

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

University Profile



Welcome to William Paterson University!


Public university located in Wayne, New Jersey

www.wpunj.edu

William Paterson University (WP) is a leading, public, comprehensive university dedicated to the success of students. WP offers a supportive and challenging environment that encourages students to push themselves, gain confidence, and come away with the knowledge that remarkable things are within their reach.

WP Highlights

- 10,052 students (216 international from 64 countries) (70% undergraduate/30% graduate)
- More than 30 STEM-designated programs
- Undergraduate and graduate academic programs are offered through four colleges: Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences; Cotsakos College of Business; Education; and, Science and Health
- Distinguished faculty including 41 Fulbright Scholars and recipients of numerous other awards, grants, and fellowships
- Numerous research, internship, and clinical experiences
- International student scholarships are available



LOCATION

The campus is set on 370 wooded acres (150 hectares) in suburban Wayne, New Jersey and is located just 32 kilometers from New York City, and a few hours drive from Boston, Philadelphia, and Washington D.C.

Northern New Jersey's climate is temperate with four seasons including hot sunny summers, snow in winter, and the beautiful colors of spring and fall.



“At William Paterson, I’ve embarked on an extraordinary journey of discovery, immersing myself in new passions and becoming part of a dynamic community. Though I sometimes feel the ache of missing my family, the deep connections I’ve formed here have crafted a profound sense of belonging that truly feels like home.”

Prakriti Nepal

*Double majoring in Computer Science and Mathematics
International Student from Nepal
Class of 2027*

Graduate Programs

- Applied Mathematics, MS*
- Athletic Training, MS
- Biotechnology, MS*
- Business Administration: Applied Business Analytics, MBA*
- Business Administration: Finance, MBA
- Business Administration: General, MBA
- Clinical and Counseling Psychology- Non-Licensure, MA
- Computer Science, MS*
- Curriculum and Learning Bilingual / ESL, MED
- Curriculum and Learning: Early Childhood, MED
- Curriculum and Learning: Learning Technologies, MED
- Curriculum & Learning: Teaching Writing Grades P-12
- Elementary Education with Middle School Endorsement, MAT
- Elementary Education with Teacher of Students with Disabilities, MAT
- Elementary Education, MAT
- English Writing, MA
- Materials Chemistry, MS*
- Music Education, MM
- Music Jazz Studies and Arranging, MM
- Music Jazz Studies and Performance, MM
- Nursing: Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner in Primary Care, MSN
- Nursing: Nursing Education, MSN
- Nursing: Family Nurse Practitioner, MSN
- Nursing: Nursing Administration, MSN
- Nursing: School Nurse, MSN
- Professional Communication: General, MA
- Professional Counseling: Clinical Mental Health Concentration, MED
- Professional Counseling: School Counseling Concentration, MED
- Public Policy, MPP
- Sales Leadership, MS
- Secondary Education Subject Field (K-12), MAT
- Special Education: Autism Spectrum Disorders and Developmental Disabilities, MED
- Special Education: Learning Disabilities, MED
- Special Education: Teacher of Students with Disabilities, MED
- Speech-Language Pathology, MS
- Visual Art Animation Track, MFA
- Visual Art, MFA

*STEM Program

Undergraduate Programs

Bachelor of Arts

- Africana World Studies: Humanities & Arts Track
- Africana World Studies: Social Sciences & Community Development Track
- Anthropology
- Art Studio
- Chemistry*
- Communication - Broadcast Journalism
- Communication - Communication Studies
- Communication - Journalism
- Communication - Media Production
- Communication
- Community Dev & Social Justice
- Criminology & Criminal Justice
- Disability Studies
- Early Childhood Education
- Early Childhood Education and Teaching Students with Disabilities Endorsement
- Early Childhood Education for Paraprofessionals
- Earth Science*
- Economics Research and Data Analysis
- Economics
- Elementary Education
- English - Education Track
- English
- Ethics
- Global Asia
- History
- Integrated Math & Science Biology
- Integrated Math & Science Chemistry
- Integrated Math & Science Environmental Science
- Integrated Math & Science Mathematics
- Latin American and Latino Studies
- Leadership and Professional Studies
- Legal Studies
- Liberal Studies - Arts Humanities Social Science
- Mathematics
- Music - Popular Music
- Music Studies-Digital Music Creation
- Musical Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Relations
- Secondary Education
- Sociology - Applied Sociology
- Sociology - General
- Sociology - Social Services
- Spanish
- Sport Management
- Urban Science and Society- Policy, Planning and Development
- Urban Science and Society-Community, Culture & Diversity
- Women's & Gender Studies

