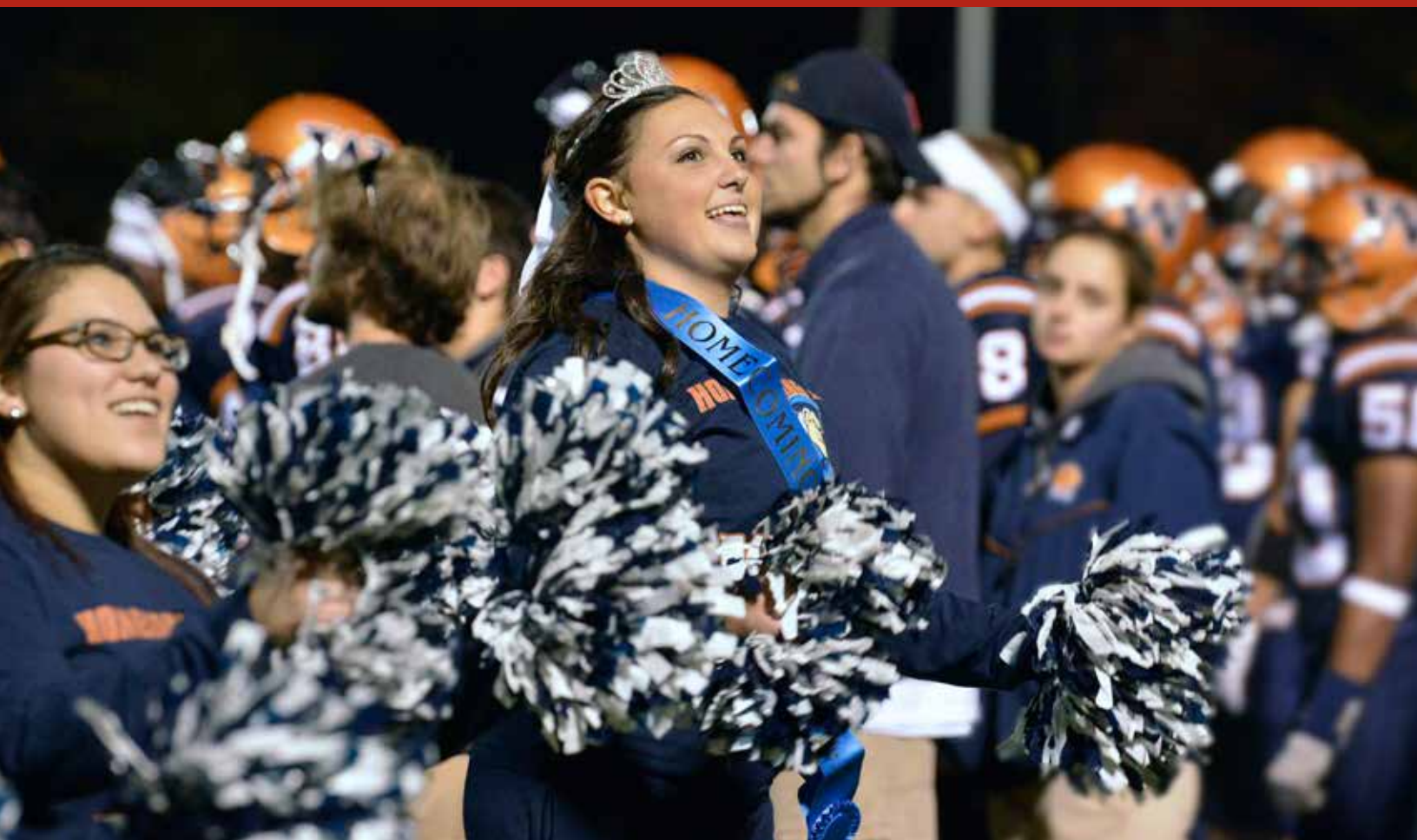


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SCHOOLS IN THE REGION, **BUT**  
**WCSU JUST FELT RIGHT TO ME."**

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# WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY MIDTOWN CAMPUS



## WELCOME TO WESTERN!

Your decision to take a look at our university gives us a great opportunity to do something we love doing: showing off the many real advantages of being part of Western Connecticut State University.

