

## 2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

**\$22.71M**  
**TOTAL SAVED**

by Nevada students  
in AY 2022 through WICHE  
Student Access Programs

**\$20M**  
**SAVED**  
through WUE  
AY 2022

**\$2.08M**  
**SAVED**  
through WRGP  
AY 2022

**\$673,079**  
**SAVED**  
through PSEP  
AY 2022

## WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE



Saves **UNDERGRADUATE** students on out-of-state tuition. They pay no more than 150% of in-state tuition at partner institutions across the West.

Top out-of-state WUE schools for Nevada undergraduate students:

- ▶ Northern Arizona University (291)
- ▶ Southern Utah University (187)
- ▶ Mohave Community College (109)

Top Nevada WUE schools for out-of-state undergraduate students:

- ▶ University of Nevada Reno (2,723)
- ▶ University of Nevada Las Vegas (1,670)
- ▶ Truckee Meadows Community College (133)

## WESTERN REGIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM



Saves students on out-of-state **GRADUATE** certificate, master's, and doctoral programs. They pay no more than 150% of in-state tuition at partner institutions across the West.

Top out-of-state WRGP schools for Nevada graduate students:

- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (27)
- ▶ University of Arizona (16)
- ▶ University of Idaho (13)

Top Nevada WRGP schools for out-of-state graduate students:

- ▶ University of Nevada Reno (17)

## PROFESSIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM



Helps students pursuing careers in **10 HEALTH FIELDS**. They can enroll in programs in the WICHE region and receive substantial tuition support from their home state/territory.

**36 Nevada students paid reduced tuition** for healthcare studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

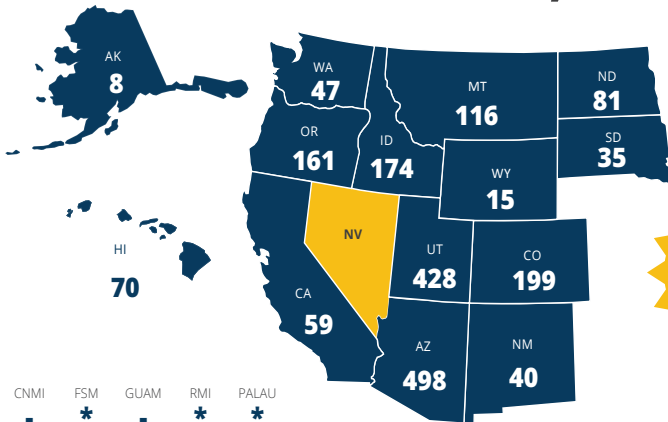
**78% of Nevada's PSEP graduates returned home to practice** (2012-21). Students are contractually required to return.

**Nevada institutions and their local economies benefit, too.** This year, 40 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in Nevada. Institutions received \$771,979 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

# 2,729% ROI gained on Nevada's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

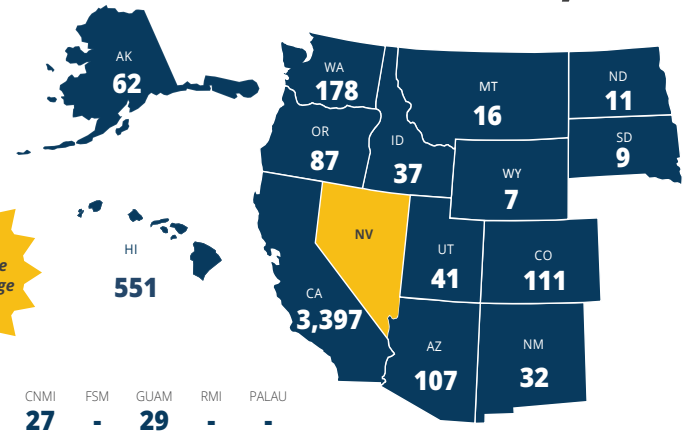
## WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM NEVADA: **1,931**