Bachelor of Fine Arts

- Art - Animation & Multimedia
- Art - Drawing, Painting & Printmaking
- Art - Graphic & Interactive Design
- Art - Interdisciplinary Arts
- Art - Photography
- Art - Sculpture & 3D Design

Bachelor of Music

- Music & Entertainment Industries - Classical
- Music & Entertainment Industries - Jazz
- Music - Classical Secondary Ed K-12 Instrumental
- Music - Classical Secondary Ed K-12 Performance Voice
- Music - Jazz Secondary Ed K-12
- Music - Jazz Studies Drums
- Music - Jazz Studies Keyboard
- Music - Jazz Studies Vocal
- Music - Jazz Studies Wind, Mallet, Guitar
- Music - Performance Brass/Winds
- Music - Performance Guitar
- Music - Performance Instrumental
- Music - Performance Jazz/Classical
- Music - Performance Percussion
- Music - Performance Piano
- Music - Performance Strings
- Music - Performance Voice
- Music - Sound Engineering Classical
- Music - Sound Engineering Jazz
- Sound Engineering Classical

Bachelor of Science

- Accounting
- Actuarial Science*
- Applied Business Analytics*
- Biology - Ecology*
- Biology - General*
- Biology - Organismal Biology*
- Biology - Pre-Medical Professions*
- Biotechnology*
- Chemistry*
- Computer Science*
- Environmental Science*
- Environmental Sustainability*
- Exercise Science
- Finance FinTech
- Finance
- Finance-Credit Analysis & Commercial Banking
- Finance-Risk Management
- Financial Planning
- Global Business Studies
- Health Studies
- Information Technology*
- Management*
- Management-Human Resource Management*
- Management-Small Business Entrepreneurship*
- Marketing - Digital Marketing
- Marketing - Marketing Management
- Marketing
- Mathematics*
- Medicinal Biochemistry*
- Nursing - General**
- Nursing - RN**
- Physical Education K-12 Certification
- Professional Sales
- Public Health - Promotion
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Sports Medicine

Bachelor of Social Work

- Bachelor of Social Work

*STEM Program
**Fall Intake only

Campus Life

More than 100 clubs and organizations are offered, including academic, international, civic engagement, and social clubs along with fraternities and sororities. Students can also get involved in performing and visual arts programs (music and theater), civic engagement activities, and recreational activities. WP has a Sports & Recreation Center, Fitness Center and swimming pool for recreational use by students.



The WP Pioneers compete in NCAA Division III sports as members of the New Jersey Athletic Conference. International students are welcome to try out for WP's athletic teams, and must register with the NCAA as part of the process.



Men's

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Football
- Golf
- Rugby (club sport)
- Soccer
- Swimming & Diving

13
NCAA
Division III
sports teams

Women's

- Basketball
- Field Hockey
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis
- Volleyball

31
club sports
and intramural
activities

Residence Halls

First year students have guaranteed housing and are required to live on campus for their first two years, with exceptions following a review. Most halls are "suite-style" with a bathroom connecting two separate rooms (mostly doubles). Amenities include study lounges, network access and laundry facilities. Dedicated graduate and upper class housing is available in apartment-style housing with two double rooms, living room/kitchen area and bathroom. Students living on campus are required to purchase a meal plan except those living in apartments.



