

# WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

<http://www.wcu.edu/>

## Brief Description

A comprehensive university offering programs at the baccalaureate, master's, intermediate, and doctoral (education) levels. Its instructional programs are organized in four undergraduate colleges (applied sciences, arts and sciences, business, and education and allied professions) and a graduate school. Offers resident-credit, undergraduate, and graduate-level courses and programs in Cherokee and Asheville. In Asheville, some of the undergraduate programs are offered in cooperation with the University of North Carolina at Asheville. Western Carolina University is committed to equality of opportunity. Western Carolina University is a College Sponsor of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

## History

Founded in 1889 and chartered in 1891; became Cullowhee State Normal and Industrial School in 1905. Designated Western Carolina Teachers College in 1929. Renamed Western Carolina College in 1953 and designated a regional university in 1967. Merged into the University of North Carolina in 1972.

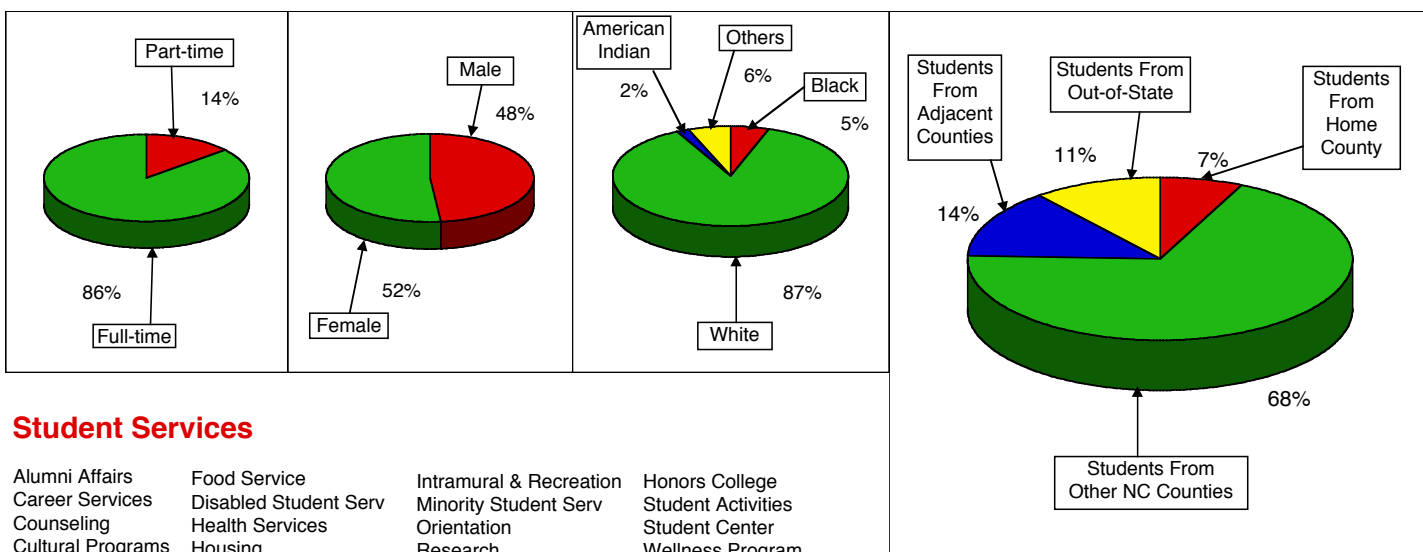
## Location

Cullowhee (population: 6,700), located in a valley near the Blue Ridge and Great Smoky Mountains, 52 miles southwest of Asheville and 6 miles south of Sylva. Its setting at the southern end of Cullowhee Valley along the Tuckasegee River is unusually attractive.