Advantages such as being seen as an individual rather than just one of a vast number of students. That's because Western is a small- to mid-size university able to limit class sizes so you can be heard in class discussions and get one-on-one instructor help when needed.

This is also a university where you may select from a wide range of relevant academic programs. Where you will learn from accomplished faculty in facilities such as our beautiful new Visual & Performing Arts Center and the technology you'll have access to is state of the art.

We look forward to meeting you, hopefully at our Open House in November or as a guest on a campus tour.

**JAY MURRAY**, DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS

# 50 UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

[**BOLD** indicates major; followed by available concentrations]

**ACCOUNTING** Financial, Managerial

**AMERICAN STUDIES**

**ANTHROPOLOGY/SOCIOLOGY**

**APPLIED COMPUTING\***

**ART** Graphic Design, Illustration, Photography, Studio Art

**BIOLOGY**

**BIOLOGY** Bioscience, Ecological

**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/UNDECLARED**

**CHEMISTRY**

**CHEMISTRY/BIOCHEMISTRY**

**COMMUNICATION** Communication Studies, Relational

**COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**DIGITAL & INTERACTIVE MEDIA\***

**EARTH & PLANETARY SCIENCES**

**ECONOMICS**

**EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY 1-6)** Interdisciplinary

**EDUCATION (SECONDARY 7-12)**

Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, English, History  
w/ Social Studies minor, Mathematics, Spanish

**ENGLISH**

**FINANCE** Financial Management, Financial Investments & Markets

**HEALTH EDUCATION (PK-12)**

**HEALTH PROMOTION STUDIES**

Allied Health; Community Health; Holistic & Integrative;  
Wellness Management

**HISTORY**

**JUSTICE & LAW ADMINISTRATION**

Corrections, Law Enforcement, Legal Studies, Paralegal Studies,  
Criminology

**LIBERAL ARTS** (2-year Associate or 4-year B.A. \*)

**MANAGEMENT** Human Resources, Small Business & Entrepreneurial,  
Supervisory

**MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

**MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS:  
INFORMATION SECURITY**

**MARKETING**

**MARKETING: DIGITAL & INTERACTIVE MATHEMATICS**

**MATHEMATICS: COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**MEDIA ARTS** Media Studies, Production

**METEOROLOGY**

**MUSIC**

**MUSIC: AUDIO & MUSIC PRODUCTION**

**MUSIC: JAZZ STUDIES**

**MUSIC: PERFORMANCE**

**MUSIC EDUCATION (K-12)**

**MUSICAL THEATRE**

**NURSING**

**NURSING: RN TO BSN**

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**PROFESSIONAL WRITING**

Business, Creative, General, Journalism/Freelance, Public Relations

**PSYCHOLOGY**

**SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**SOCIAL SCIENCES** Anthropology/Sociology, Family, Global,  
Multicultural

**SOCIAL WORK**

**SPANISH**

**THEATRE ARTS** Design/Technology, Drama Studies, Management,  
Performance

**UNDECLARED**

\* PENDING BOARD OF REGENTS APPROVAL

**PLUS ... 16 GRADUATE PROGRAMS, INCLUDING  
TWO DOCTORAL DEGREES!**

VISIT [WCSU.EDU/GRADUATE](http://WCSU.EDU/GRADUATE) FOR DETAILS.

*"Western's excellent faculty and the engaging classes I had while earning my history degree led me to choose WCSU again when I decided to return for nursing."*

DENNIS FITZGERALD '10, '15

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**Dale Osterman** graduated this past May with a Bachelor of Music in Audio and Music Production. It was a financially sound decision, he said, especially with the merit scholarship award he received and acceptance into the university's Kathwari Honors Program. He praised his School of Visual & Performing Arts experiences for having helped him grow as a musician.

