

Western Governors University

Arkansans enrolled at WGU from 2005- Present	
Type of College	Number of Enrolled
Business College	71
Information College	29
Health Information College	19
Teacher's College	134
Total Number of Enrolled	253

*Western Governors University does not hold ICAC certification from ADHECB

**WGU has NCATE accreditation for its professional education unit, but WGU education degrees do not meet Arkansas teacher licensure requirements. Therefore, Arkansans completing teacher education degrees at WGU must obtain Arkansas teacher licensure through reciprocity.

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WGU charges tuition at a flat rate every term.

A WGU term is six months in length and can begin on the first of any month. Unlike other schools, you aren't charged per course or per credit.

Tuition Rates and Fees:

As of September 1, 2011

Nursing Programs (MSN and BSN):	\$3,250 per term
B.S. Nursing (Prelicensure):	\$4,250 per term
MBA Programs:	\$3,250 per term
Business Bachelor's Programs:	\$2,890 per term
Information Technology Degrees:	\$2,890 per term
All Teachers College Programs:	\$2,890 per term
Library Fee:	\$45 per term
Application Fee:	\$65

NOTE: WGU does not "profit" from application fees, as they help offset only a small portion of enrollment and admissions costs.

Resource Fee Announcement: Beginning December 1, 2011 the \$45 per-term library fee will be replaced with a \$145 Resource Fee. This new fee will cover your use of the library, plus e-textbooks and other learning resources. On average, our recent implementation of e-textbooks is saving students around \$200 a term, and for many students it saves over \$500 a term. WGU has not raised tuition or fees since September 2008, and we intend to keep the cost of your education as affordable as possible.

Special Fees:

(apply to select programs)

- **Science Lab Fee: \$350 (one time)**
Individuals pursuing either of the science bachelor's degrees or science master's degrees that require a home science lab will be assessed this one-time charge (billed separately along with the first term's tuition).
- **Consolidated Nursing Program Fee: \$350 (one time)**
Individuals pursuing a nursing degree will be assessed a one-time charge (billed separately along with the first term's tuition).
- **Demonstration Teaching (standard): \$1,000**
Individuals in a Teachers College program that includes student teaching must pay a \$100 application fee, plus a \$900 demonstration teaching fee prior to their in-classroom teaching practicum.

- **Internship Teaching Model: \$1,900 (one time)**
Individuals in a Teachers College program that includes student teaching will be assessed a one-time charge for the Demonstration Teaching fee, either the standard fee or the Internship Model fee. The Internship Model fee applies only to those individuals who will student teach under the internship model for an entire school year.
- **Educational Leadership Practicum: \$1,000 (one time)**
Individuals pursuing the M.S. in Educational Leadership will be assessed this one-time fee in their last term as they complete their practicum experience.

How Tuition Works

WGU treats all students as "full-time" and charges tuition at a flat rate regardless of the number of competency units (credit equivalents) attempted or completed by the student. The "standard term" is based upon a full-time enrollment of at least 12 competency units for undergraduate (bachelor's) students and 8 competency units for graduate (master's) students. Students who complete more or fewer units are charged the same tuition rates (see above).

Tuition covers:

- All coursework attempted and completed, as well as learning resources, excluding textbooks, which are scheduled in the student's personalized Degree Plan.
- All assessments (subject to guidelines for individual assessments and the number of "re-takes" allowed).
- An in-depth introduction to distance and competency-based learning: WGU's introductory assessment called *Education Without Boundaries (EWB)*.
- Ongoing advising from a dedicated mentor.

Note: Tuition does not cover the cost of textbooks or select other materials required for courses.