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WELCOME



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This year marks 70 years of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE). An experiment of sorts in the post-World War II years, WICHE was born out of regional workforce needs and the idea that interstate collaboration could provide a solution.

At the time, colleges and universities across the nation were grappling with an influx of eager students who wanted a degree but faced numerous barriers to getting one. The governors in the West recognized that expanding graduate and professional education, particularly for those who lived in areas that lacked public schools of medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, and other professional disciplines, was costly and time-consuming. Therefore, a student exchange across the Western region was established in 1953.

Today, tens of thousands of students have benefited from what would eventually become WICHE's three Student Access Programs – the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE), the Western Regional Graduate Program (WRGP), and the Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP). In this publication, *By the Numbers*, you will see vital data about WICHE's Student Access Programs for the 2022–23 academic year, as well as participation and migration statistics for each program, shared in aggregate and by each WICHE state and eligible Pacific jurisdiction. You will also find data summaries that provide reference points for students and their families, school counselors and academic advisors, institutional leaders and enrollment management staff, and policymakers.

Nearly 50,000 students have saved \$583 million in the academic year 2022-23 through WICHE's Student Access Programs – evidence that WICHE's founders were indeed onto something remarkable. We fondly reflect on our origin as a simple idea that changed and improved the lives of many across the region. With your partnership and support, we look forward to continuing to uphold our mission for generations of students to come – thank you.

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OVERVIEW OF STUDENT ACCESS PROGRAMS

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) operates three Student Access Programs that support undergraduate, graduate, and professional health care studies. The overarching goal of each program is to lower the cost of tuition for students.



THE WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE (WUE) — the nation's largest regional tuition savings program in terms of student enrollment and estimated savings — allows eligible students from a WICHE state or eligible Pacific jurisdiction to enroll in participating two- or four-year public colleges or universities located elsewhere in the WICHE region and pay reduced tuition. Students can choose from hundreds of majors at 162 institutions and pay no more than 150% of that school's resident tuition (often much less than the nonresident tuition they would usually pay).



THE WESTERN REGIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM (WRGP) allows graduate certificate, master's, and doctoral students who are residents of WICHE states and eligible Pacific jurisdictions to affordably enroll in more than 1,800 graduate programs at 66 public institutions in the West. Participating students can enroll as nonresidents, and pay up to 150% of resident tuition, though the majority of WRGP institutions charge students resident tuition. A WRGP student typically pays about half of what they would have had to pay as a nonresident.



THE PROFESSIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM (PSEP) is WICHE's first program and - along with WICHE - celebrates its 70th year in AY 2022-23. Through PSEP, students from 11 Western states and territories can pursue careers in 10 health fields, ranging from optometry to dentistry to veterinary medicine. They may enroll in 129 participating programs across the WICHE region and apply for substantial tuition support from their home state or eligible Pacific jurisdiction. These high-demand professionals are vitally important, especially in underserved rural areas of the West. Educating more of them is crucial. WICHE reduces the financial strain for students pursuing professional health care degrees, especially for those from less populated states and territories.

Who benefits from WICHE's Student Access Programs?

- ▶ Students gain from increased educational choices and tuition savings.
- ▶ Schools gain by optimizing their enrollment.
- ▶ States and territories gain by growing their residents' skills and strengthening their workforce.



LEARN MORE: See how students save on tuition using WICHE'S Student Access Programs at wiche.edu/tuition-savings.

WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE (WUE)

WUE offers significant benefits to residents of the WICHE region. In academic year (AY) 2022-23, 46,110 students and their families saved more than \$520 million in tuition. Students also benefit from an increased choice of educational offerings. Some students gain affordable access to majors not offered in their home state or eligible Pacific jurisdiction. Many WUE institutions make all or most majors available at the WUE rate, but some may exclude select high-demand majors. Transfer students can also qualify for the WUE rate at nearly all participating institutions. And though institutions may choose to set more stringent admissions standards for WUE students, many award the WUE rate to all nonresident WICHE-region applicants who would qualify under normal admissions criteria. For some students and their families, when college tuition and cost of living are factored in, WUE can make studying out-of-state more affordable than in state.

Western states and eligible Pacific jurisdictions also benefit from WUE. Participating public colleges and universities can use WUE to meet their recruitment and enrollment goals. These institutions determine their WUE award criteria and which majors are eligible for the tuition discount. Students apply directly to their preferred WUE institution(s). For areas with more demand for public higher education than capacity, WUE serves as an effective relief valve, allowing their residents access to a postsecondary education without having to entirely bear the financial burden of increasing capacity at home.

Compared to the previous year (AY 2021-22), overall WUE enrollments dropped 0.1%; WUE enrollment at four-year universities increased 1%, and WUE enrollment at two-year colleges dropped 9%. These enrollment changes are mostly consistent with national trends. According to the National Student Clearinghouse, overall national undergraduate enrollment dropped 0.6%. Nationwide, four-year enrollments decreased by 1.2% while two-year enrollments rose by 0.4% (though this is largely due to an 11.7% increase in high school students enrolled in dual credit programs).*

Historically, the WUE student enrollment reports only look at the total number of award recipients. The reports do not distinguish between new and continuing students, such as incoming first-year students, transfer students, or the retention of current students. It is difficult to know for certain what drives WUE enrollment changes each year.

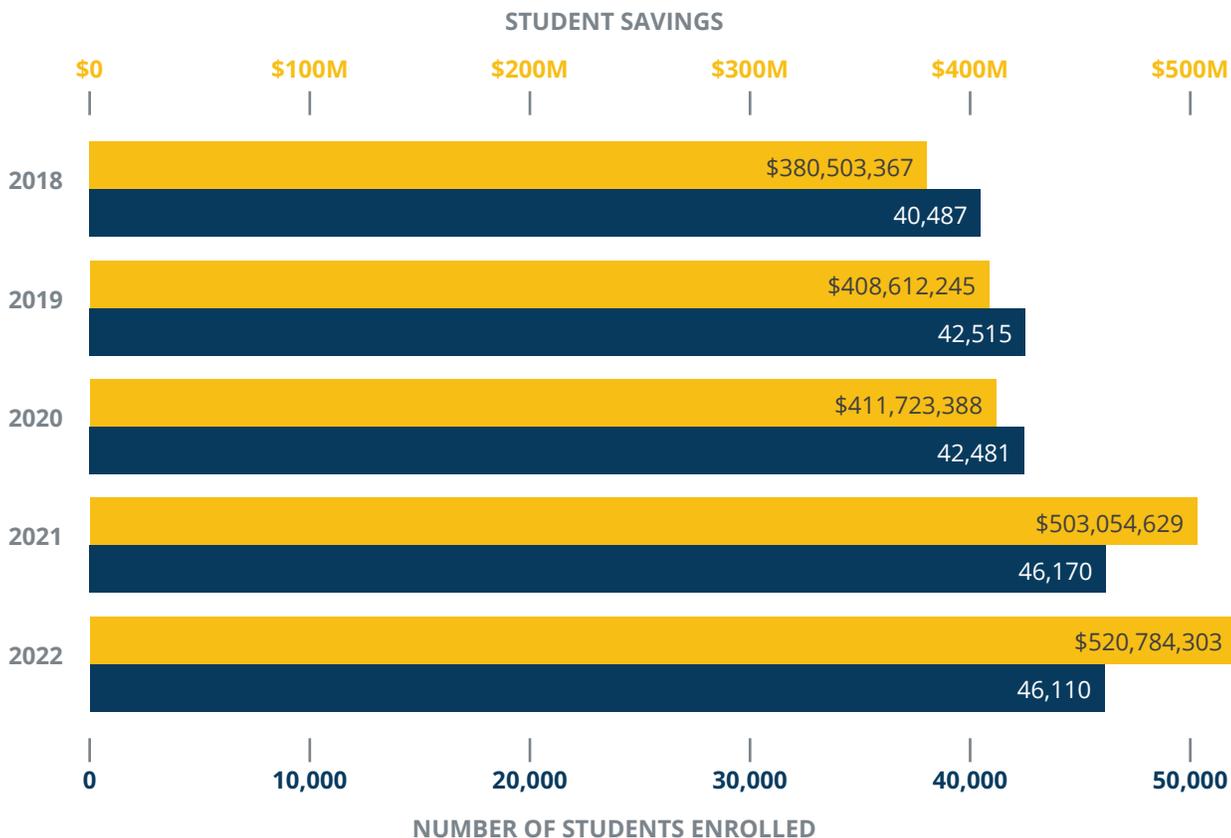
The chart on the following page shows where students are enrolling, and which location is their home state/eligible Pacific jurisdiction. The bar graph shows the growth in WUE enrollment and savings over the past five years.

 **LEARN MORE:** Visit wue.wiche.edu.



* Causey, J., et al. "Current Term Enrollment Estimates: Fall 2022 Expanded Edition." National Student Clearinghouse Research Center, 2 Feb. 2023.

WUE Enrollment and Student Savings, AY 2018-22



WUE Enrollment Summary, AY 2022-23

WHERE STUDENTS ARE COMING FROM																					
State** (# of Institutions)	AK	AZ	CA	CO	CNMI*	FSM*	GU*	HI	ID	MT	NV	NM	ND	OR	RMI*	PW*	SD	UT	WA	WY	TOTAL
Alaska (3)	-	23	132	41	7	-	-	13	13	7	8	9	2	34	-	-	7	14	115	5	430
Arizona (25)	237	-	3,316	735	-	-	2	307	130	105	498	304	22	254	-	-	26	267	409	42	6,654
California (16)	45	99	-	91	1	-	3	120	22	11	59	20	1	109	-	-	4	22	200	1	808
Colorado (26)	219	562	2,186	-	-	-	2	246	149	76	199	297	37	293	-	-	94	233	497	167	5,257
CNMI (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guam (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawai'i (4)	61	116	2,297	348	-	2	38	-	14	35	70	31	6	183	-	-	17	44	404	5	3,671
Idaho (6)	163	61	1,698	122	23	-	-	35	-	139	174	21	8	470	-	-	9	63	1,681	25	4,692
Montana (12)	171	66	542	546	-	-	-	30	340	-	116	29	56	337	-	-	49	100	913	142	3,437
Nevada (7)	62	107	3,397	111	27	-	29	551	37	16	-	32	11	87	-	-	9	41	178	7	4,702
New Mexico (12)	24	89	487	37	1	-	-	23	9	9	40	-	1	36	-	-	13	21	70	7	867
North Dakota (11)	57	181	390	207	-	-	1	33	44	214	81	27	-	50	-	-	188	61	174	202	1,910
Oregon (6)	141	94	1,435	280	33	2	7	384	137	58	161	32	9	-	-	2	7	63	789	22	3,656
South Dakota (6)	18	74	218	560	-	-	-	9	23	116	35	13	313	19	-	-	-	23	84	402	1,907
Utah (9)	73	316	1,981	384	3	-	-	131	378	65	428	62	7	216	-	-	10	-	353	76	4,483
Washington (8)	126	54	778	160	3	-	1	177	206	81	47	30	3	396	-	-	7	35	-	8	2,112
Wyoming (9)	13	37	107	558	-	-	-	8	91	252	15	17	29	26	-	-	140	190	41	-	1,524
Total (162)	1,410	1,879	18,964	4,180	98	4	83	2,067	1,593	1,184	1,931	924	505	2,510	-	2	580	1,177	5,908	1,111	46,110

*CNMI is the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, FSM is the Federated States of Micronesia, GU is Guam, RMI is the Republic of the Marshall Islands, PW is the Republic of Palau.

** Includes U.S. states, territories, and eligible Pacific jurisdictions

WESTERN REGIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM (WRGP)

In AY 2022-23, 3,269 students saved over \$58 million in tuition through WRGP. Approximately 300 more graduate students are using WRGP this year which marks an increase of 11% from AY 2021-22. Cooperating institutions chose to make an additional 100 graduate programs available through WRGP this year. More than 1,800 offerings are now available at reduced cost through WRGP.

Participating public universities in the WICHE region also benefit from WRGP. The National Student Clearinghouse reports that national enrollment at the graduate level fell by 1.2% in the last year.* During a time of declining enrollment, WRGP is more important than ever. The program helps attract and incentivize a broader and more diverse pool of students to pursue varied disciplines at their public institutions.

The pandemic continues to underscore the need for professionals in high-demand fields such as supply chain management, cybersecurity, health care, and more. WRGP remains a noteworthy option for students pursuing advanced degrees in high-need fields, particularly for health care related degrees not offered through WICHE's Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP), see page 7, such as nurse practitioner. Additionally, a growing number of WRGP programs are offered online, enabling place-bound students, who may face barriers to leaving their home state or eligible Pacific jurisdiction, to earn their educational credentials.

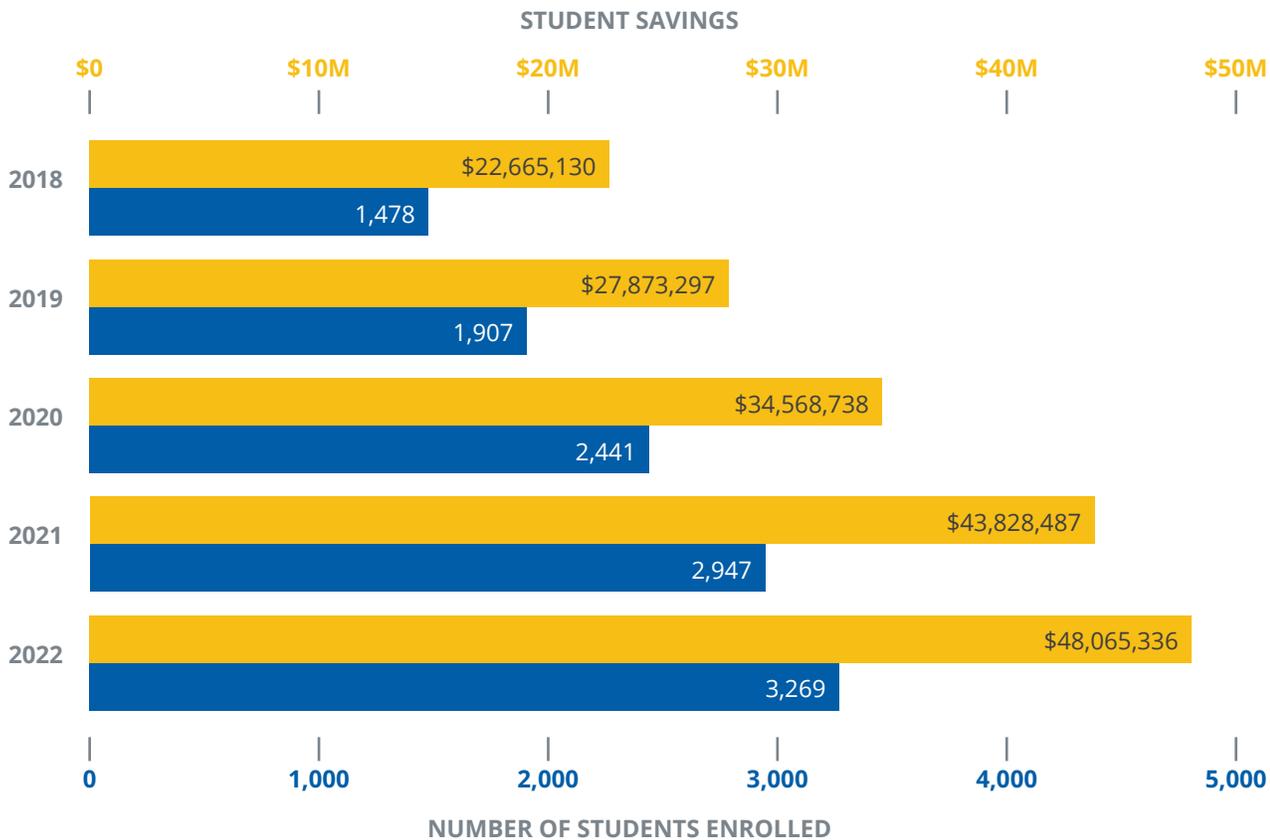


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WRGP Enrollment and Student Savings, AY 2018-22



WRGP Enrollment Summary, AY 2022-23

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State** (# of Institutions)	AK	AZ	CA	CO	CNMI*	FSM*	GU*	HI	ID	MT	NV	NM	ND	OR	RMI*	PW*	SD	UT	WA	WY	TOTAL
Alaska (3)	-	2	11	6	2	-	2	1	1	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	-	4	4	2	49
Arizona (5)	5	-	165	33	1	-	-	9	5	13	25	23	5	23	-	-	8	19	36	2	372
California (3)	-	3	-	5	-	-	-	2	2	-	2	-	-	10	-	-	-	3	11	-	38
Colorado (10)	16	91	398	-	2	-	-	15	25	29	52	59	8	75	-	-	18	80	145	43	1,056
Guam (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawai'i (2)	11	13	196	26	2	19	17	-	3	5	6	6	-	18	2	-	4	16	41	4	389
Idaho (3)	11	26	87	27	-	-	-	4	-	18	18	4	-	33	-	-	3	72	88	5	396
Montana (4)	1	1	12	16	-	-	-	2	11	-	3	6	2	11	-	-	1	10	28	10	114
Nevada (2)	-	1	13	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
New Mexico (5)	-	16	42	4	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	2	2	71
North Dakota (4)	3	2	32	17	-	-	-	-	5	15	2	5	-	2	-	-	21	5	12	5	126
Oregon (5)	2	1	68	6	-	-	-	2	3	1	5	3	1	-	-	-	1	7	50	-	150
South Dakota (6)	-	10	44	26	-	-	-	1	6	6	6	2	28	4	-	-	-	11	13	16	173
Utah (6)	4	16	34	22	-	1	-	2	67	17	7	12	2	10	-	-	-	-	14	13	221
Washington (6)	-	6	32	12	-	-	-	1	5	2	2	2	-	19	-	-	2	7	-	1	91
Wyoming (1)	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total (66)	53	188	1,134	207	7	20	19	39	134	110	129	124	47	215	2	-	58	236	444	103	3,269

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PROFESSIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM (PSEP)

Health professionals are in high demand, and the Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP) has been a critically important mechanism to increase the supply of physicians, dentists, optometrists, veterinarians, and other health care professionals in the WICHE region. For 70 years, WICHE has supported the education of 15,800 Western residents with affordable access to professional health care degrees through PSEP.