“AT WCSU, I WORKED IN MULTIPLE MUSIC GENRES, LEARNED ABOUT THE INDUSTRY, **AND WROTE AND RECORDED MY OWN WORKS** — ALL WHILE STILL HAVING LESSONS ON MY CELLO.”

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*"WCSU offered what I needed. The meteorology program gives you a full range of exposure. This is the only full-fledged, operational meteorology program in the New York metropolitan area."*

MICHAEL LOMBARDI '08, B.S., METEOROLOGY

*"There is a vast amount of support at WCSU, such as the Math Lab, the Writing Center, professors who will bend over backwards to help you succeed ... I can only hope to carry with me the tone and voices of the professors who have influenced, molded and shaped my academic life."*

SARAH HALL '12, B.A., ANTHROPOLOGY

*"I was accepted everywhere I applied and chose to come to Western. Shortly after, I was accepted into the Kathwari Honors Program. My experience with the program and at the university was so great that I wish I had not wasted the money to apply anywhere else."*

MERRITT SCHNEIDER '14, B.B.A., FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING

# ACADEMICALLY SOLID

The nearly 80 majors and concentrations you can choose from at Western are designed to give you the skills and knowledge demanded by employers with twenty-first-century requirements.

Western has a 112-year history of developing student potential, and thereby changing lives in myriad positive ways. Whether your interest is in business, health services, education, science or the arts, the courses you take and faculty who instruct and mentor you will prepare you for success in our increasingly competitive world.

*"Western's nursing program allowed me to witness amazing things, such as the birth of a baby and an incredible open-heart surgery. My nursing professors were always available to give advice and push me to step out of my comfort zone to excel in everything I do. I am very thankful for the opportunity to have studied nursing at WCSU."*

BRITTANY LORENTI '15, B.S., NURSING



**Corey Paris**, who earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science here in 2014, was president of the WCSU Student Government Association prior to graduating. Born in Arkansas, Paris transferred to WCSU from a college in Kansas after visiting Connecticut. Immediately after graduation, he was offered a role with the Clinton Global Initiative.

“WESTERN’S LOCATION — JUST AN HOUR FROM NEW YORK CITY — ALLOWED ME TO **PURSUE AN INTERNSHIP WITH THE CLINTON GLOBAL INITIATIVE IN MANHATTAN.**”

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*"As a musical theatre major at Western, I could go back and forth to New York City on auditions and callbacks. I was able to get to class and an audition. A major plus!"*

CORINNE LYNETTER MARSHALL '15, B.A., MUSICAL THEATRE PERFORMANCE

*"I was able to complete a busy season tax internship with PricewaterhouseCoopers in their Stamford Office. My internship experience was amazing and full of hands-on learning that I would not trade for anything"*

EMMA OLOWINIA '15, B.B.A., MANAGEMENT

*"As I've traveled more [through the International Student Exchange Program at Western], I realized I have that bug for international development work. There are so many things in this world. You need something to be inspired."*

AUDRIANA BLACKWELL '15, B.S. SOCIAL SCIENCES

*"There is something about this area in general that is attractive to me. Connecticut has always been 'home' in my heart, and New England is such a wonderfully diverse part of the country."*

SEAN CONGDON '14, B.A., PSYCHOLOGY

# STRATEGICALLY LOCATED

## Be where the action is.

WCSU is situated the southwest corner of New England, only minutes from major highways that connect us with a variety of cities and many states. *The advantages for our students are huge:*

- **Getting out and about** Here, you're just an hour from NYC for great entertainment, museums, sports, and class trips to Wall Street; and you're only about three hours from Boston.
- **What a draw!** Our metro location means we're able to bring accomplished faculty and famous guest speakers to campus.
- **Love shopping?** The huge Danbury Fair Mall is nearby, where you'll also find many unique downtown shops, diverse restaurants and historic sites.
- **Nature buff?** Woods, hiking trails, ski areas: we've got 'em!
- **Sun worshipper?** The state's largest body of fresh water, Candlewood Lake, is just minutes from campus.

