders campus and offers easy access to 180 acres of woods, six miles of trails and quiet study nooks. At Western’s Underground Coffeehouse you can hear live music, study with a good cup of coffee or just hang out with friends on comfy couches. From kayaking to sailing to paddleboarding, Western’s Lakewood property is water sports central.
Western is a fierce NCAA Division II competitor, but when it comes to athletics it’s less about watching the competition and more about getting involved. So whether you’re an aspiring NCAA athlete, want to try new sports, or prefer cheering from the bleachers, there are many ways to show Viking pride.

**NCAA Division II sports:** basketball, soccer, cross country, indoor and outdoor track and field, golf, and women’s softball, volleyball and rowing

**23 club sports:** some of the most popular are baseball, volleyball, rugby, lacrosse, ultimate, and softball

Popular **intramural sports** include badminton, dodgeball, flag football, kickball, racquetball, indoor soccer, and tennis
New students who meet deadlines are prioritized for housing their first year.

Regardless of which residence hall you choose, the cost is the same, but prices vary depending on the number of occupants.

You can request to live with a friend, let us assign you a roommate, or search for one using our portal.

Find your fit: choices include quiet, substance-free, gender-inclusive, Honors Program and international community options.

Your residence hall is more than just a place to sleep — it’s your community. Living on campus makes it easy to connect, get involved and access campus resources right at your fingertips. It’s the complete Western experience.
Through the advocacy work of students of color on Western's campus, the Multicultural Center opened in 2019 and allowed for an expansion of the Ethnic Student Center (ESC), the Student Advocacy and Identity Resource Centers and more. The ESC is made up of 19 different clubs all working together to affirm identities, build a sense of community and cultivate leadership. For almost 30 years the ESC has been called a home away from home for many students of color on Western's campus. Many students within the ESC have become leaders on campus and in the community.

**ETHNIC STUDENT CENTER CLUBS**

- African Caribbean Club
- Arab Student Association
- Black Student Union
- Blue Group
- Chinese Student Association
- Filipino-American Student Association
- Japanese Student Association
- Khmer Student Association
- Korean Student Association
- Latinx Student Union
- Movimiento Estudiantil Chicanx de Aztlán (MEChA)
- Middle Eastern Student Association
- Mixed Identity Student Organization
- Native American Student Union
- Oceanic Student Association
- Queer Trans People of Color
- South Asian Student Association
- Vietnamese Student Association
- Western Hmong Student Association
At Western, your education will be transformative. You will learn to reason your way through complex problems, be encouraged to think outside the box, and be supported as you explore new solutions to our world’s most pressing problems.
Designed a tiny home to address affordable housing and environmental sustainability needs. When completed, the house will produce at least as much energy as it consumes.

Developed the first completely transparent solar window.

Brought electricity-producing stationary bikes to the Student Recreation Center, reducing its electrical footprint.

Launched one of the first residence hall composting programs in the country.

Created one of the first campus recycling programs in the nation.

Even before earning their degrees, Western students...
The Bellingham community is loaded with art: the Downtown Art Walk (first Friday every month), the Commercial Street Night Market (Friday nights during the summer), live music nearly every night, three main theaters for live performances, three independent film screens, and several museums.
WHEN YOU'RE LOCATED BETWEEN SEATTLE AND VANCOUVER, B.C., YOU HAVE THE BENEFIT OF SEEING INCREDIBLE ARTISTS AND POPULAR MUSICIANS AS THEY PASS THROUGH TOWN. NONE OF THESE SHOWS COME CLOSE TO THE 2019 RETURN OF ODESZA AND DEATH CAB FOR CUTIE TO THE TOWN WHERE IT ALL BEGAN.

THE SHOW WAS A HOMECOMING FOR BOTH BANDS, HAVING FORMED WHEN THEIR MEMBERS WERE STUDENTS AT WESTERN. IN APPRECIATION FOR THE SCHOOL AND THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM, NET PROCEEDS FROM THE SHOW WERE DONATED TO WESTERN'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT.

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<td>art and art history majors to choose from</td>
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<td>of the Top 10 outdoor sculpture collections in the country with over 35 installations throughout the campus</td>
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WE’LL CONNECT YOU WITH INTERNSHIPS.
Western students have interned for Microsoft, Boeing, the Washington State Legislature, Merrill Lynch, REI, Swedish Hospital, the Seattle Mariners, the White House, Tesla, NASA, the National Wildlife Federation, the United Nations, K2 Sports, and many more.

WESTERN IS IN THE TOP 5 IN THE NATION for grads who go on to earn research doctorates among master’s granting institutions.
—Survey of Earned Doctorates

WOODRING COLLEGE OF EDUCATION IS CONSISTENTLY ONE OF THE TOP 3 annual producers of new educators in the state of Washington; 20% of all Washington State teachers are WWU grads teaching in more than 50 school districts.

5 STUDENTS AND GRADUATES received Fulbright Scholarships for the 2019-20 year.

74% OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICTS HAVE A WWU ALUMNUS among their certificated staff of teachers, administrators and others; in Western Washington, 93% of districts do.