In AY 2022-23, 10 WICHE states and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands invested more than \$14.2 million to grow their health care workforce by reducing the educational costs of 559 students. More than 130 accredited programs are offered through PSEP at 62 institutions.

Participating health care programs benefit from the geographic, economic, and demographic diversity that PSEP students bring to their classrooms.

Thanks to PSEP, a student can save between \$34,900 and \$136,700 on tuition during their professional health degree program, depending on the field of study. This reduced fiscal strain enables students to afford to work in rural areas that typically pay lower salaries compared to urban areas, or to pursue professional options that are less lucrative but sorely needed. Most states and territories that support PSEP students require graduates to return home and practice for up to four years, ensuring that their investment supports the health care professions its residents need most.

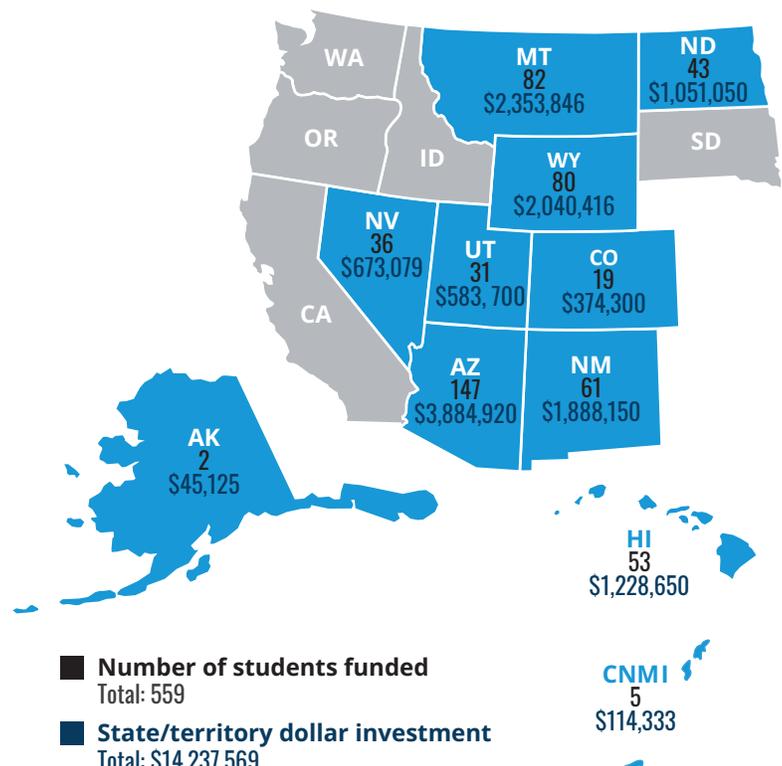


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PSEP Enrollment and Support Fees by Profession, AY 2022-23

PROFESSIONAL FIELD	ENROLLMENT	SUPPORT FEE PER STUDENT	INVESTMENT PAID ON BEHALF OF STUDENTS BY PROFESSION
Dentistry*	108	\$28,625 (acc = \$38,167)	\$3,101,042
Medicine	39	\$34,175	\$1,315,738
Occupational Therapy	21	\$14,975	\$334,439
Optometry	115	\$19,700	\$2,199,820
Osteopathic Medicine	58	\$24,500	\$1,402,625
Pharmacy*	11	\$8,725 (acc = \$11,633)	\$125,055
Physical Therapy	42	\$16,500	\$693,000
Physician Assistant	12	\$19,525	\$234,300
Podiatry	16	\$17,000	\$272,000
Veterinary Medicine	137	\$33,900	\$4,559,550
Total	559		\$14,237,569

PSEP Enrollment and Support Fees by State/Territory, AY 2022-23



PSEP Support Fee Revenue by State and Institution, AY 2022-23

ARIZONA		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
Northern Arizona University (NAU)		
Occupational Therapy	2	\$0
Institution Total	2	\$0
University of Arizona, Phoenix (ARIZ-PHX)		
Medicine	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
University of Arizona, Tucson (ARIZ-TUC)		
Medicine	1	\$34,175
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Institution Total	1	\$34,175
Public Institutions Total	3	\$34,175
PRIVATE		
A.T. Still University Mesa Campus (ATSU MESA)		
Dentistry	18	\$515,250
Occupational Therapy	4	\$79,866
Osteopathic Medicine	5	\$122,500
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	27	\$717,616
Midwestern University (MDWST)		
Dentistry	21	\$601,125
Occupational Therapy	1	\$14,975
Optometry	53	\$1,017,820
Osteopathic Medicine	30	\$716,625
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	2	\$33,000
Physician Assistant	1	\$19,525
Podiatry	10	\$170,000
Veterinary Medicine	5	\$169,500
Institution Total	123	\$2,742,570
Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine (MAYO-AZ)		
Medicine	3	\$102,525
Institution Total	3	\$102,525
Private Institutions Total	153	\$3,562,711
ARIZONA TOTAL	156	\$3,596,886
CALIFORNIA		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
California State University, Fresno (CSF)		
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
University of California, Davis (UCD)		
Medicine	1	\$34,175
Institution Total	1	\$34,175

Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
University of California, Irvine (UCI)		
Medicine	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)		
Dentistry	3	\$85,875
Medicine	0	\$0
Institution Total	3	\$85,875
University of California, San Diego (UCSD)		
Medicine	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)		
Dentistry	1	\$28,625
Medicine (UCSF)	0	\$0
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy (UCSF/SFSU)	0	\$0
Institution Total	1	\$28,625
Public Institutions Total	5	\$148,675
PRIVATE		
Chapman University (CHAP)		
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
Loma Linda University (LLU)		
Dentistry	1	\$28,625
Medicine	3	\$102,525
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	4	\$131,150
Marshall B. Ketchum University (MBKU)		
Optometry	12	\$216,700
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	12	\$216,700
Mount St. Mary's University (MSMU)		
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
Samuel Merritt University (SMU)		
Occupational Therapy	1	\$14,975
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Podiatry	2	34,000
Institution Total	3	\$48,975
Touro University - California (TOURO-CA)		
Osteopathic Medicine	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0

PSEP Support Fee Revenue by State and Institution, AY 2022-23 *(continued)*

CALIFORNIA <i>(continued)</i>		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
University of the Pacific (UOP)		
Dentistry	1	\$38,167
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Institution Total	1	\$38,167
University of Southern California (USC)		
Dentistry	0	\$0
Medicine	0	\$0
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
University of St. Augustine (USA)		
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
Western University of Health Sciences (WUHS)		
Dentistry	0	\$0
Optometry	4	\$78,800
Osteopathic Medicine	5	\$122,500
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	2	\$33,000
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Podiatry	4	\$68,000
Institution Total	15	\$302,300
Private Institutions Total	35	\$737,292
CALIFORNIA TOTAL	40	\$885,967

COLORADO		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
Colorado State University (CSU)		
Veterinary Medicine	53	\$1,796,700
Institution Total	53	\$1,796,700
Red Rocks Community College (RRCC)		
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (COLO)		
Dentistry	12	\$343,500
Medicine	7	\$222,138
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	19	\$565,638
Public Institutions Total	72	\$2,362,338

Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PRIVATE		
Regis University (REGIS)		
Physical Therapy	4	\$66,000
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Institution Total	4	\$66,000
Rocky Vista University		
Osteopathic Medicine	9	\$220,500
Institution Total	9	\$220,500
Private Institutions Total	13	\$286,500
COLORADO TOTAL	85	\$2,648,838

HAWAII		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
University of Hawai'i at Manoa (HAW)		
Medicine	2	\$68,350
Institution Total	2	\$68,350
University of Hawai'i at Hilo (HI-HILO)		
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
HAWAII TOTAL	2	\$68,350

IDAHO		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
Idaho State University (ISU)		
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	1	\$16,500
Physician Assistant	2	\$39,050
Institution Total	3	\$55,550
IDAHO TOTAL	3	\$55,550

MONTANA		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
University of Montana (MONT)		
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	3	\$49,500
Institution Total	3	\$49,500
MONTANA TOTAL	3	\$49,500

NEVADA		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)		
Physical Therapy	2	\$33,000
Institution Total	2	\$33,000
University of Nevada, Reno (NEV)		
Medicine	1	\$34,175
Institution Total	1	\$34,175
Public Institutions Total	3	\$67,175

PSEP Support Fee Revenue by State and Institution, AY 2022-23 *(continued)*

NEVADA <i>(continued)</i>		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PRIVATE		
Roseman University of Health Sciences (RUHS)		
Dentistry	5	143,125
Pharmacy	9	\$104,697
Institution Total	14	\$247,822
Touro University, Nevada (TOURO-NV)		
Occupational Therapy	5	\$114,807
Osteopathic Medicine	3	\$73,500
Physical Therapy	8	\$132,000
Physician Assistant	7	\$136,675
Institution Total	23	\$456,982
Private Institutions Total	37	\$704,804
NEVADA TOTAL	40	\$771,979

NEW MEXICO		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
University of New Mexico (UNM)		
Medicine	0	\$0
Occupational Therapy	1	\$14,975
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Institution Total	1	\$14,975
NEW MEXICO TOTAL	1	\$14,975

NORTH DAKOTA		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
North Dakota State University (NDSU)		
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
University of North Dakota (UND)		
Medicine	4	\$136,700
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	2	33,000
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	6	\$169,700
NORTH DAKOTA TOTAL	6	\$169,700

OREGON		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU)		
Dentistry	8	\$229,000
Medicine	5	\$170,875
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	13	\$399,875

Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
Oregon State University (OSU)		
Pharmacy	1	\$8,725
Veterinary Medicine	20	678,000
Institution Total	21	\$686,725
Public Institutions Total	34	\$1,086,600
PRIVATE		
George Fox University (GFU)		
Physical Therapy	2	\$33,000
Institution Total	2	\$33,000
Pacific University (PACU)		
Occupational Therapy	4	\$54,908
Optometry	43	\$827,400
Pharmacy	1	\$11,633
Physical Therapy	5	\$82,500
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Institution Total	53	\$976,441
Private Institutions Total	55	\$1,009,441
OREGON TOTAL	89	\$2,096,041

SOUTH DAKOTA		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
University of South Dakota (USD)		
Occupational Therapy	1	\$24,958
Physical Therapy	1	\$16,500
Institution Total	2	\$41,458
SOUTH DAKOTA TOTAL	2	\$41,458

UTAH		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
University of Utah (UTAH)		
Dentistry	8	\$229,000
Medicine	12	\$410,100
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	3	\$49,500
Physician Assistant	1	19,525
Institution Total	24	\$708,125
Public Institution Total	24	\$708,125
PRIVATE		
Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions (RMUHP)		
Physical Therapy	6	\$99,000
Institution Total	6	\$99,000
Private Institution Total	6	\$99,000
UTAH TOTAL	30	\$807,125

PSEP Support Fee Revenue by State and Institution, AY 2022-23 *(continued)*

WASHINGTON		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
Eastern Washington University (EWU)		
Occupational Therapy	1	\$0
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Institution Total	1	\$0
University of Washington (WASH)		
Dentistry	0	\$0
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	1	\$19,525
Institution Total	1	\$19,525
Washington State University (WSU)		
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Veterinary Medicine	59	\$1,915,350
Institution Total	59	\$1,915,350
Public Institutions Total	61	\$1,934,875
PRIVATE		
Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences (PNWU)		
Osteopathic Medicine	6	\$147,000
Institution Total	6	\$147,000
University of Puget Sound (UPS)		
Occupational Therapy	1	\$14,975
Physical Therapy	1	\$16,500
Institution Total	2	\$31,475
Private Institutions Total	8	\$178,475
WASHINGTON TOTAL	69	\$2,113,350

WYOMING		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
University of Wyoming (WYO)		
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Institution Total	0	\$0
WYOMING TOTAL	0	\$0

OUT OF REGION		
Institution	Number of Students	Support Fees by Field
PUBLIC		
University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC), MO		
Dentistry	5	\$143,125
Institution Total	5	\$143,125
University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)		
Dentistry	1	\$28,625
Institution Total	1	\$28,625
Public Institutions Total	6	\$171,750
PRIVATE		
Creighton University (CREI), NE		
Dentistry	24	\$687,000
Institution Total	24	\$687,000
Illinois College of Optometry (ILCO), IL		
Optometry	3	\$59,100
Institution Total	3	\$59,100
Private Institutions Total	27	\$746,100
OUT OF REGION TOTAL	33	\$917,850

TOTAL	559	\$14,237,569
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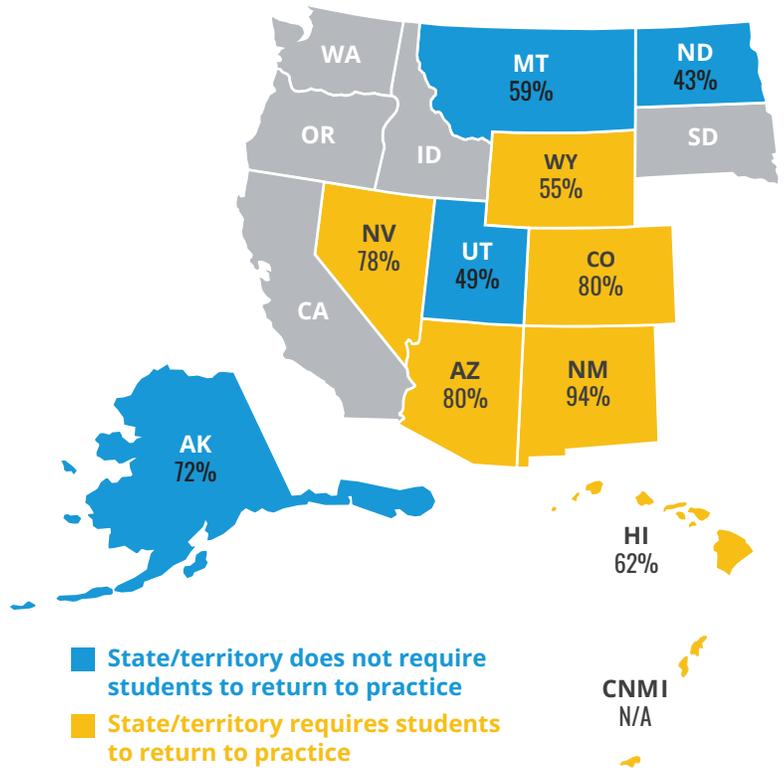
PSEP Graduate Return Rates, AY 2012-22

Because Western states and territories supporting students through PSEP want their investments to bolster their health care workforces, every five years they calculate the percentage of PSEP graduates who return home to serve their communities. Return rates for students who graduated during AY 2012-21 held relatively steady compared to the prior reporting period. The average student return rate for PSEP states is now 69%. During the previous reporting period, the average return rate was 67%.