Points of Pride

#84
Regional
Universities North,
U.S. News
Best Colleges
2025

#28
Top Public
Schools,
U.S. News
Best Colleges
2025

60+
Number of countries
represented which
include India, South
Korea, Nepal, Jamaica,
Bangladesh, Nigeria,
Philippines, Ghana,
Colombia, Pakistan,
Peru, UK, China, Japan

15+
accreditations
Including ABET, AACSB,
American Chemical
Society, National
Association of Schools of
Art & Design, American
Psychological
Association, caATE
(Athletic training)

15:1
Student-to-faculty ratio

Small classes and
state of the art facilities
including University
Hall, WP's newest
\$40 million academic
building

Admissions Requirements

	FIRST YEAR/TRANSFER	GRADUATE
Complete Application	Undergraduate application link	Graduate application link
Minimum GPA	2.5 out of 4.0	3.0 out of 4.0
Transcripts	Official secondary/high school transcript indicating courses completed and grades. If the original document(s) is not in English, a notarized English translation is required	Official transcripts from all previously enrolled universities. If the original document(s) is not in English, a notarized English translation is required.
Transcript Evaluations	First year student transcript evaluations completed internally by WP professional staff. Transfer students: course-by-course credit evaluation from a NACES accredited or AICE endorsed evaluation service is required.	Course-by-course credit evaluation from a NACES accredited or AICE endorsed evaluation service is required. For MS Computer Science and MBA Applied Business Analytics, the credential evaluation will be done internally for the Students from India, Nepal, and Bangladesh.
Test Scores	Test optional	Varies by program
Supplemental Documents	Varies by program	Varies by program

English Proficiency

Students must meet minimum English language proficiency if not originating from an English-speaking country.

	First Year/ Transfer	Graduate
TOEFL IB*	79	79
IELTS	6.0	6.0
DUOLINGO	105	105
PTE	53	53
SAT (Critical Reading)	500+	500+
ACT (English)	37	37
*EAG code for 10% off TOEFL exam: EAGTOEFL10 Other evidence of ELP will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. MOI is accepted and cannot be more than three years old.		

Deposits | \$125 non-refundable deposit is required for first-time, first year undergraduate students in order to provide a schedule for these students. Deposits are not required for the I-20 to be issued. Non-refundable housing deposit is \$150.

I-20 Bank Statement amounts | Deposit is not required for I-20 to be issued. Turnaround time is usually 3-5 business days for an I-20, but could be longer during peak processing times.

	UNDERGRAD	GRADUATE
Bank Statement Amount (Gross)	\$48,455	\$46,401
Less Pioneer Award	-\$8,212	-\$7,034
Bank Statement Amount (Net)	\$40,243	\$39,367
	If awarded, students may deduct UG merit scholarship from Net amount and demonstrate new amount	If awarded, students may deduct Grad Assistantship from Net amount and demonstrate new amount

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and other fees for current academic year. Fees subject to change and other fees may be assessed.

	First Year/Transfer	Graduate
Full-time Annual Tuition & Fees*	\$27,014	\$24,960*
Room & Board	\$14,090	
Health Insurance	\$2,940	
Books and Supplies, Transportation, Misc.	\$4,411	
Commuter meal plans *	Cost varies	Cost varies
*Costs vary by academic program or meal plan selected		

Financial Support | William Paterson offers scholarships and awards to eligible international students.

First Year & Transfer Students

Academic Scholarship: Up to \$9,000

GPA of 3.5 or better required to earn scholarship

Awards: all international students are automatically qualified for a Pioneer Award of \$8,212 per year

Graduate Students

Graduate Assistantships: \$6,000 stipend and tuition & fees waiver

Awards: all international students are automatically qualified for a Pioneer Award of \$7,034 per year

Tuition Payments | WP offers installment plans with no interest. Payment plans have a fee of \$25 per semester to set up the plan. WP accepts credit cards, money orders and wire transfers.