4,702 WUE students chose to attend college in Nevada

WUE STUDENTS TO NEVADA: **4,702**



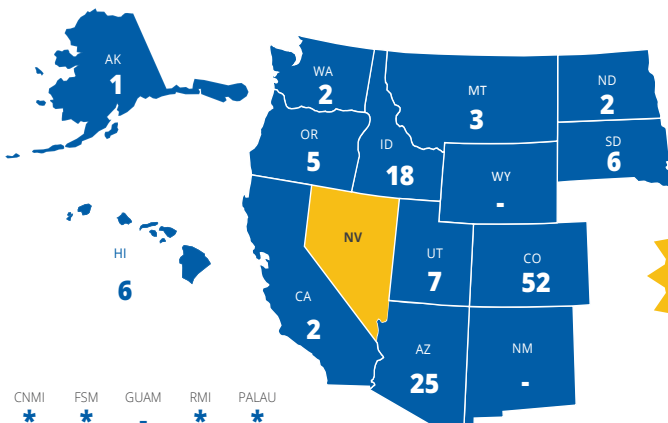
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\* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

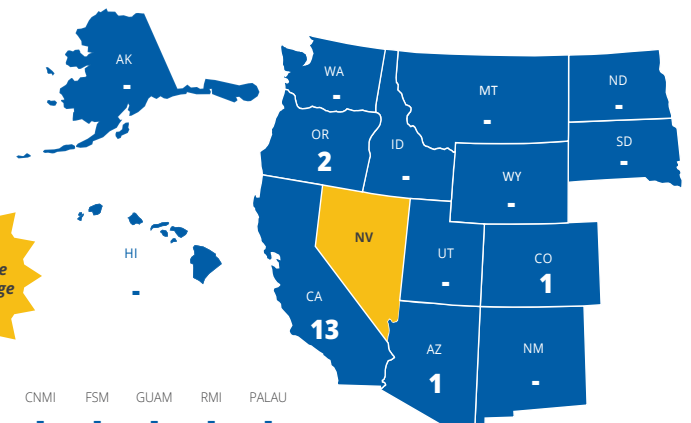
## WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM NEVADA: **129**



17 WRGP students chose to attend college in Nevada

WRGP STUDENTS TO NEVADA: **17**



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## PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Occupational Therapy	4	\$99,832
Pharmacy	10	\$113,422
Physician Assistant	9	\$175,725
Physical Therapy	9	\$148,500
Veterinary Medicine	4	\$135,600
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>\$673,079</b>

PSEP students from Nevada saved \$673,079 in tuition ↗

## WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“ I took a gap year after high school because I had no idea what I wanted to do. After working as a caregiver and medication technician, I realized my passion is helping people. WUE has allowed me to follow this passion. I plan on becoming an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse and specializing in pediatrics. ”

ALMA Nevada resident, Nursing, Idaho State University

## Regional collaboration



WICHE brings together senior academic leaders to foster dialogue about issues facing individual institutions through its leadership and professional development networks.

### WESTERN ALLIANCE OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC LEADERS – 2-YEAR INSTITUTIONS

- ▶ Great Basin College
- ▶ Truckee Meadows Community College
- ▶ Western Nevada College

Jeff Alexander, Truckee Meadows Community College, serves on the Alliance executive committee.

### WESTERN ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP FORUM – 4-YEAR INSTITUTIONS

- ▶ Nevada State College
- ▶ Nevada System of Higher Education
- ▶ University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- ▶ University of Nevada, Reno

Kate Hausbeck-Korgan, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, serves on the Forum executive committee.

**WESTERN ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY** is a year-long professional development program for academic leaders aspiring to become chief academic officers in the WICHE region. Seven cohort members from Nevada institutions have participated in the Academy since its inception in 2015.

Vickie Shields, Nevada State College, serves as a primary faculty member for the Academy.

**INTERSTATE PASSPORT®** is a national network of institutions that simplifies the transfer process, as well as saves students time and money as they successfully complete their degree. Network members include:

- ▶ Nevada State College
- ▶ Truckee Meadows Community College
- ▶ University of Nevada Reno

Dave Singleton, academic and transfer policy analyst from the Nevada System of Higher Education, serves as co-chair of the Passport Review Board.

**COSTS-SAVINGS PROGRAMS** Thanks to collaboration with the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC), one of four U.S. regional higher education compacts, WICHE-region educational institutions, nonprofits, and public education entities can benefit from three programs: MHECtech, which provides competitively bid purchasing contracts for an array of hardware, software, and technology services; MHECare, which provides a student health insurance plan and

teletherapy services; and a MHEC Cyber Insurance Program, which offers risk transfer and advisory solutions.