Six states supporting PSEP students — Arizona, Colorado, Hawai'i, Nevada, New Mexico, and Wyoming — now require graduates to return home to practice or reimburse support fees plus interest. The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands will also require service payback for its future PSEP graduates. Areas that require a return home get higher returns on investment from PSEP participation, averaging an 80% return rate. "Honor system" states (Alaska, Montana, North Dakota, and Utah) do not contractually require service payback, and their average return rate is 55%.

Find detailed return rate information for each state's PSEP graduates, in each eligible professional health care field, in the table on pages 13-14.

PSEP Graduation Return Rates, AY 2012-21



The return rate is calculated every five years.

PSEP Graduate Return Rates by State and by Field, AY 2012-21

ALASKA			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	15	6	40%
Occupational Therapy	2	1	50%
Optometry	4	4	100%
Pharmacy	13	11	85%
Physical Therapy	10	9	90%
Physician Assistant	2	2	100%
Podiatry	1	1	100%
ALASKA TOTAL	47	34	72%

ARIZONA*			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	125	102	82%
Occupational Therapy	46	38	83%
Optometry	66	59	89%
Osteopathic Medicine**	59	42	71%
Physical Assistant	29	22	76%
Podiatry	14	9	64%
Veterinary Medicine	114	92	81%
ARIZONA TOTAL	453	364	80%

COLORADO*			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Optometry	61	49	80%
COLORADO TOTAL	61	49	80%

HAWAII*			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	20	12	60%
Occupational Therapy	17	10	59%
Optometry	25	18	72%
Pharmacy	11	7	64%
Physical Therapy	45	27	60%
Veterinary Medicine	26	15	58%
HAWAII TOTAL	144	89	62%

MONTANA			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	23	10	43%
Medicine**	33	15	45%
Occupational Therapy	15	8	53%
Optometry	11	10	91%
Osteopathic Medicine**	9	3	33%
Podiatry	1	1	100%
Veterinary Medicine	81	55	68%
MONTANA TOTAL	173	102	59%

NEVADA*			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Occupational Therapy	4	4	100%
Optometry	13	10	77%
Pharmacy	43	33	77%
Physical Therapy	11	9	82%
Physician Assistant	30	24	80%
Veterinary Medicine	39	29	74%
NEVADA TOTAL	140	109	78%

NEW MEXICO*			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	103	96	93%
Veterinary Medicine	83	78	94%
NEW MEXICO TOTAL	186	174	94%

NORTH DAKOTA			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	21	11	52%
Optometry	71	31	44%
Veterinary Medicine	14	4	29%
NORTH DAKOTA TOTAL	106	46	43%

PSEP Graduate Return Rates by State and by Field, AY 2012-21 *(continued)*

UTAH			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Optometry	53	28	53%
Podiatry	33	12	36%
Veterinary Medicine	18	11	61%
UTAH TOTAL	104	51	49%

WYOMING*			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	20	11	55%
Medicine**	11	1	9%
Occupational Therapy	24	18	75%
Optometry	33	15	45%
Osteopathic Medicine**	5	0	0%
Physical Therapy	81	62	77%
Physician Assistant	35	22	63%
Podiatry	2	1	50%
Veterinary Medicine	82	32	39%
WYOMING TOTAL	293	162	55%

WICHE RETURN RATES BY FIELD			
Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
Dentistry	327	248	76%
Medicine**	44	16	36%
Occupational Therapy	108	79	73%
Optometry	337	224	66%
Osteopathic Medicine**	73	45	62%
Pharmacy	67	51	76%
Physical Therapy	147	107	73%
Physician Assistant	96	70	73%
Podiatry	37	15	41%
Veterinary Medicine	357	233	65%

Field	Total number of graduates	Number returned to state	Percentage returned
TOTAL FOR ALL REPORTING WICHE PSEP STATES	1,707	1,180	69%
TOTAL FOR CONTRACTUAL PAYBACK STATES	984	785	80%
TOTAL FOR HONOR SYSTEM STATES	723	395	55%

* Contractual payback state for most or all of the reporting period. Wyoming instituted service payback for students enrolling Fall 2013 and later, except in Veterinary Medicine. Wyoming is listed as an honor state for this cycle because less than half of its graduates in current cycle have a contractual service payback. It will be reclassified as a contractual payback state in the next reporting cycle, in ~ 2027.

** WICHE uses AY 2012-16 return data for allopathic and osteopathic medical graduates, to allow time for them to return home and serve upon completion of their residency programs.

THE VALUE OF WICHE

States and eligible Pacific jurisdictions in the WICHE region pay annual dues on a fiscal year basis (July 1 – June 30 each year). The dues for fiscal year 2023 were \$159,000 each for the 15 states and the joint U.S. Pacific Islands membership in the WICHE region. This fiscal year, the median return on investment was 1,828% for WICHE members.

Benefits

- ▶ Residents of the WICHE region can participate in two of our three Student Access Programs – the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) and the Western Regional Graduate Program (WRGP).
- ▶ Public and private universities in the WICHE region that offer professional health care degrees may also enroll students from other states and territories through WICHE's Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP). Legislatures in the region may decide to appropriate funds to reduce tuition costs for its students enrolled through PSEP for their professional health care studies; this academic year, legislatures in 11 WICHE-region states and territories have elected to do so.
- ▶ The value of WICHE goes beyond student participation in WICHE's Student Access Programs – postsecondary institutions receive tuition dollars and improved recruitment opportunities.
- ▶ WICHE members also gain from WICHE's expertise and initiatives in higher education policy, training of behavioral health professionals, facilitation and policy support of online learning, leadership and professional development, student transfer programs, and more.



WICHE STUDENT ACCESS PROGRAMS ROI CALCULATION

$$\text{Student Savings} = \text{WUE \$} + \text{WRGP \$} + \text{PSEP \*$

$$\text{State}^{**} \text{ Investment} = \text{FY 2023 WICHE DUES \$159,000} + \text{PSEP FUNDING}^*$$

* Omit for states/territories that do not fund PESP students.

** Includes U.S. states, territories, and eligible Pacific jurisdictions

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$16.87M
TOTAL SAVED

by Alaska students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$16.02M
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

\$800,545
SAVED
through WRGP
AY 2022

\$45,125
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 Alaska undergraduate students:

- ▶ Northern Arizona University (176)
- ▶ Montana State University Bozeman (111)
- ▶ Washington State University (64)

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

- ▶ University of Alaska Fairbanks (231)
- ▶ University of Alaska Anchorage (141)
- ▶ University of Alaska Southeast (58)

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 Alaska graduate students:

- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (10)
- ▶ University of Idaho (8)
- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (5)

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

- ▶ University of Alaska Anchorage (43)
- ▶ University of Alaska Southeast (4)
- ▶ University of Alaska Fairbanks (2)

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.

2 Alaska students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

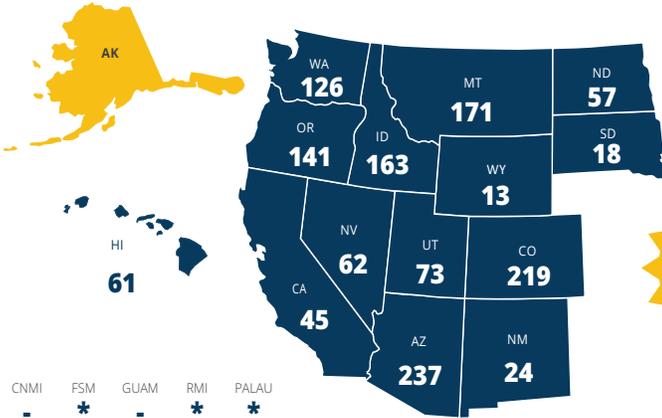
72% of Alaska's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-21). Students are not contractually required to return.

Alaska does not have any PSEP enrolling institutions.

8,263% ROI gained on Alaska's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

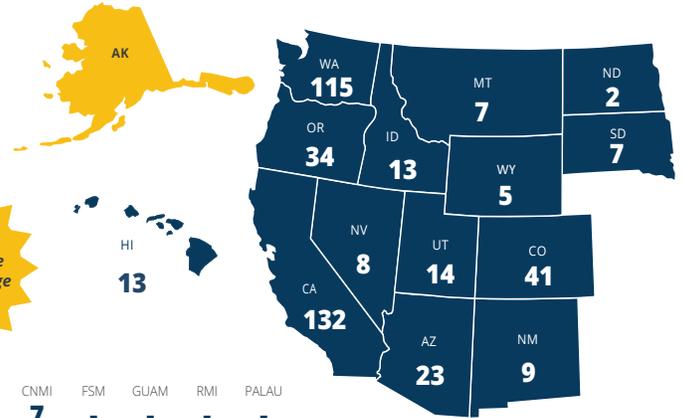
WUE

WUE STUDENTS **FROM** ALASKA: **1,410**



430 WUE students chose to attend college in Alaska

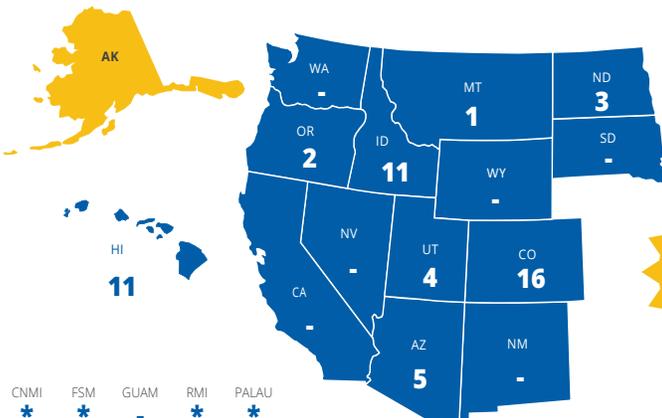
WUE STUDENTS **TO** ALASKA: **430**



* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

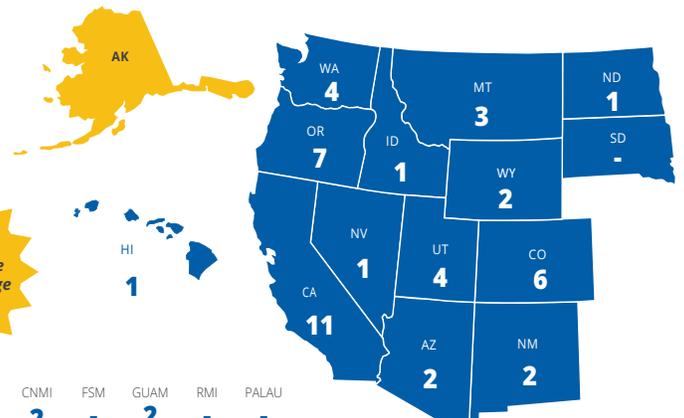
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS **FROM** ALASKA: **53**



49 WRGP students chose to attend college in Alaska

WRGP STUDENTS **TO** ALASKA: **49**



* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	1	\$28,625
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Optometry	0	\$0
Pharmacy	0	\$0
Physician Assistant	0	\$0
Physical Therapy	1	\$16,500
Podiatry	0	\$0
TOTAL	2	\$45,125

PSEP students from Alaska saved \$45,125 in tuition ↗

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$23.61M TOTAL SAVED

by Arizona students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$16.93M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$2.79M SAVED through WRGP AY 2022

\$3.88M 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 Arizona undergraduate students:

- ▶ Colorado State University (157)
- ▶ Utah Valley University (147)
- ▶ Fort Lewis College (122)

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

- ▶ Northern Arizona University (4,641)
- ▶ Mohave Community College (364)
- ▶ Arizona State University / Polytechnic Campus (326)

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 Arizona graduate students:

- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (36)
- ▶ University of Idaho (21)
- ▶ University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (18)

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

- ▶ University of Arizona (203)
- ▶ Northern Arizona University (85)
- ▶ Arizona State University (55)

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.

147 Arizona students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

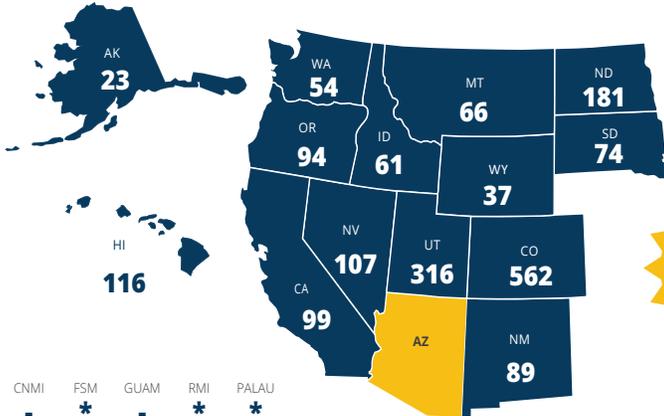
80% of Arizona's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-16 for physicians, 2012-21 for all other fields). Students are contractually required to return.