## Great location = Great internships!

With the active business, health and education centers of Danbury and other cities so accessible, our Career Development Center helps you gain valuable work experience with internships at firms and organizations such as:

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Area public school districts          | AXA Advisors                  |
| Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation | Union Savings Bank            |
| Danbury Hospital                      | State of Connecticut          |
| Boys & Girls Clubs                    | Southbury Training School     |
| Danbury Pediatrics                    | Praxair                       |
| United Way                            | Headstart                     |
| Wilton Youth Services                 | Connecticut Junior Republic   |
| Weir Farm                             | MCCA Sobering Center          |
| Cartus, Inc.                          | United Technologies           |
| Boehringer Ingelheim                  | Morganti                      |
| Merrill Lynch                         | Amphenol                      |
| Pitney Bowes                          | PriceWaterhouseCoopers        |
| GE Capital                            | Ethan Allen, Inc.             |
| Pepsi Co.                             | Penn Gardner Public Relations |
| Unilever                              | NBC Universal                 |

**Britany Sequiera** studied human resource law in her management program at Western, graduating in 2012. As a student, she obtained an internship through our Career Development Center. The internship was at a major international corporation in the Danbury area, and Sequiera was hired there for a full-time position – which she described as her “dream job” – immediately after graduation.

“I LEARNED NEGOTIATION AND TALENT ACQUISITIONS AT WCSU. BUT **I WOULDN'T BE WHERE I AM TODAY IF NOT FOR THE CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER.**”

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*"At Western, I made connections that helped place me in positions to advance my career and leadership skills. My advice to students is: Talk to everyone, join clubs ... you'll be amazed at how much you can grow in your years at Western as long as you put yourself out there."*

EMILY STALEY '13, B.A., ART - PHOTOGRAPHY

*"I was recruited to play baseball by other universities. I came here because of the vibe, and (after) I watched a practice ... I got to stay on a recruiting visit with some players on the team. Western met all the criteria."*

CONOR BIERFELDT '14, B.B.A., MARKETING

*"Here, I learned to be professional not just in class but with my peers. I would tell students to get involved on campus because you'll have a lot more fun in class if you feel like you're making a difference outside of it."*

EMILY COLE '11, B.A., ENGLISH

*"WCSU had everything I wanted .... I could major in JLA and play softball and volleyball here at Western. We went to the NCAA tournament three times and to the IEC. Winning is a feeling almost indescribable until you get to experience it for yourself."*

NINA WOJTKIEWICZ '15, B.S., JUSTICE AND LAW ADMINISTRATION

# ACTIVE & INVOLVED

## Something's always happening.

Open Mic Night at the Coffeehouse, Frisbee on the Quad, plays at the Visual & Performing Arts Center: just a few of the many ways to have fun at WCSU.

## Join in, join up — You're invited!

Show off your moves in the Gaming Club or on the Dance Team. Be part of Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots environmental organization. *Great voice?* Sing with an a capella group! Adventure, Swim, play Rugby – there are clubs for these and more. Take part, make friends, shape memories that last.

## What's the takeaway for you?

Whether its having your voice heard in the Student Government Association or volunteering with your fraternity, you'll gain important leadership and organizational skills. For a new graduate, nothing says "Hire that person!" like a resume that includes meaningful roles in campus clubs and organizations.

## Athletics: *Playing hard is easy here.*

Movement exercises the body ... and the mind. Here, you'll have any number of ways to stay fit and stave off those "freshman fifteen." Just cheering on our Colonials as they take on rival teams burns fat! But the best way to do it? Get out there and *play*.

- **Excellent facilities** Including an Athletics Complex with 2,500-seat stadium and our 80,000-square-foot O'Neill Center with its pool, arena and more. Ball fields, basketball and tennis courts, fitness centers — *we've got recreation down.*
- **Intramural and club sports** let you take advantage of these facilities in games ranging from 5-on-5 basketball to softball, dodgeball and soccer. Don't see something? *Organize it!*

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NCAA Div. III sports teams

Baseball (M)  
Basketball (M,W)  
Football (M)  
Lacrosse (M,W)

Soccer (M,W)  
Field Hockey (W)  
Tennis (M,W)  
Swimming & Diving (W)

Volleyball (W)  
Softball (W)

**Juliana Marques '07** earned her B.B.A. in Financial Accounting at Western and during that time interned at an area corporation. Marques said she chose Western for its inclusiveness, location, and proximity to so many businesses and job opportunities. She is currently working in corporate tax law at Baker & McKenzie, one of the world's top law firms.