## Academic Calendar (2001-2002)

Class Periods				Vacations/Holidays		
Fall Term	Spring Term	Summer Terms	Commencement	Fall Break	Winter Break	Spring Break
8/20-12/18	1/9-5/10	6/3-7/5, 7/8-8/9	12/15, 5/11	10/6-10/9	12/19-1/8	3/9-3/15

## Undergraduate Enrollment (Fall 2001):



## Student Services

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alumni Affairs</li> <li>Career Services</li> <li>Counseling</li> <li>Cultural Programs</li> <li>Discipline/Judiciary</li> <li>Computer Labs</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food Service</li> <li>Disabled Student Serv</li> <li>Health Services</li> <li>Housing</li> <li>Intercollegiate Athletics</li> <li>International Students</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intramural &amp; Recreation</li> <li>Minority Student Serv</li> <li>Orientation</li> <li>Research</li> <li>Public Safety Office</li> <li>Frat.: 15/Sororities: 9</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Honors College</li> <li>Student Activities</li> <li>Student Center</li> <li>Wellness Program</li> <li>Learn.Assist.Prog.</li> <li>Veterans</li> </ul> |
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## Est. Annual Student Costs (2001-2002)

Tuition	in-state	\$1,072
	out-of-state	\$8,994
Required Fees		\$1,171
Room	(double occupancy)	\$1,780
Board	(full meal plan)	\$2,230
Books*		\$500
Other Expenses	in-state	\$1,782
	out-of-state	\$2,250
<b>Total Student Budget</b>		
	in-state	\$8,535
	out-of-state	\$16,925

\*Includes book rental, additional books, and supplies.

## Student Financial Aid, 2000-2001

% of Freshmen Receiving Any Aid	65.2%
% of Freshmen Receiving Any Need-Based Aid	40.1%
% of Full-Time Undergrad. Students Receiving Pell Grants	27.4%

**Scholarship Programs:** Numerous scholarships and other forms of financial aid available; consult campus catalog and contact Financial Aid Office.

<b>Priority Application Filing Date:</b>	March 31
<b>Earliest Date of Award Notification:</b>	March 15
<b>Latest Date of Award Notification:</b>	Throughout the year

Note: Dates given above are approximate. Actual dates may vary from year to year. Consult campus catalog.

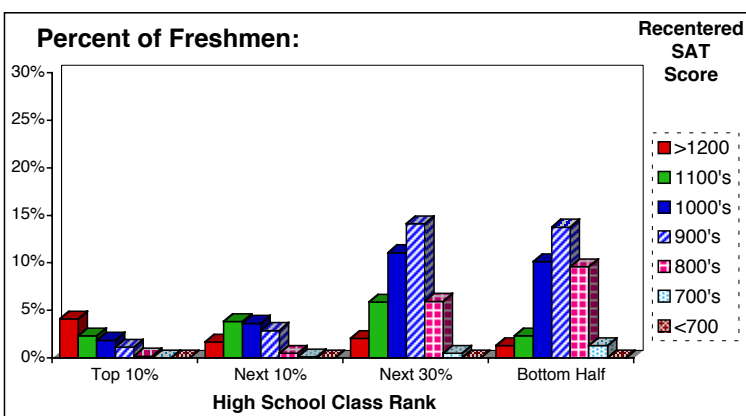
**Director of Student Financial Aid:** Ms. Nancy Dillard  
**Telephone Number:** 828-227-7290

## Freshman Class Profile (Fall 2001)\*

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High School Class Rank	Combined Recentered SAT Score							Total
	1200 or more	1100-1199	1000-1099	900-999	800-899	700-799	<700	
Top 10%	44	25	20	12	2	0	0	103
Next 10%	18	41	39	31	5	1	0	135
Next 30%	22	63	119	152	64	5	0	425
Bottom Half	14	25	109	148	103	14	0	413
Total	98	154	287	343	174	20	0	1,076

\*Includes only freshmen with SAT scores and a reported high school class rank.



## Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered (2000-2001)

Bachelor's Degrees Conferred: 1,042

### Discipline Area Specific Majors (Number of Bachelor's Degrees Conferred)

<b>Agric. Bus./Sciences</b>	
<b>Conservation &amp; Ren.</b>	Natural Resources Mgmt & Policy(24)
<b>Arch. &amp; Env. Des.</b>	
<b>Area, Ethnic Studies</b>	
<b>Biological Sciences</b>	Biology, General(25)
<b>Business &amp; Mgmt.</b>	Business Adm & Mgmt(47),Accounting(23),Business/Managerial Econ(9),Finance(19), Hospitality Mgmt(10),International Bus(11),Mgmt Info Systems(55),Bus Mkt Mgmt(65)
<b>Communications</b>	Communications, General(54)
<b>Computer &amp; Info Sci</b>	Computer Science(11)
<b>Education</b>	Special Ed(10),Elementary(72),Jr High(42),Pre-Elementary(6),Art(0), English(9), Home Econ(2), Math(5), Music(12), Phys Ed Teaching & Coaching(8), Science(0), Social Studies(6), French(0), German(2), Spanish(2)
<b>Engineering</b>	
<b>Engineering-Related</b>	Electrical, Electronic & Comm Engin(13), Industrial/Manufacturing Technology(42)
<b>Visual &amp; Perf Arts</b>	Interior Design(15), Drama/Theater Arts, Gen(6), Art, Gen(0), Fine/Studio Arts(19), Music, General(3), Music, Gen Performance(0)
<b>Foreign Lang &amp; Lit</b>	German Lang & Literature(1), French Lang & Lit(2), Spanish Lang & Lit(3)
<b>Health Professions</b>	Communication Disorders(12),Health Systems/Health Svcs(2),Med Records Adm(11), Emergency Med(13),Med Tech(8),Nursing(71),Environ Health(18),Recr Therapy(15)
<b>Home Economics</b>	Home Economics, Gen(3), Dietetics/Human Nutritional Services(12), Individual & Family Development Studies(11)
<b>Interdis. Studies</b>	
<b>English Lang./Philos.</b>	English Language & Literature, Gen(17), Philosophy(1)
<b>Liberal Arts &amp; Sci</b>	Liberal Arts & Sciences/Liberal Studies(3)
<b>Mathematics</b>	Mathematics(3)
<b>Physical Sciences</b>	Chemistry, Gen(6), Geology(3), Physics, Gen(4)
<b>Psychology</b>	Psychology, General(16)
<b>Parks, Rec. &amp; Leisure</b>	Parks, Recreation, & Leisure Facilities Mgmt(17), Sport & Fitness Admin(31)
<b>Protective/Pub. Admin</b>	Criminal Justice Studies(57), Social Work(23)
<b>Social Sciences</b>	Social Sciences,Gen(0), Anthropology(7), Geography(5), History,Gen(11), Political Science, Gen(4), Sociology(25)

## Admission Information

Director of Admissions: **Mr. Philip Cauley**  
Telephone Number: **828-227-7317, 877-WCU-4YOU**

Courses required beyond minimum requirement:

**None**

Application Fee: **\$40**

Earliest date for application to be considered for fall term: **September 1**

Latest date for application to be considered for fall term: **July 15**

Earliest date letters of decision for fall admission are expected to be sent out: **September 15**

Latest date letters of decision for fall admission are expected to be sent out: **August 5**

Note: Dates given above are approximate. Actual dates may vary from year to year. Consult campus catalog.

## Advanced Placement Accepted

Information on Advanced Placement credit granted appears in Appendix A.

## Facilities

**Campus Space** approximately 265 acres

**Residence Halls** 11 total (2 honors, 1 married)

**Special Features** Liston B. Ramsey Regional Activ. Ctr., Fully networked campus includes network ports in every classroom and two internet ports in every res. hall room, Modern Student Fitness Center

## Rates of Retention, Graduation, and Persistence for Fall First-Time Full-Time Freshmen

**Retention Rate for Fall 2000 Freshmen:**  
Freshman to Sophomore 69.4%

**Graduation Rates for Fall 1995 Freshmen:**  
After 4 Years 22.4%  
After 5 Years 43.7%  
After 6 Years\* 47.1%

**Persistence Rates for Fall 1995 Freshmen (Graduated or Still Enrolled):**  
After 4 Years 49.5%  
After 5 Years 49.4%  
After 6 Years 49.4%

\*As required by the Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act of 1990.

## Full-Time Faculty (Fall 2001)

With Doctorate or First Professional Degree 221  
Total 266