Arizona institutions and their local economies benefit, too. This year, 156 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in Arizona. Institutions received \$3.6M in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

584% ROI gained on Arizona's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

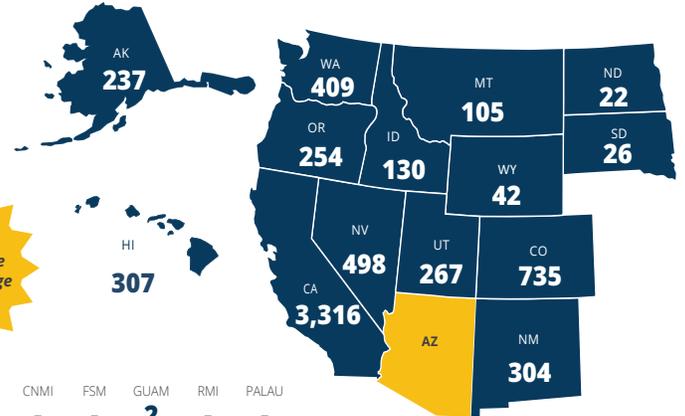
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WUE STUDENTS FROM ARIZONA: **1,879**



6,654 WUE students chose to attend college in Arizona

WUE STUDENTS TO ARIZONA: **6,654**



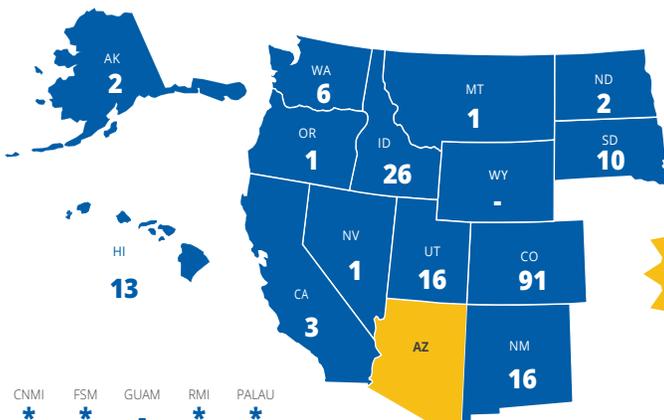
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* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

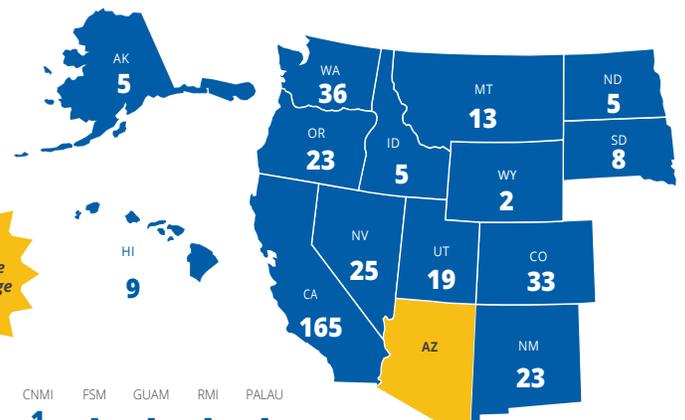
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM ARIZONA: **188**



372 WRGP students chose to attend college in Arizona

WRGP STUDENTS TO ARIZONA: **372**



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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	41	\$1,173,625
Optometry	24	\$436,670
Osteopathic Medicine	41	\$986,125
Podiatry	6	\$102,000
Veterinary Medicine	35	\$1,186,500
TOTAL	147	\$3,884,920

PSEP students from Arizona saved \$3,884,920 in tuition ↗

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING



“ PSEP benefits our students, school, and state. Arizonans often have limited health care access due to small numbers of practicing physicians. PSEP addresses this need by providing support to Arizona students to become health care professionals and return to their home state to practice. I always encourage applicants from the WICHE region to apply for PSEP funding. ”

DR. LORI KEMPER, D.O. Dean, College of Osteopathic Medicine, Midwestern University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$248.22M TOTAL SAVED

by California students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$232.05M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$16.17M SAVED through WRGP AY 2022

WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE



WUE

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 California undergraduate students:

- ▶ Northern Arizona University (2,492)
- ▶ University of Nevada Reno (2,454)
- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (2,128)

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

- ▶ Cal Poly Humboldt (201)
- ▶ California State University Sacramento (136)
- ▶ California State University Maritime Academy (118)

WESTERN REGIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM



WRGP

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 California graduate students:

- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (186)
- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (163)
- ▶ University of Arizona (86)

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

- ▶ Cal Poly Humboldt (25)
- ▶ San Francisco State University (11)
- ▶ California State University Monterey Bay (2)

PROFESSIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM



PSEP

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.

California doesn't use PSEP for its residents because it operates public programs in most PSEP fields, with the exception of osteopathic medicine and podiatry.

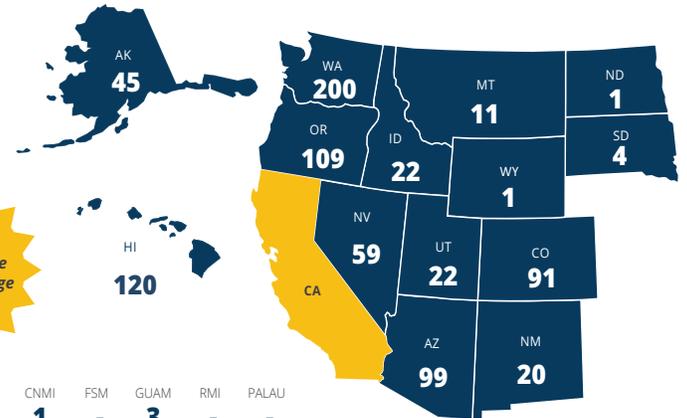
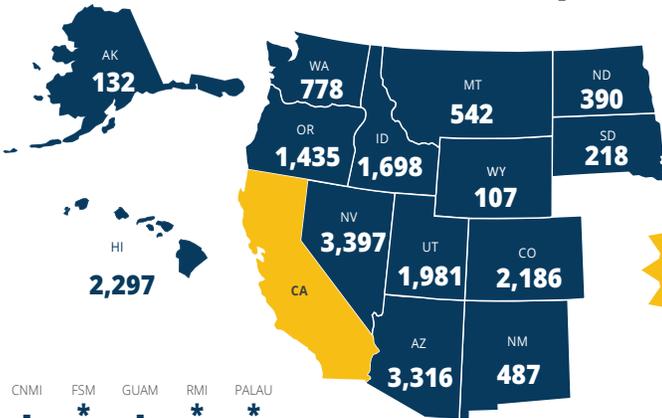
However, California institutions and their local economies still benefit from PSEP. This year, 40 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in California. Institutions received \$885,967 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

156,115% ROI gained on California's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM CALIFORNIA: **18,964**

WUE STUDENTS TO CALIFORNIA: **808**



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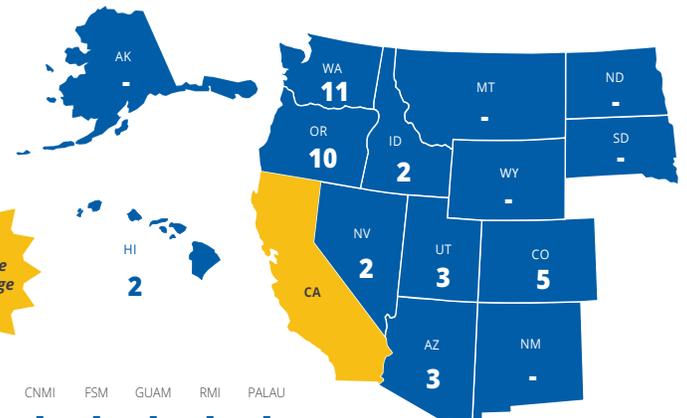
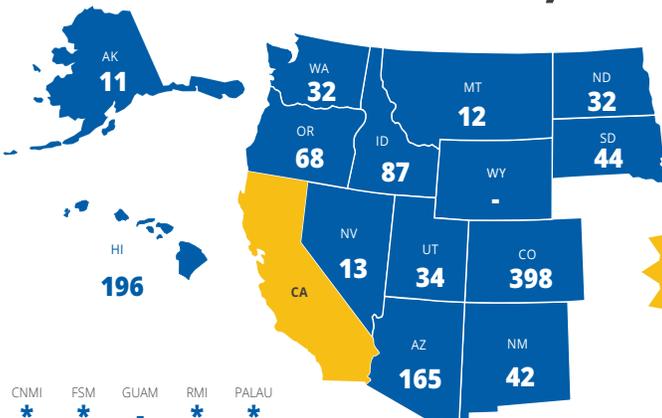
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* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM CALIFORNIA: **1,134**

WRGP STUDENTS TO CALIFORNIA: **38**



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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“As a California resident, I can attend New Mexico State University and pay in-state tuition with WRGP. It has allowed me to branch out into a new field and make new connections. Thanks to WRGP and the support of my department, I’ll be presenting at a national archaeology conference before I graduate.”

ANDREW California resident, Anthropology, New Mexico State University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$45.33M TOTAL SAVED

by Colorado students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$42.12M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$2.84M SAVED through WRGP AY 2022

\$374,300 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 Colorado undergraduate students:

- ▶ Northern Arizona University (560)
- ▶ Montana State University Bozeman (402)
- ▶ Laramie County Community College (289)

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

- ▶ Colorado State University (2,286)
- ▶ Colorado Mesa University (625)
- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (441)

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 Colorado graduate students:

- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (26)
- ▶ University of Utah (17)
- ▶ University of Idaho (15)

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

- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (418)
- ▶ University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (182)
- ▶ University of Northern Colorado (102)

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.

19 Colorado students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

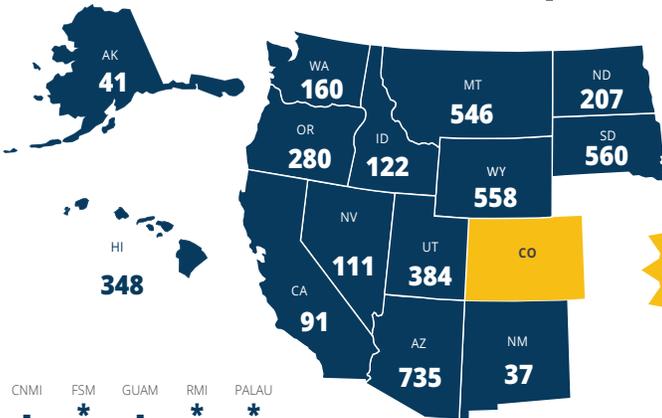
80% of Colorado's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012–21). Students are contractually required to return.

Colorado institutions and their local economies benefit, too. This year, 85 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in Colorado. Institutions received \$2.65M in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

8,500% ROI gained on Colorado's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

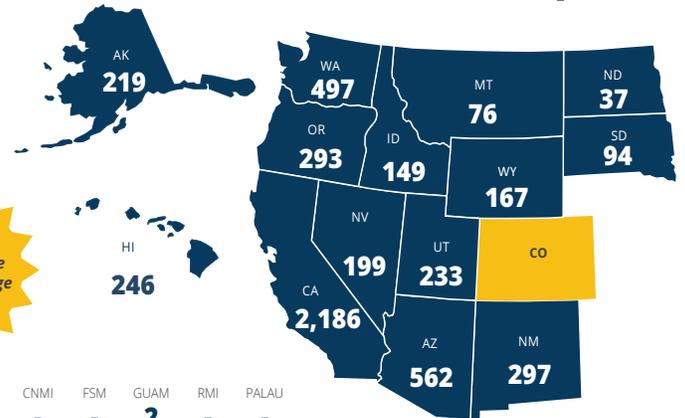
WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM COLORADO: **4,180**



5,257 WUE students chose to attend college in Colorado

WUE STUDENTS TO COLORADO: **5,257**



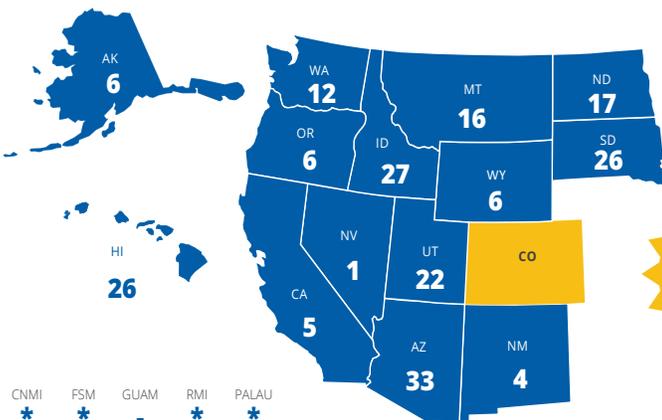
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* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

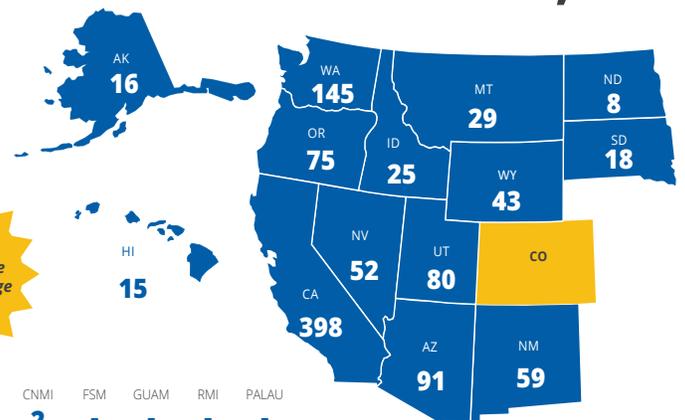
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM COLORADO: **207**



1,056 WRGP students chose to attend college in Colorado

WRGP STUDENTS TO COLORADO: **1,056**



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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Optometry	19	\$374,300
TOTAL	19	\$374,300

PSEP students from Colorado saved \$374,300 in tuition ↗

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“ WRGP has been a game changer! Growing up in poverty, surviving domestic violence, and living in shelters, I never dreamed I could get a high-quality education. Thanks to WRGP tuition savings, I can afford food and living expenses. I plan to provide patient care in the future. ”

JOSE California resident, Modern Human Anatomy, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$25.69M
TOTAL SAVED

by Hawai'i students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$23.82M
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

\$633,185
SAVED
through WRGP
AY 2022

\$1.23M
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 Hawai'i undergraduate students:

- ▶ **University of Nevada Las Vegas (476)**
- ▶ **Northern Arizona University (214)**
- ▶ **Washington State University (137)**

Top Hawai'i WUE schools for out-of-state undergraduate students:

- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (3,262)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Hilo (396)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i-West O'ahu (11)**

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 Hawai'i graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Arizona (7)**
- ▶ **University of Northern Colorado (4)**
- ▶ **University of Colorado Denver (4)**

Top Hawai'i WRGP schools for out-of-state graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (368)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Hilo (21)**

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.

53 Hawai'i students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

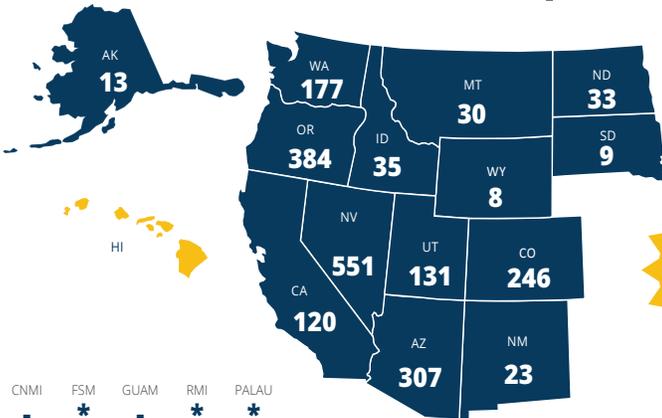
62% of Hawai'i's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-21). Students are contractually required to return.

Hawai'i institutions and their local economies benefit, too. This year, 2 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in Hawai'i. Institutions received \$68,350 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

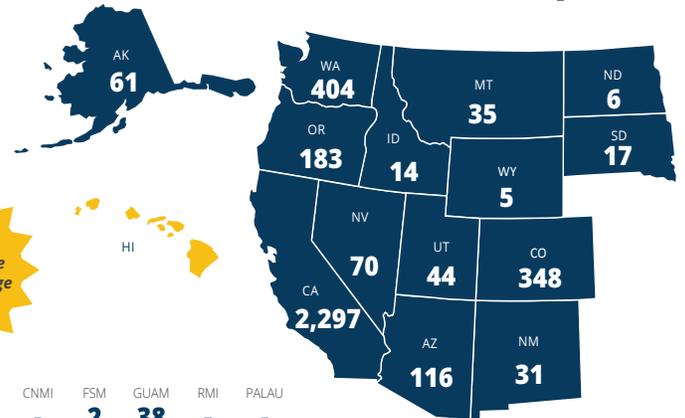
1,851% ROI gained on Hawai'i's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS **FROM** HAWAII: **2,067**



WUE STUDENTS **TO** HAWAII: **3,671**

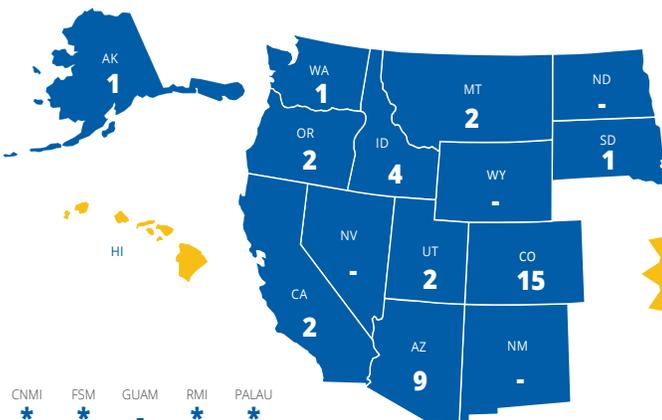


3,671 WUE students chose to attend college in Hawai'i

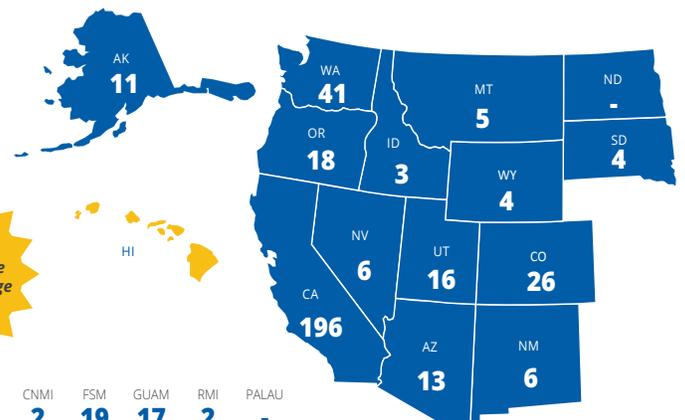
* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS **FROM** HAWAII: **39**



WRGP STUDENTS **TO** HAWAII: **389**



389 WRGP students chose to attend college in Hawai'i

* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	9	\$267,167
Occupational Therapy	5	\$69,883
Optometry	12	\$236,400
Physical Therapy	13	\$214,500
Veterinary Medicine	14	\$440,700
TOTAL	53	\$1,228,650

PSEP students from Hawai'i saved \$1,228,650 in tuition ↗

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



"I am extremely grateful for the opportunity PSEP has given me to further my education and career goals. Once I graduate, I plan on returning home to O'ahu and serving my community as a physical therapist. Thanks to PSEP and the State of Hawai'i, I'll have less of a financial burden when I graduate."