**"I WAS MAKING THREE TIMES WHAT I SPENT ON MY WCSU EDUCATION AT MY FIRST JOB AFTER GRADUATING. I MAKE ABOUT 10 TIMES THAT NOW."**

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*"The course load that I undertook at WCSU, and the great professors and advisor I had, helped to prepare me for my position in one of the largest clinical research organizations in the industry."*

RYAN LUDDY '09, B.A., JIA/CRIMINOLOGY  
(LUDDY IS A DRUG & SAFETY MANAGER FOR COVANCE, INC.)

*"My professors at Western and the [university's] Weather Center left lasting impressions on me and gave me the knowledge to be successful in my career in weather broadcasting."*

KERRI COPELLO '11, B.S., METEOROLOGY  
(RIGHT AFTER GRADUATING, COPELLO BECAME A METEOROLOGIST FOR WFXL-FOX 31 IN GEORGIA)

*"Going to Western gave me an advantage. I have a lot of friends and coworkers who went to larger schools with higher tuition, and they are still paying off those debts. WCSU allowed me to earn an equal education and degree while not leaving me at a financial disadvantage once I entered the corporate workplace."*

ROBERT MCKNIGHT '07, B.A., COMMUNICATION  
(MCKNIGHT IS NOW A DIGITAL MANAGER FOR NBC SPORTS)

# FOCUSED ON YOU!

Students today look forward to careers worth the time, energy and dollars they'll invest in order to prepare for them. According to Payscale.com, Western's return on investment is the second highest of Connecticut's 19 public colleges and universities. While we're proud of that statistic, there is no greater proof of the success our alumni achieve than the satisfaction they report taking in their work. With world centers of industry, healthcare, the arts and international cooperation only minutes away, WCSU students enjoy the great advantage of pursuing internships while here and winning career-level jobs after graduation.

## Where are our graduates working?

**Alfiya Menconi '08** (B.A., Graphic Design/Illustration),  
*Web designer, Eileen Fisher, Inc.*  
**Schuyler Merritt '09** (B.A., Am. Studies/Political Science)  
*Operations Consultant, Asia America Initiative*  
**Gisela Dias '10** (B.S., Nursing), ICU nurse, Danbury Hospital  
**Brendan Wixted '13** (B.A., Photography)  
*Photographer, Consumer Reports*  
**Katie Marsan '13** (B.S., Music Education), Fulbright Scholar,  
*Music teacher, Farmington Public Schools*  
**Merritt Schneider '14** (B.B.A., Financial Accounting)  
*Accountant, Ernst & Young*

Sikorsky	Aetna
Ethan Allen Global	Cigna Health Care
U.S. Secret Service	Pepsi
IBM	WWE
FactSet Research Systems	AFLAC
ESPN	MNA Creative
NBC Universal	Fosina Marketing Group
State of Connecticut	Barnum Financial Group
Praxair	Northwestern Mutual
PricewaterhouseCoopers	Credit Suisse
Boehringer Ingelheim	LEGO Systems
Ernst & Young	United Way
Cartus	WTNH-News 8



# LET'S MEET, SOON.

Visitors to Western often comment on the incredible changes the university has made to its two campuses. It's true: Beautiful new facilities and landscaping have surely enhanced the look and enriched the learning atmosphere of this school.

**One thing that has not changed, however, is the warm welcome you will find waiting for you here.** Come see us, and experience our friendly, helpful Admissions personnel as they answer your questions about programs and the admission process. Participate in our popular spring Shadow program or take a tour led by one of our student guides who can talk in real terms about what it's like to be a WCSU student. Scheduled throughout the week—including select Saturdays in the fall—our tours are a perfect way for you to really get to know Western!



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