Nevada participates in the **STATE AUTHORIZATION RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT (SARA)** through WICHE. This voluntary agreement provides reciprocity for the state authorization of distance education. WICHE Commissioners have been strong advocates for protecting the state voice in important governance decisions affecting this agreement and staff continue to support participating states and improving student protections while bolstering access.

## Optimal behavioral healthcare



WICHE Behavioral Health Program's (BHP) continues to support the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health for the ongoing operations and accreditation of the **NEVADA PSYCHOLOGY INTERNSHIP CONSORTIUM (NV-PIC)**, which aims to increase the number of psychologists in Nevada and build the state's behavioral health workforce.

WICHE BHP administers two national programs: the Together With Veterans (TWV) – Rural Veteran Suicide Prevention Program and the Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP).

▶ **RURAL COMMUNITIES OPIOID RESPONSE PROGRAM (RCORP)** is a multiyear initiative supported by the Health Resources & Services Administration to identify treatment barriers and best practices for preventing and treating substance use disorder. BHP provides technical assistance to 76 grantees across the U.S., supporting 36 grantees in the WICHE region. In Nevada, the RCORP program supports two grantees: Community Chest and Nye Communities Coalition.

▶ **TOGETHER WITH VETERANS (TWV) – RURAL VETERAN SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM** enlists rural Veterans and local partners to join forces to reduce Veteran suicide in their own community. Funded by the US Department of Veterans Affairs and administered by the WICHE BHP, TWV provides communities with individualized coaching, tools, training, technical assistance, and resources to implement the program in their own communities. The BHP supports 35 rural communities as far east as New Hampshire and as far west as Guam, and of those, supports 11 rural communities in the WICHE region. The TWV program has one relatively new program in Pahrump, Nevada, which to date has served nearly 200 rural Veterans.

## Sound public policy



***KNOCKING AT THE COLLEGE DOOR*** is the leading U.S. resource for projections of college-ready students. *Knocking*, which includes a quadrennial publication with additional analysis, is essential for postsecondary policymakers, planning and workforce efforts, and economic development. Visit [knocking.wiche.edu](http://knocking.wiche.edu) to access reports, interactive dashboards, webinars, presentations, as well as state-level data.

**DATA RESOURCES** WICHE offers curated data and policy resources to support better-informed decision-making. WICHE's research projects and collaborations cover postsecondary completion, health workforce development, behavioral health in postsecondary education, open educational resources (OER), state finance, prior learning assessment, and more.

- ▶ **Tuition and Fees in the West** includes tuition, fees, and enrollment data about 350+ public institutions in the West.
- ▶ **Benchmarks: WICHE Region** presents information on the West's progress in improving access to, success in, and financing of higher education.
- ▶ Data on over 35 indicators in WICHE's **Regional Fact Book for Higher Education in the West**.

**DATA EXPERTS** WICHE staff provide analysis on finance, financial aid, articulation and transfer, strategic planning, student demographics, and more, as well as host peer-to-peer calls of state, system, and institutional chief academic officers to identify areas of potential collaboration and resource sharing across the West.

**STATE PROJECTS** WICHE has provided technical assistance to the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents for efforts to examine postsecondary education governance.

## Innovative solutions



**WCET - THE WICHE COOPERATIVE FOR EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES** is the leader in the practice, policy, and advocacy of technology-enhanced learning in higher education. Its growing membership includes institutions, higher education agencies and systems, nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and corporations in all U.S. states and several Canadian provinces. WCET members include:

- ▶ College of Southern Nevada
- ▶ Great Basin College
- ▶ Nevada State College
- ▶ Nevada System of Higher Education
- ▶ Truckee Meadows Community College
- ▶ University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- ▶ University of Nevada, Reno
- ▶ Western Nevada College

WICHE has convened the **OERWEST NETWORK**, which is part of a nationwide collaborative to scale the development and adoption of free course materials. Open educational resources (OER) have shown promise in improving student outcomes, particularly for poverty-affected students, for whom the high cost of textbooks can be a barrier to postsecondary success.

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