CHRISTINA Hawai'i resident, Physical Therapy, Pacific University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$20.86M
TOTAL SAVED

by Idaho students in AY 2022
through WICHE Student
Access Programs

\$18.52M
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

\$2.33M
SAVED
through WRGP
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 Idaho undergraduate students:

- ▶ **Washington State University (155)**
- ▶ **University of Utah (152)**
- ▶ **Montana State University Bozeman (122)**

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

- ▶ **Boise State University (2,542)**
- ▶ **University of Idaho (1,679)**
- ▶ **Idaho State University (141)**

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 Idaho graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Utah (51)**
- ▶ **Utah State University (10)**
- ▶ **University of Colorado Denver (9)**

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

- ▶ **University of Idaho (248)**
- ▶ **Idaho State University (118)**
- ▶ **Boise State University (30)**

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.

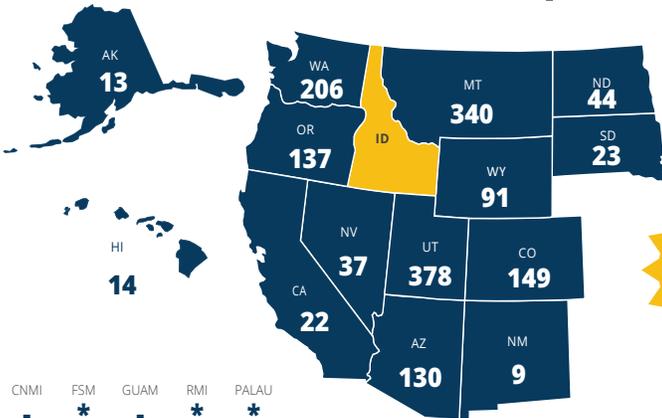
Idaho has elected not to use PSEP for its residents because it partners directly with neighboring states or operates public programs in most PSEP fields, with the exception of optometry, osteopathic medicine, and podiatry.

However, Idaho institutions and their local economies still benefit from PSEP. This year, 3 PSEP students enrolled in public programs located in Idaho. Institutions received \$55,550 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

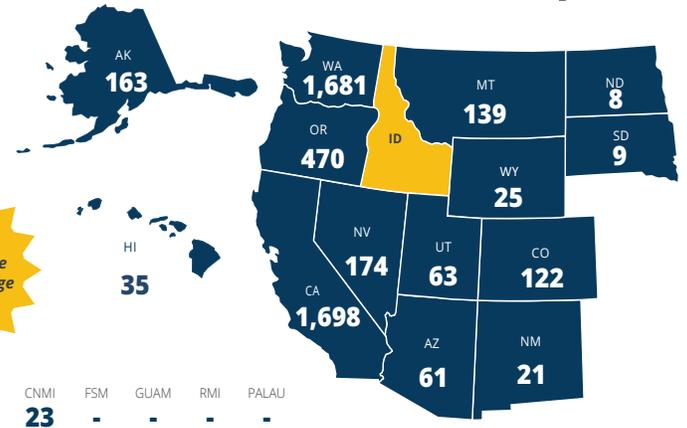
13,118% ROI gained on Idaho's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM IDAHO: **1,593**



WUE STUDENTS TO IDAHO: **4,692**

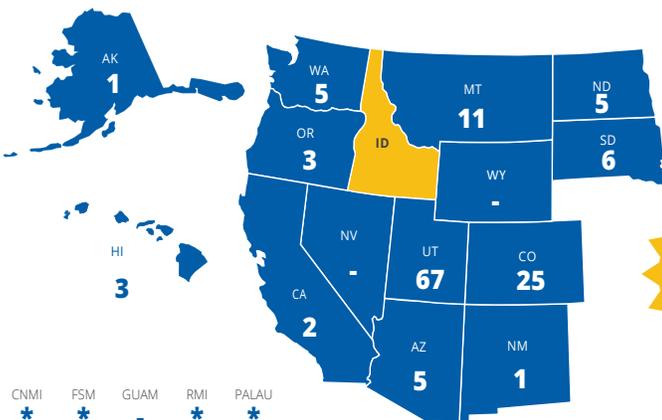


4,692 WUE students chose to attend college in Idaho

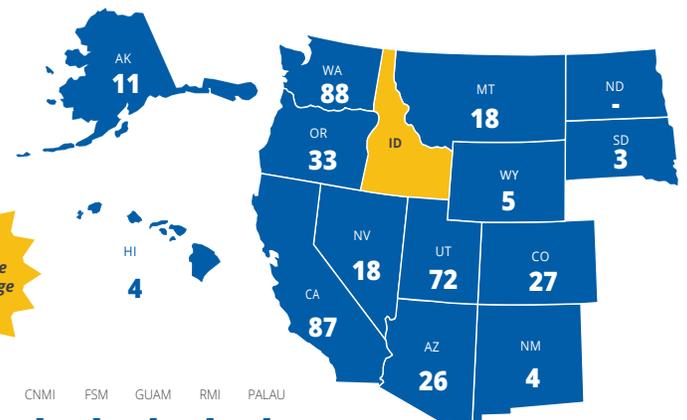
* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM IDAHO: **134**



WRGP STUDENTS TO IDAHO: **396**



396 WRGP students chose to attend college in Idaho

* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“ WUE has not only significantly reduced the stress of paying for college, but it has also given me opportunities that were not available in my home state. Thanks to WUE, I've been able to afford out-of-state college and explore places I would never have seen otherwise. ”

HAYDEN Washington resident, Fire Service Administration, Idaho State University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$12.15M TOTAL SAVED

by Montana students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$8.18M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$1.62M SAVED through WRGP AY 2022

\$2.35M 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 Montana undergraduate students:

- ▶ Northwest College (101)
- ▶ Sheridan College (89)
- ▶ Williston State College (87)

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

- ▶ Montana State University Bozeman (1,693)
- ▶ University of Montana (841)
- ▶ University of Montana Western (274)

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 Montana graduate students:

- ▶ University of Utah (15)
- ▶ University of Arizona (11)
- ▶ University of Idaho (11)

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

- ▶ University of Montana (46)
- ▶ Montana State University Billings (34)
- ▶ Montana State University Bozeman (24)

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.

82 Montana students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

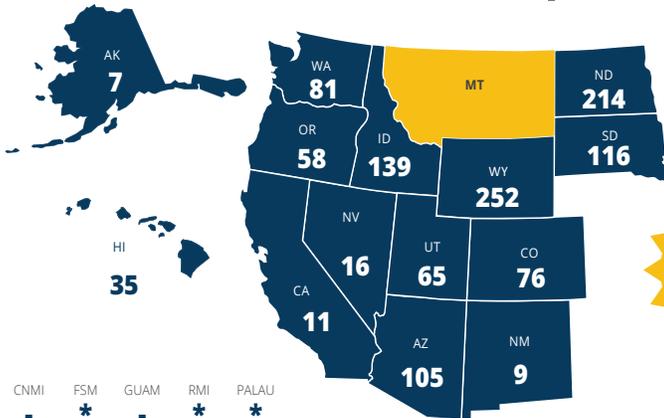
59% of Montana's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012–16 for physicians, 2012–21 for all other fields). Students are not contractually required to return.

Montana institutions and their local economies benefit, too. This year, 3 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in Montana. The institution received \$49,500 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

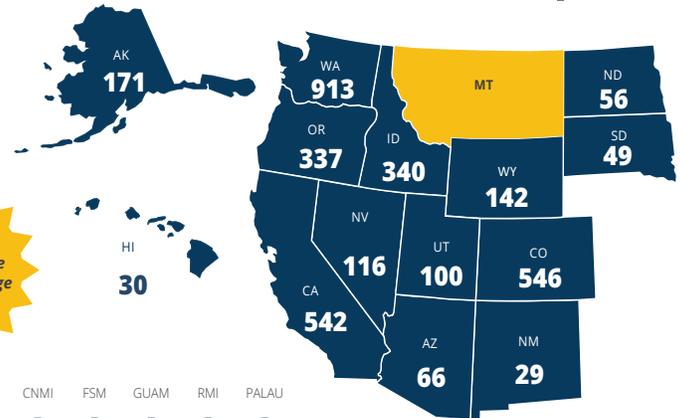
483% ROI gained on Montana's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS **FROM** MONTANA: **1,184**



WUE STUDENTS **TO** MONTANA: **3,437**

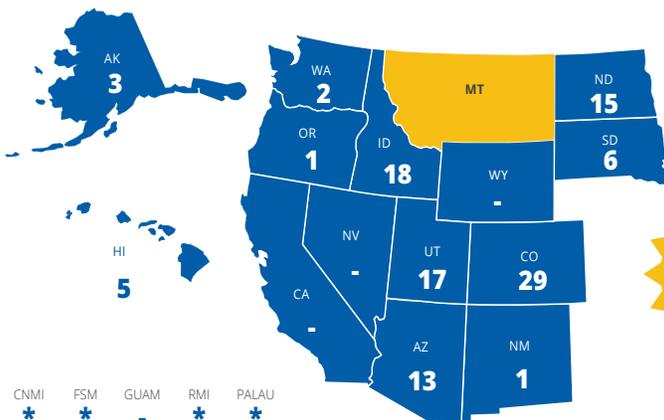


3,437 WUE students chose to attend college in Montana

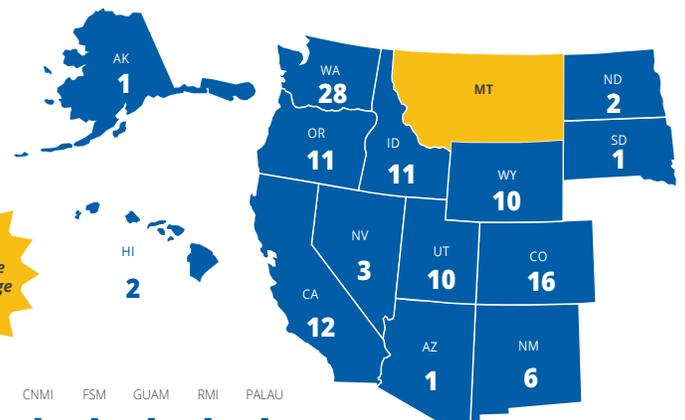
* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS **FROM** MONTANA: **110**



WRGP STUDENTS **TO** MONTANA: **114**



114 WRGP students chose to attend college in Montana

* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	12	\$343,500
Medicine	28	\$939,813
Occupational Therapy	4	\$69,883
Optometry	8	\$137,900
Osteopathic Medicine	11	\$269,500
Podiatry	0	\$0
Veterinary Medicine	19	\$593,250
TOTAL	82	\$2,353,846

PSEP students from Montana saved \$2,353,846 in tuition ↗

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“As a first-generation college student, PSEP provides the financial stability I need to attend veterinary school. Upon graduation, I will pursue my dream job in rural veterinary medicine. PSEP significantly lowers my student debt burden, making rural practice feasible. I am eternally thankful to the State of Montana and WICHE for supporting me.”

MORGAN Montana resident, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, Oregon State University

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 health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

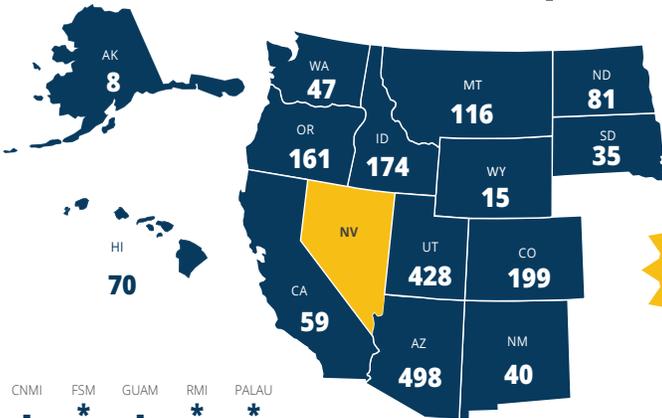
78% of Nevada's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-21). Students are contractually required to return.

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)

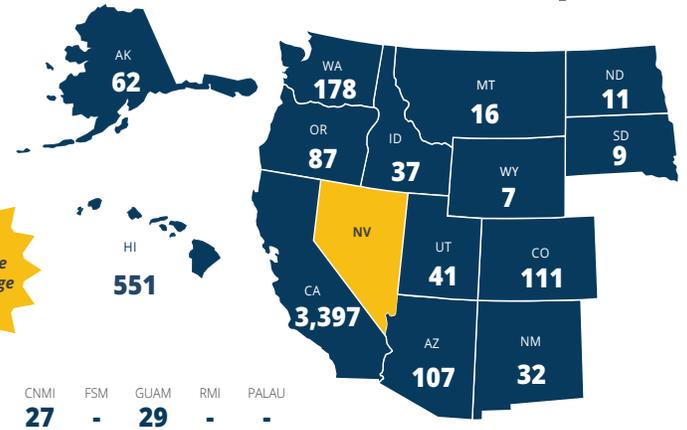
WUE

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



4,702 WUE students chose to attend college in Nevada

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



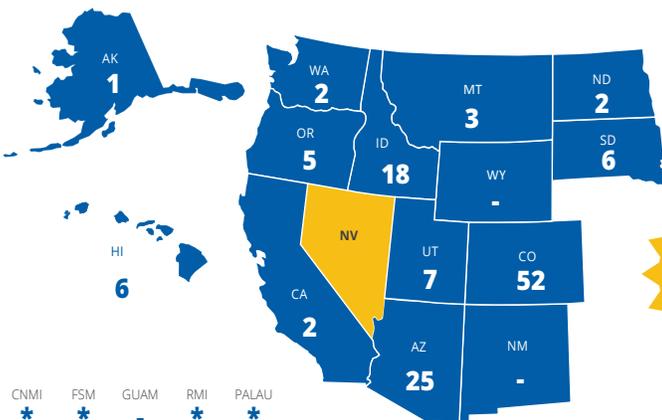
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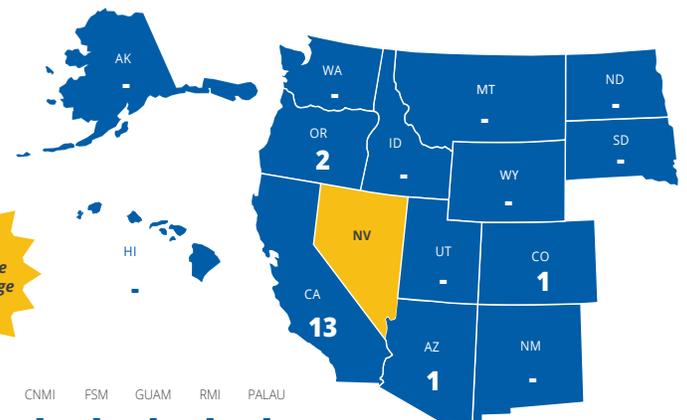
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM NEVADA: **129**



17 WRGP students chose to attend college in Nevada

WRGP STUDENTS TO NEVADA: **17**



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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

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
TOTAL	36	\$673,079

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

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$13.16M TOTAL SAVED

by New Mexico students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$9.27M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$2.01M SAVED through WRGP AY 2022

\$1.89M 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 New Mexico undergraduate students:

- ▶ Northern Arizona University (231)
- ▶ Colorado State University (124)
- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (48)

Top New Mexico WUE schools for out-of-state undergraduate students:

- ▶ University of New Mexico (369)
- ▶ New Mexico State University (181)
- ▶ Eastern New Mexico University (152)

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 New Mexico graduate students:

- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (23)
- ▶ University of Arizona (16)
- ▶ University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (13)

Top New Mexico WRGP schools for out-of-state graduate students:

- ▶ New Mexico Highlands University (46)
- ▶ University of New Mexico (16)
- ▶ New Mexico State University (6)

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.