89% OF BACHELOR’S RECIPIENTS are either employed or continuing their education within 6 months of graduating.
—2017-2018 Graduate Outcomes Report

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JESSE MOORE
’05, Political Science
Former Obama Administration Associate Director for Public Engagement; founder and principal consultant at Common Thread Strategies

KATIE BROWN
’00, Cultural Anthropology, Secondary Education
2014 Washington State Teacher of the Year

DEBORA JUAREZ
’83, Interdisciplinary Studies
Attorney; former King County judge; first Native American on Seattle City Council

VINI ELIZABETH SAMUEL
’84, History and English
Attorney; first female mayor of Montesano, Wash.; first Indian-American woman elected mayor in the country

JESSE MOORE
’05, Political Science
Former Obama Administration Associate Director for Public Engagement; founder and principal consultant at Common Thread Strategies

HARRISON MILLS
’12, Graphic Design
CLAYTON KNIGHT
’12, Physics
Founders of two-time GRAMMY-nominated ODESZA

116,000+ ALUMNI

TJ MARTIN
’05, Interdisciplinary Studies
2012 Academy Award winner "Undefeated"; 2017 Emmy Award winner "LA 92"
COST OF ATTENDANCE

Earning a college degree is one of the smartest decisions you will make. At thousands of dollars less than private colleges and large research universities, you will find that Western is a great value, and competitive in terms of quality and cost.

2020-2021 ESTIMATED ANNUAL COSTS

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<td>Personal Expenses**</td>
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<td>Total Cost of Attendance</td>
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Costs represent annual expenses for full-time students (10-18 credits)
* Fees include a one-time enrollment confirmation fee, technology, health services, student recreation center, public transportation, etc.
** Not fixed costs; varies depending on student, living arrangements and meal plan
SCHOLARSHIPS + FINANCIAL AID

At Western, there are a number of resources available to help you and your family with college expenses.

• Scholarships recognize academic achievement, leadership potential, special talents and multicultural achievement. Scholarships for non-resident students include our highly-competitive Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program.

• Everyone can apply for need-based financial aid and low-interest loans.

• Eligible students have access to need-based work study (FAFSA dependent) and other on- and off-campus employment opportunities.

IMPORTANT DATES

For the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Washington Application for State Financial Aid* (WASFA)

• **October 1** – FAFSA and WASFA applications open
• **January 31** – Western’s priority filing deadline for FAFSA and WASFA

*Washington residents ineligible to complete the FAFSA due to immigration status may apply for state financial aid by completing the Washington Application for State Financial Aid

Western’s FAFSA School Code is: 003802.

MORE THAN 65% of students at Western receive some form of financial aid, including grants, scholarships, loans, and work-study.

Western disbursed more than $23 MILLION in scholarships during the 2018-2019 academic year.

ESTIMATE YOUR COSTS:

Find our Net Price Calculator at admissions.wwu.edu/net-price-calc
Standing out in the

ADMISSION PROCESS

While your academic achievement is the most significant factor in the admission decision, we know there is a lot more to you than your GPA.

Get involved. We want to learn how you’re involved in your school and community, and about the interests, passions and talents you will bring to campus. That’s why our application review considers your grade trends, course rigor, contributions to community, achievements, and diverse experiences, as well as your GPA and test scores, if provided.

Challenge yourself. Take classes that push you to think in new ways, explore tough topics, and support you in becoming a well-rounded student. A full load of standard academic courses, Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), Cambridge International, Running Start or other College-in-the-High-School and Honors courses provide an excellent foundation for college success.

RESOURCES

For a full list of high school course requirements, visit: admissions.wwu.edu/fy-reqs

Our Admissions Counselors are here to help—connect with your counselor: admissions.wwu.edu/team

2020 ADMITTED FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS
BY THE NUMBERS*

*Due to disruptions caused by COVID-19, many 2020 applicants were reviewed without test scores. 2021 applications are test optional. Test policies for 2022 and beyond have yet to be determined.

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<td><strong>In the fall and early winter students should:</strong></td>
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<td>• Take the SAT or ACT (2021 applications are test optional)</td>
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<td>• Request to have high school transcripts sent</td>
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<td>• Visit campus, in person or online</td>
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<td>• Contact our helpful Admissions Counselors with questions</td>
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<td><em><em>File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA)</em> beginning October 1. Your FAFSA or WASFA must be submitted by January 31 (Western’s priority filing date) to be considered for the most favorable financial aid. File the FAFSA at fafsa.gov — Western’s school code is 003802. File the WASFA at readysetgrad.org/wasfa.</em>*</td>
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<td><strong>Why wait? Students who complete their admission application by November 1 will be considered for Early Action, which guarantees an admission response by December 31 as well as expedited scholarship review and financial aid notification for admitted Early Action students. Students admitted to Western via Early Action have until the May 1 National College Decision Day to confirm their intent to enroll.</strong></td>
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| December        | Financial aid award notification begins for admitted Early Action students who submitted a valid FAFSA for financial aid consideration at Western. |

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<td><strong>Last day to submit your application for fall quarter to Western before it’s marked late. Admission decisions are made on a rolling basis — most applicants will receive an admission decision by early April. On-time applicants get full consideration for merit scholarships. Merit scholarship recipients are notified by mid-April.</strong></td>
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VIRTUAL CONNECTIONS
Explore campus from wherever you are with our virtual visit options, including virtual campus tours and student panels, one-on-one video chats with Admissions Counselors, and more.

CAMPUS TOURS
Spend time exploring our beautiful campus, which offers views of the bay and easy access to outdoor recreation and Bellingham’s vibrant downtown.

• Take a tour of campus with a current student and learn about Western’s admissions process.
• Arrange to meet with academic departments.
• ¡Se ofrecen giras del campus en español!

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES
Large open-house style events for prospective students occur in the fall and spring. Check our website for the most up-to-date information regarding special visit opportunities.

DISCOVERY DAYS
In addition to a campus tour, our Discovery Days program includes an admissions presentation and a panel where you and your family can ask questions of an Admissions Counselor and current students. You’ll also have the opportunity to visit academic departments, learn about student support resources, tour the Wade King Student Recreation Center, and more.

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