61 New Mexico students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

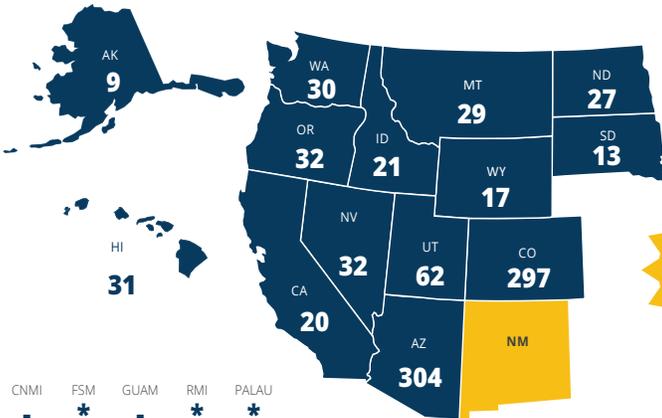
94% of New Mexico's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012–21). Students are contractually required to return.

New Mexico institutions and their local economies benefit, too. This year, 1 PSEP student enrolled in a program located in New Mexico. The institution received \$14,975 in support fees to reduce the student's tuition costs.

643% ROI gained on New Mexico's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

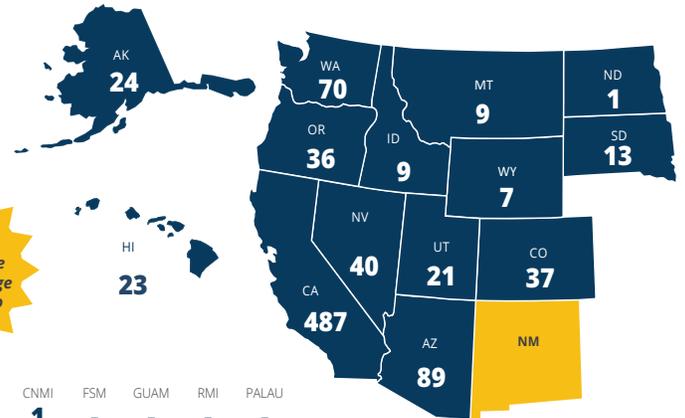
WUE

WUE STUDENTS **FROM** NEW MEXICO: **924**



867 WUE students chose to attend college in New Mexico

WUE STUDENTS **TO** NEW MEXICO: **867**



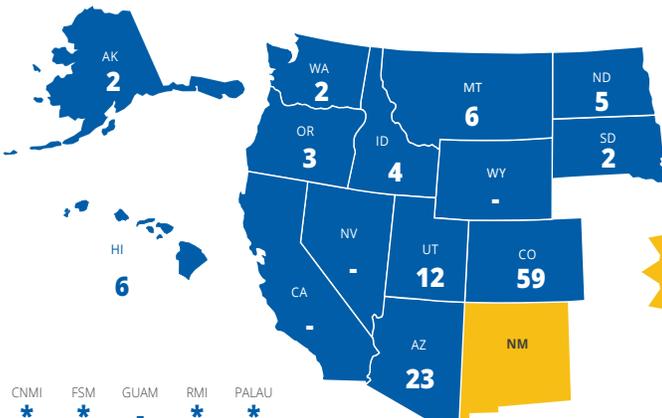
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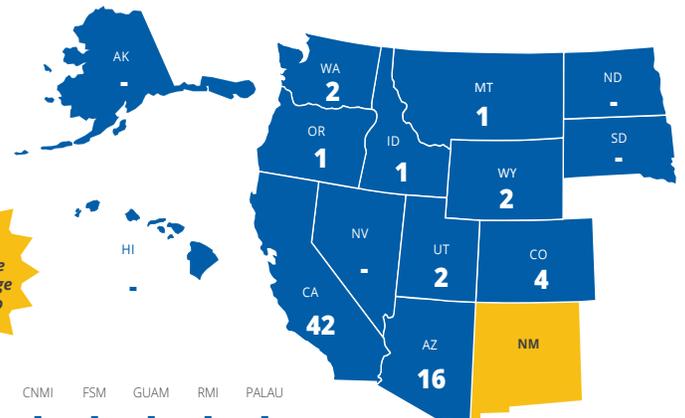
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS **FROM** NEW MEXICO: **124**



71 WRGP students chose to attend college in New Mexico

WRGP STUDENTS **TO** NEW MEXICO: **71**



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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	26	\$744,250
Optometry	3	\$59,100
Veterinary Medicine	32	\$1,084,800
TOTAL	61	\$1,888,150

PSEP students from New Mexico saved \$1,888,150 in tuition ↗

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



"PSEP removed some of the financial burden of veterinary school. I feel valued, affirmed, and supported as I pursue my personal career goals. It strengthens me to know that while there are struggles in this rigorous professional program, others are rooting for me and counting on me to return to New Mexico to practice."

SHAEFER New Mexico resident, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, Colorado State University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$3.82M TOTAL SAVED

by North Dakota students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$2.25M
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

\$523,411
SAVED
through WRGP
AY 2022

\$1.05M
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 North Dakota undergraduate students:

- ▶ **Black Hills State University (79)**
- ▶ **South Dakota State University (72)**
- ▶ **Northern State University (66)**

Top North Dakota WUE schools for out-of-state undergraduate students:

- ▶ **University of North Dakota (549)**
- ▶ **North Dakota State University (340)**
- ▶ **Minot State University (327)**

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 North Dakota graduate students:

- ▶ **University of South Dakota (12)**
- ▶ **University of Arizona (5)**
- ▶ **University of Northern Colorado (5)**

Top North Dakota WRGP schools for out-of-state graduate students:

- ▶ **North Dakota State University (85)**
- ▶ **Minot State University (27)**
- ▶ **University of North Dakota (14)**

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.

43 North Dakota students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

43% of North Dakota's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-21). Students are not contractually required to return.

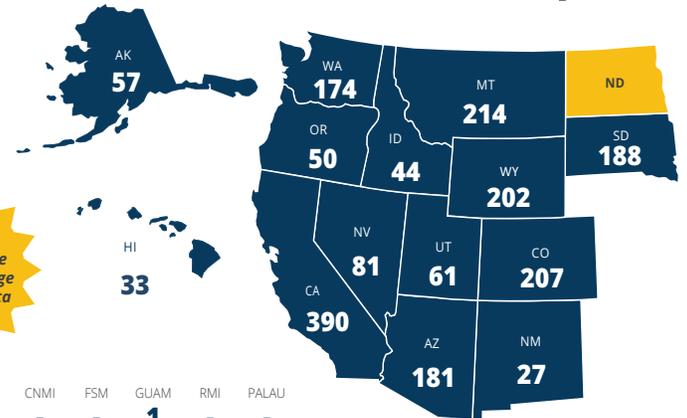
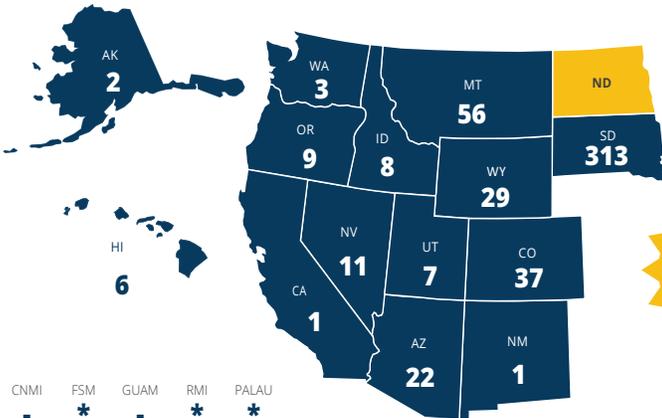
North Dakota institutions and their local economies benefit, too. This year, 6 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in North Dakota. The institution received \$169,700 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

316% ROI gained on North Dakota's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS **FROM** NORTH DAKOTA: **505**

WUE STUDENTS **TO** NORTH DAKOTA: **1,910**



1,910 WUE students chose to attend college in North Dakota

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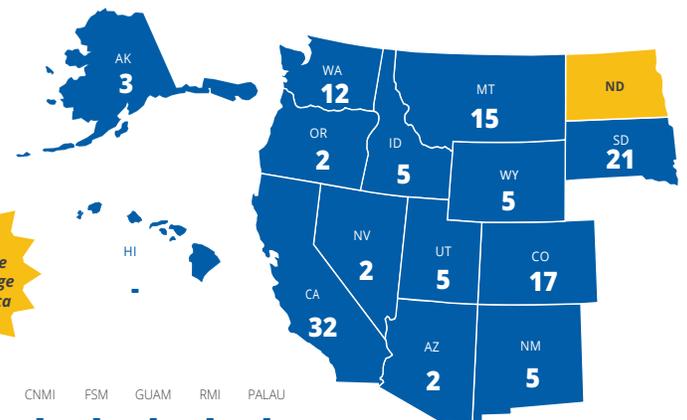
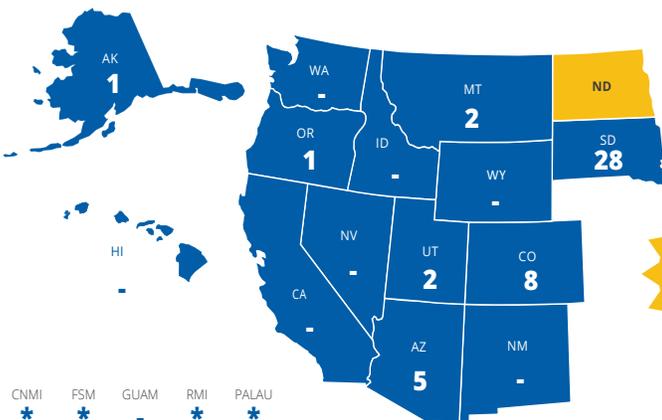
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* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS **FROM** NORTH DAKOTA: **47**

WRGP STUDENTS **TO** NORTH DAKOTA: **126**



126 WRGP students chose to attend college in North Dakota

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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	16	\$458,000
Optometry	22	\$428,550
Veterinary Medicine	5	\$169,500
TOTAL	43	\$1,051,050

PSEP students from North Dakota saved \$1,051,050 in tuition ↗

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“ WICHE’s PSEP cut the student loans I need in half. I am looking forward to having a manageable student debt load when I graduate, so that I can maintain a healthy work/life balance and have the reasonably paced veterinary career that I’ve always envisioned. ”

MORGAN North Dakota resident, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, Oregon State University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$34.8M TOTAL SAVED

by Oregon students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$31.37M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$3.43M SAVED through WRGP 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 Oregon undergraduate students:

- ▶ **University of Idaho (228)**
- ▶ **Washington State University (213)**
- ▶ **Boise State University (180)**

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

- ▶ **Oregon State University (1,033)**
- ▶ **Portland State University (857)**
- ▶ **Southern Oregon University (719)**

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 Oregon graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Colorado Denver (35)**
- ▶ **University of Idaho (18)**
- ▶ **University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (17)**

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

- ▶ **Portland State University (79)**
- ▶ **Oregon Health & Science University (32)**
- ▶ **Oregon State University (16)**

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.

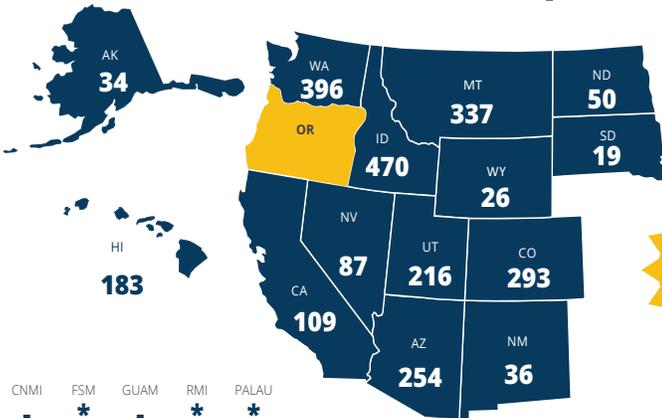
Oregon doesn't use PSEP for its residents because it operates public programs in most PSEP fields, with the exception of occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathic medicine, and podiatry.

However, Oregon institutions and their local economies still benefit from PSEP. This year, 89 PSEP students enrolled in public and private programs located in Oregon. Institutions received \$2,096,041 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

21,890% ROI gained on Oregon's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

WUE

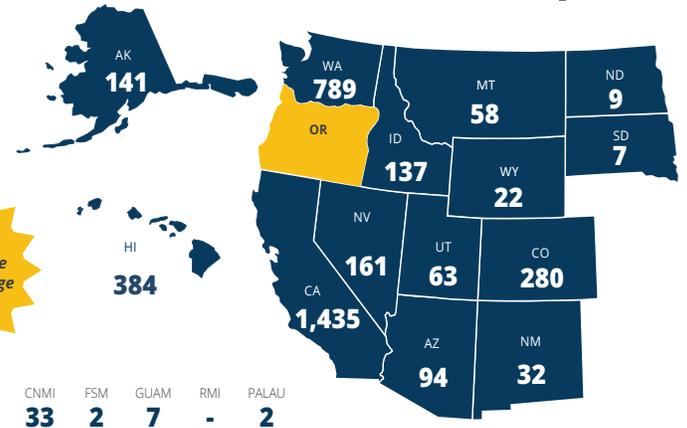
WUE STUDENTS FROM OREGON: **2,510**



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* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

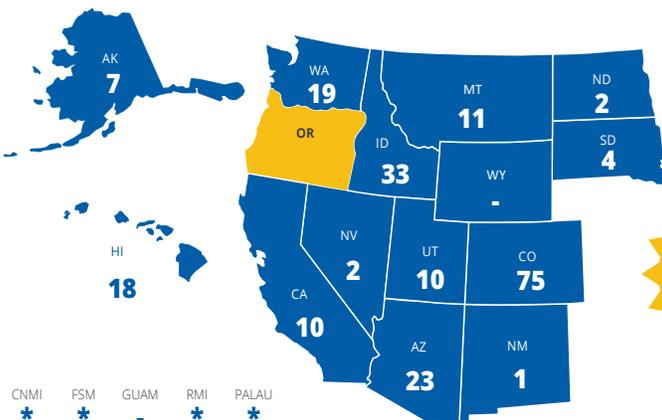
WUE STUDENTS TO OREGON: **3,656**



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WRGP

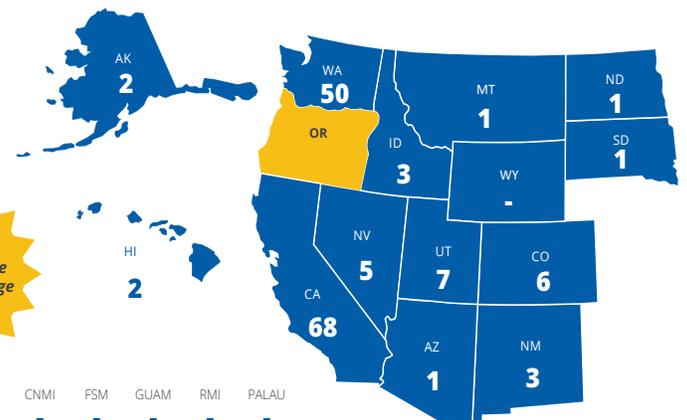
WRGP STUDENTS FROM OREGON: **215**



CNMI * FSM * GUAM - RMI * PALAU *

* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

WRGP STUDENTS TO OREGON: **150**



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WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“ I love empowering people and the field of Occupational Therapy (OT) helps me to do just that. However, there are no public programs for OT in the state of Montana, and I was really worried about covering the costs of out-of-state tuition. With the help of PSEP, I am pursuing my dream of becoming a licensed Occupational Therapist. I look forward to supporting individuals, families, and communities, empowering them to independently do the things that matter to them in their lives.. ”

SARA Montana resident, Doctor of Occupational Therapy, Pacific University (Oregon)

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$4.29M
TOTAL SAVED

by South Dakota students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$3.63M
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

\$660,924
SAVED
through WRGP
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 South Dakota undergraduate students:

- ▶ North Dakota State University (170)
- ▶ Colorado State University (45)
- ▶ Casper College (42)

Top South Dakota WUE schools for out-of-state undergraduate students:

- ▶ Black Hills State University (628)
- ▶ South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (504)
- ▶ South Dakota State University (299)

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 South Dakota graduate students:

- ▶ North Dakota State University (17)
- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (9)
- ▶ University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (5)

Top South Dakota WRGP schools for out-of-state graduate students:

- ▶ University of South Dakota (74)
- ▶ South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (36)
- ▶ Dakota State University (31)

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.

South Dakota doesn't use PSEP for its residents because students typically enroll in the state's public programs for several PSEP fields, or have agreements with neighboring states for programs not offered by their public institutions.

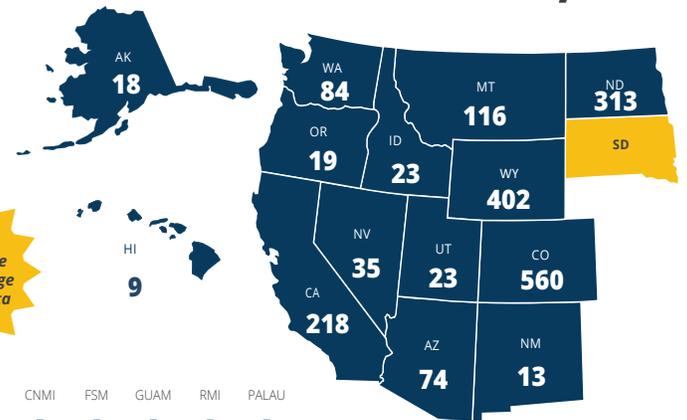
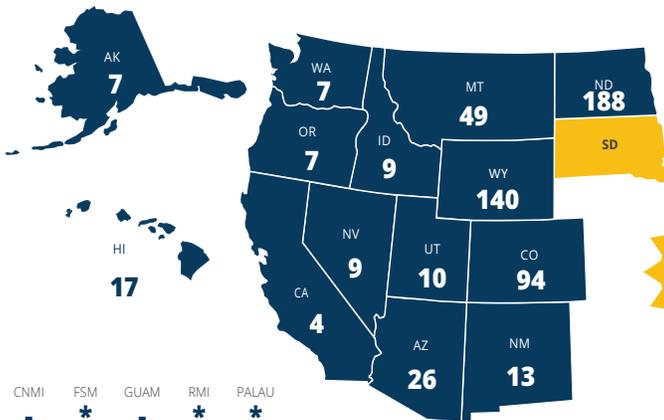
However, South Dakota institutions and their local economies still benefit from PSEP. This year, two PSEP students enrolled in public programs located in South Dakota. The institution received \$41,458 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

2,698% ROI gained on South Dakota's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS **FROM** SOUTH DAKOTA: **580**

WUE STUDENTS **TO** SOUTH DAKOTA: **1,907**



1,907 WUE students chose to attend college in South Dakota

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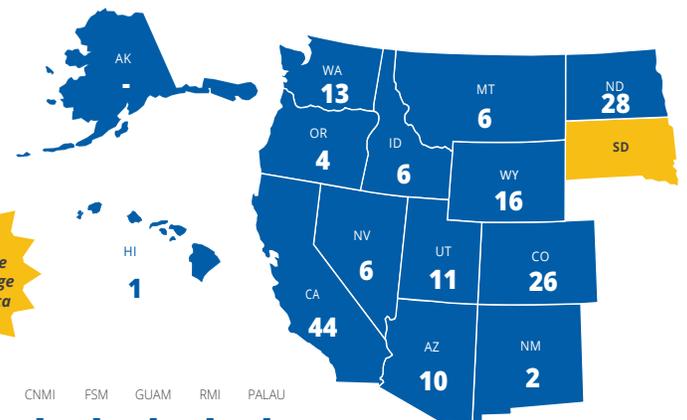
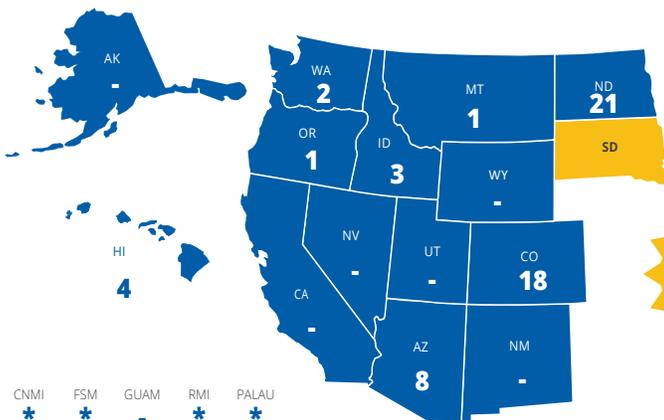
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* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS **FROM** SOUTH DAKOTA: **58**

WRGP STUDENTS **TO** SOUTH DAKOTA: **173**



173 WRGP students chose to attend college in South Dakota

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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

U.S. Pacific Territories and Freely Associated States

WICHE Membership Grows in Pacific Islands Region

The U.S. Pacific Territories and Freely Associated States membership is shared among its active members in the Pacific Islands region. This membership allows more students access to tuition savings, workforce development, and behavioral health programs.

WICHE's Pacific Islands membership is open to all the U.S. Pacific Territories and Freely Associated States after they pass the necessary legislation. As of March 1, 2023, active members include the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (2012), Guam (2016), the Republic of the Marshall Islands (2021), the Federated States of Micronesia (2021), and the Republic of Palau (2022).

WICHE's growing partnership in the region is thanks in part to substantial collaboration, as well as a grant from the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Insular Affairs, which is covering the fiscal year 2023 membership dues.

U.S. PACIFIC TERRITORIES AND FREELY ASSOCIATED STATES

REPUBLIC OF PALAU
Partnering with WICHE *since 2022*

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$18,426
TOTAL SAVED
by Republic of Palau students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$18,426
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE

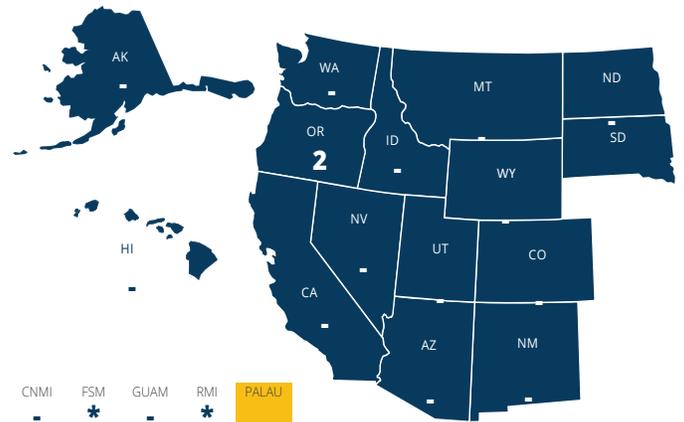


Saves **UNDERGRADUATE** students on out-of-state tuition. They pay no more than 150% of in-state tuition at partner institutions across the West.

WUE STUDENTS **FROM PALAU:** **2**

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

- ▶ **Eastern Oregon University (2)**



* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$19,212
TOTAL SAVED

by RMI students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$19,212
SAVED

through WRGP
AY 2022

WESTERN REGIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM

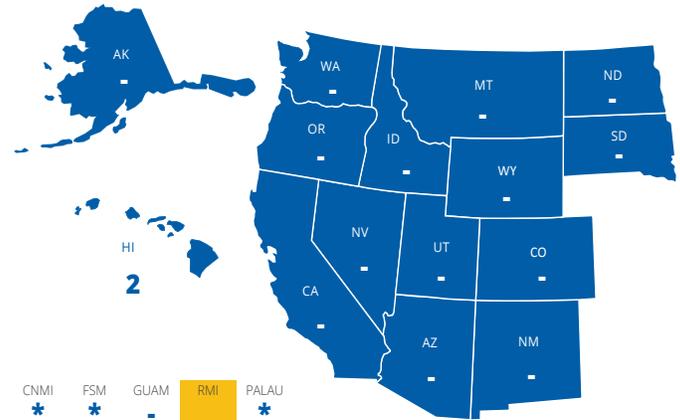


Saves students on out-of-state
GRADUATE certificate, master's,
and doctoral programs. They pay
no more than 150% of in-state
tuition at partner institutions
across the West.

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

- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (1)
- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Hilo (1)

WRGP STUDENTS FROM RMI: **2**



* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

60% ROI gained on RMI's WICHE membership dues (\$31,800/FY 2023)

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$283,376

TOTAL SAVED

by FSM students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$66,428

SAVED

through WUE
AY 2022

\$216,948

SAVED

through WRGP
AY 2022

WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE

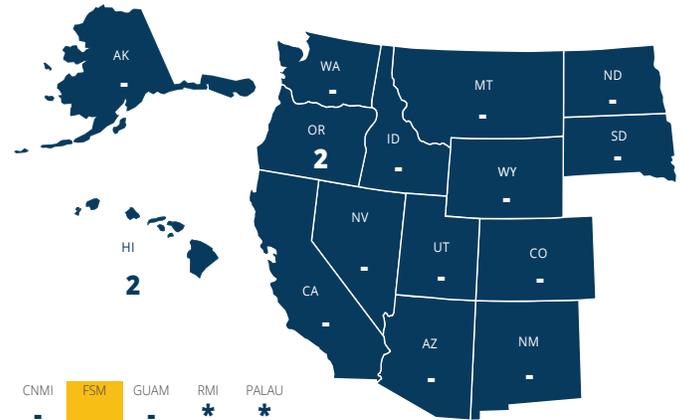


Saves **UNDERGRADUATE** students on out-of-state tuition. They pay no more than 150% of in-state tuition at partner institutions across the West.

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

- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (2)
- ▶ Oregon Institute of Technology (2)

WUE STUDENTS FROM FSM: **4**



* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WESTERN REGIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM

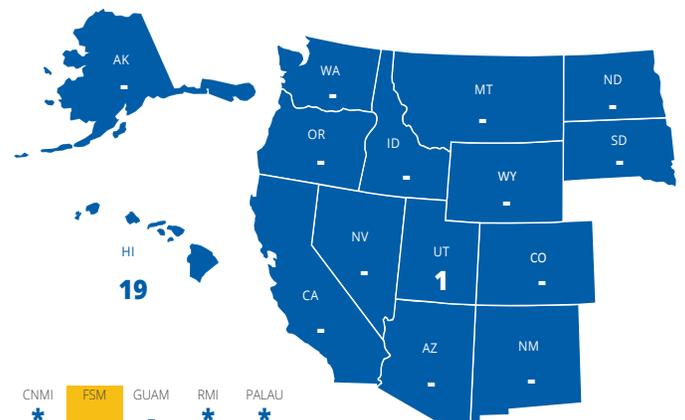


Saves students on out-of-state **GRADUATE** certificate, master's, and doctoral programs. They pay no more than 150% of in-state tuition at partner institutions across the West.

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

- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (19)
- ▶ University of Utah (1)

WRGP STUDENTS FROM FSM: **20**



* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$1.39M
TOTAL SAVED

by Guam students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$1.2M
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

\$187,788
SAVED
through WRGP
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 Guam undergraduate students:

- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (38)**
- ▶ **University of Nevada Las Vegas (27)**
- ▶ **Western Oregon University (3)**

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 Guam graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (16)**
- ▶ **University of Alaska Anchorage (2)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Hilo (1)**

PROFESSIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM



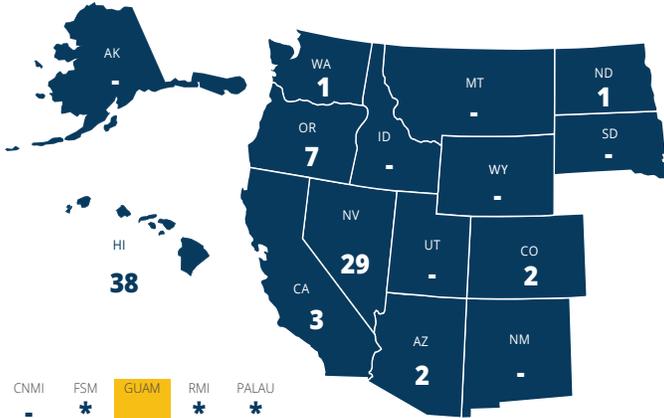
Helps students pursuing careers in **10 HEALTH FIELDS**. They can enroll in programs in the WICHE region and receive substantial tuition support from their home state/territory.

Guam did not fund students in PSEP during the 2022-23 academic year. However, Guam's legislature signed Bill 158, known as the Biråda Act, on April 7, 2022. The Biråda Act supports PSEP in Guam as a way to grow its health care workforce. WICHE looks forward to facilitating Guam's PSEP participation in future academic years.

4,372% ROI gained on Guam's WICHE membership dues (\$31,800/FY 2023)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM GUAM: **83**

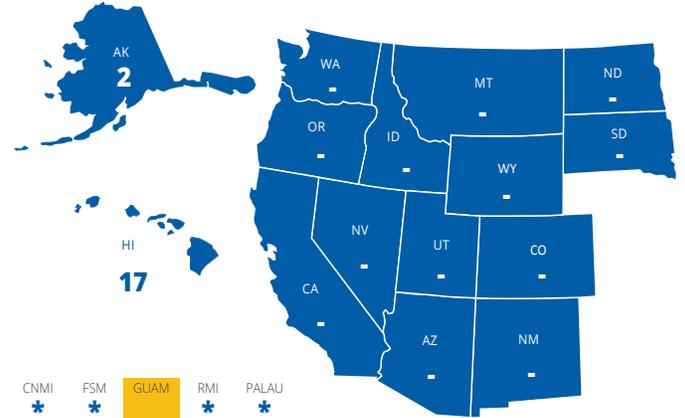


CNMI FSM GUAM RMI PALAU

* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM GUAM: **19**



CNMI FSM GUAM RMI PALAU

* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$1.51M TOTAL SAVED

by CNMI students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$1.33M SAVED

through WUE
AY 2022

\$67,005 SAVED

through WRGP
AY 2022

\$114,333 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 CNMI undergraduate students:

- ▶ **University of Nevada Las Vegas (26)**
- ▶ **Boise State University (23)**
- ▶ **Western Oregon University (19)**

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 CNMI graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (2)**
- ▶ **University of Alaska Anchorage (2)**
- ▶ **Arizona State University (1)**

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.

5 CNMI students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

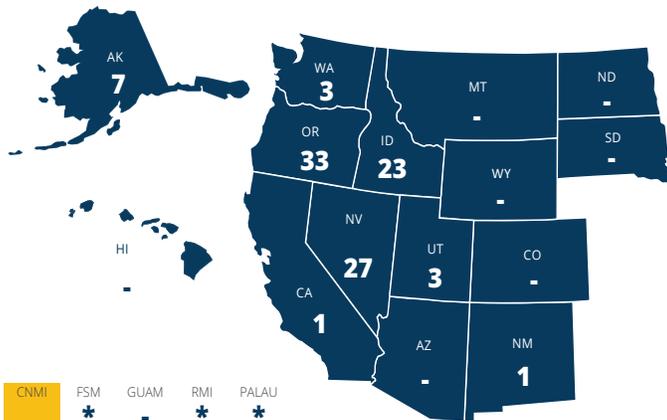
Residents can access affordable health care education at some 129 participating programs in the Western United States due to legislation passed by the CNMI in 2017.

CNMI considers applicants in the fields of allopathic medicine, dentistry, occupational therapy, osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, physician assistant, physical therapy, and veterinary medicine.

1,036% ROI gained on CNMI's WICHE membership dues (\$31,800/FY 2023)

WUE

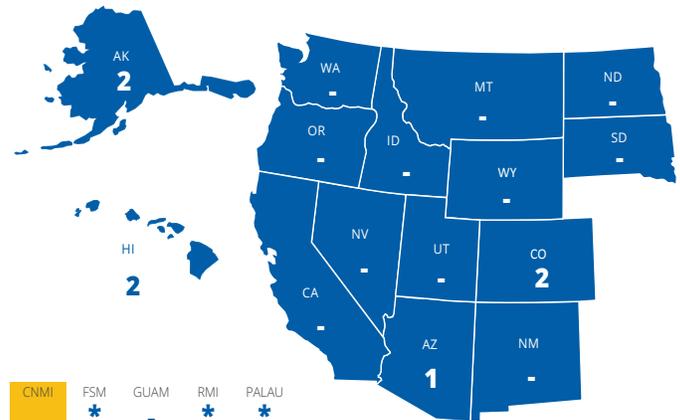
WUE STUDENTS FROM CNMI: **98**



* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM CNMI: **7**



* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	0	\$0
Medicine	1	\$34,175
Occupational Therapy	0	\$0
Osteopathic Medicine	2	\$49,000
Pharmacy	1	\$11,633
Physician Assistant	1	\$19,525
Physical Therapy	0	\$0
Veterinary Medicine	0	\$0
TOTAL	5	\$114,333

PSEP students from CNMI saved \$114,333 in tuition ↗

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“ I was born and raised in Saipan and consider it my home. Before starting my studies, I ran rescue as a nationally certified EMT and volunteered at a cancer camp for kids. Thanks to PSEP, I will have less debt after graduation, allowing me to work with the medically underserved populations there. ”

HEATHER CNMI resident, Physician Assistant, University of Washington

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$13.4M
TOTAL SAVED

by Utah students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$9.18M
SAVED
through WUE
AY 2022

\$3.64M
SAVED
through WRGP
AY 2022

\$583,700
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 Utah undergraduate students:

- ▶ Mohave Community College (162)
- ▶ Colorado Mesa University (63)
- ▶ Western Wyoming Community College (60)

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

- ▶ University of Utah (2,318)
- ▶ Utah Valley University (787)
- ▶ Southern Utah University (450)

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 Utah graduate students:

- ▶ University of Idaho (42)
- ▶ University of Colorado Denver (28)
- ▶ Idaho State University (28)

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

- ▶ University of Utah (169)
- ▶ Utah State University (28)
- ▶ Utah Valley University (9)

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.

31 Utah students paid reduced tuition for health care studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

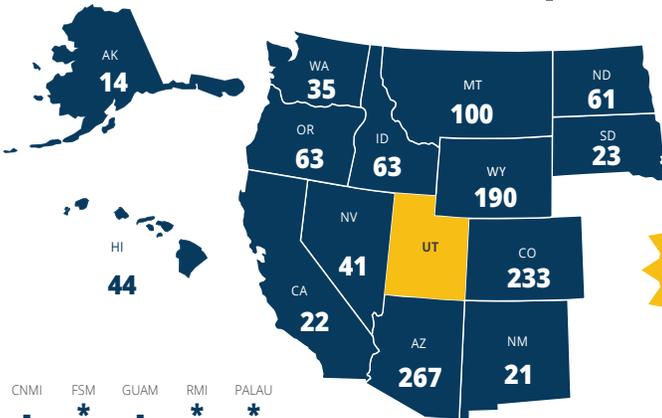
49% of Utah's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-21). Students are not contractually required to return.

Utah institutions and their local economies benefit, too. This year, 30 PSEP students enrolled in programs located in Utah. Institutions received \$807,125 in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

1,805% ROI gained on Utah's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

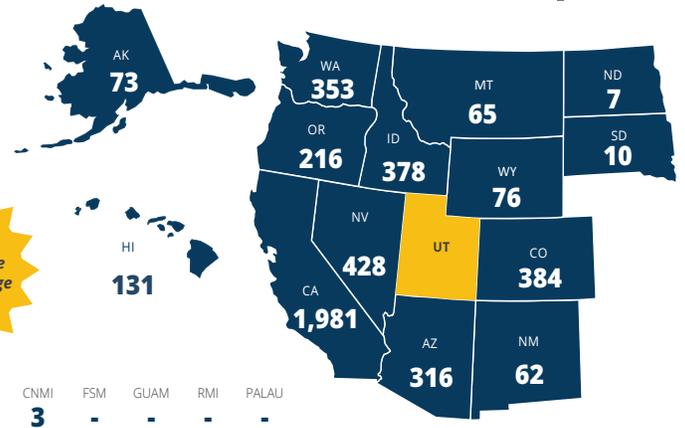
WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM UTAH: **1,177**



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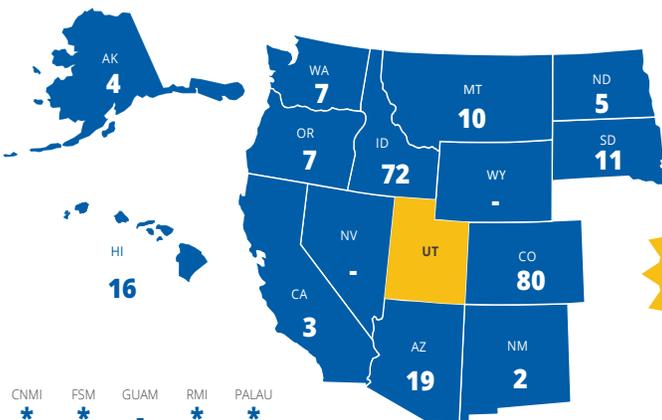
WUE STUDENTS TO UTAH: **4,483**



4,483 WUE students chose to attend college in Utah

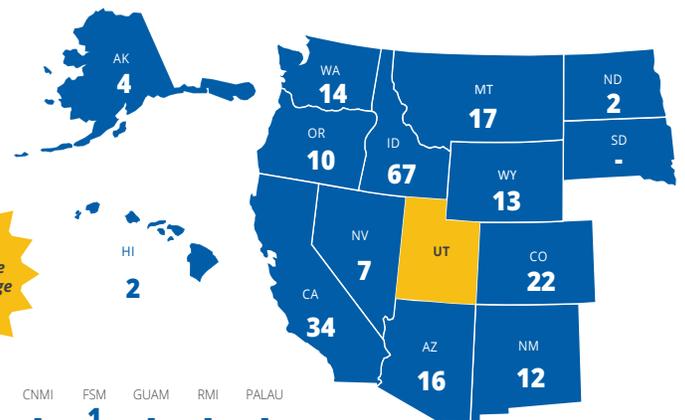
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM UTAH: **236**



* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

WRGP STUDENTS TO UTAH: **221**



221 WRGP students chose to attend college in Utah

PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Optometry	21	\$413,700
Podiatry	10	\$170,000
TOTAL	31	\$583,700

PSEP students from Utah saved \$583,700 in tuition ↗

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“ WUE has allowed me to attend college without private loans or digging into my savings. Without it, I would have had to put my education on pause. An added plus is that I'm now located much closer to my grandmother and am able to help her out. I am so grateful for WUE. ”

ALINA Washington resident, Software Engineering, Utah Tech University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$85.55M TOTAL SAVED

by Washington students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$79.06M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$6.5M SAVED through WRGP 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 Washington undergraduate students:

- ▶ **University of Idaho (862)**
- ▶ **Boise State University (732)**
- ▶ **Montana State University Bozeman (422)**

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

- ▶ **Washington State University (1,407)**
- ▶ **Western Washington University (384)**
- ▶ **Evergreen State College (149)**

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 Washington graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Idaho (79)**
- ▶ **University of Colorado Denver (50)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (40)**

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

- ▶ **University of Washington (39)**
- ▶ **Washington State University Spokane (23)**
- ▶ **Central Washington University (10)**

PROFESSIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM



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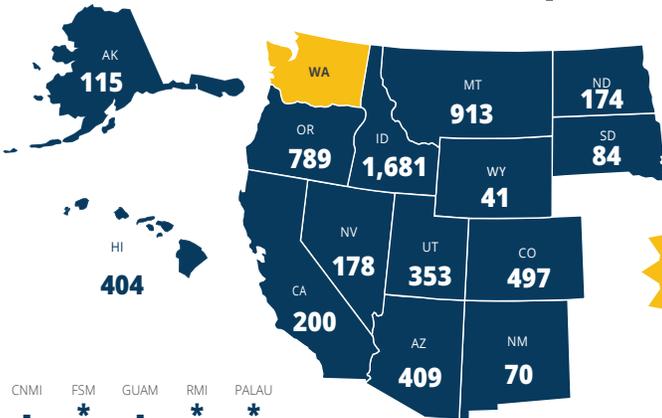
Washington has elected not to use PSEP for its residents because it operates public programs in most PSEP fields, with the exception of optometry, osteopathic medicine, and podiatry.

However, Washington institutions and their local economies still benefit from PSEP. This year, 69 PSEP students enrolled in public and private programs located in Washington. Institutions received \$2.1 million in support fees to reduce the students' tuition costs.

53,805% ROI gained on Washington's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

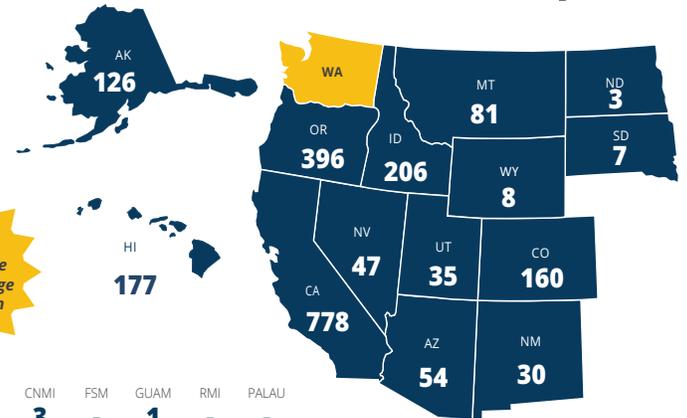
WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM WASHINGTON: **5,908**



2,112 WUE students chose to attend college in Washington

WUE STUDENTS TO WASHINGTON: **2,112**



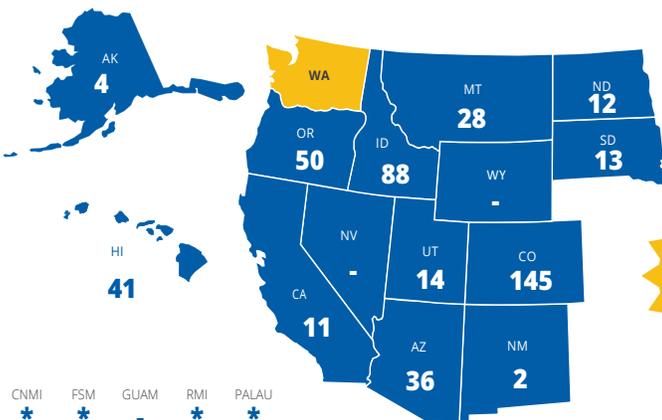
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* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

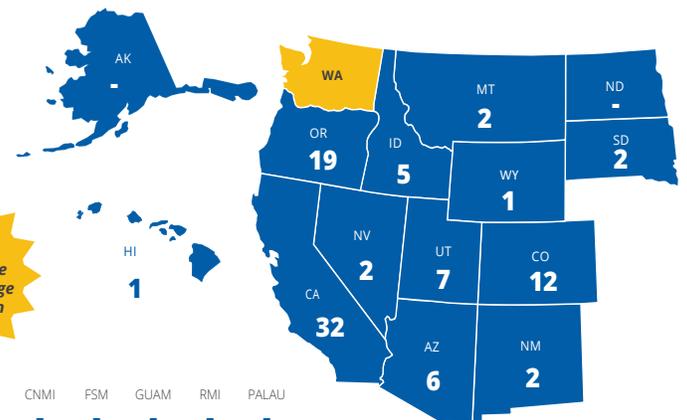
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM WASHINGTON: **444**



91 WRGP students chose to attend college in Washington

WRGP STUDENTS TO WASHINGTON: **91**



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* Currently do not have any participating WRGP schools.

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



“As a first-generation college student, figuring out how to pay for my education has been a rocky road. I recently completed my bachelor’s at Eastern Washington University (EWU) and am now moving on to my master’s in Social Work. Thanks to the reduced tuition I pay with WRGP, I can continue my education at EWU and keep high academic achievement my top priority. I’m currently interning at Sacred Heart Children’s Hospital in Spokane in the Pediatric Oncology Unit. This experience has been very fulfilling; I enjoy supporting children and their families through challenging times in their lives.”

ALIZEA Idaho resident, Master’s of Social Work, Eastern Washington University

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

\$9.4M TOTAL SAVED

by Wyoming students
in AY 2022 through WICHE
Student Access Programs

\$5.82M SAVED through WUE AY 2022

\$1.54M SAVED through WRGP AY 2022

\$2.04M 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 Wyoming undergraduate students:

- ▶ **Black Hills State University (266)**
- ▶ **South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (71)**
- ▶ **Valley City State University (60)**

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

- ▶ **Laramie County Community College (387)**
- ▶ **Casper College (251)**
- ▶ **Sheridan College (179)**

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 Wyoming graduate students:

- ▶ **University of Colorado Denver (19)**
- ▶ **University of Utah (11)**
- ▶ **University of South Dakota (11)**

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

- ▶ **University of Wyoming (6)**

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.

80 Wyoming students paid reduced tuition for healthcare studies not offered by public institutions in their home state.

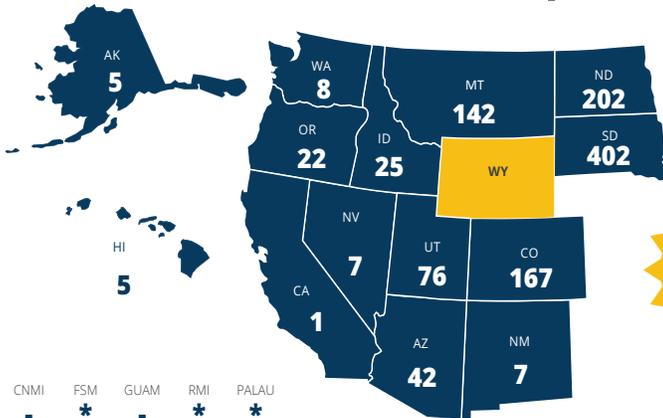
55% of Wyoming's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-16 for physicians, 2012-21 for all other fields). Students are contractually required to return, except for those studying veterinary medicine.

The University of Wyoming and the local economy can benefit from PSEP. Its doctor of pharmacy program can enroll students from other WICHE states. Enrolling institutions receive a support fee paid by the students' home states to reduce their tuition costs.

427% ROI gained on Wyoming's WICHE membership dues (\$159,000/FY 2023)

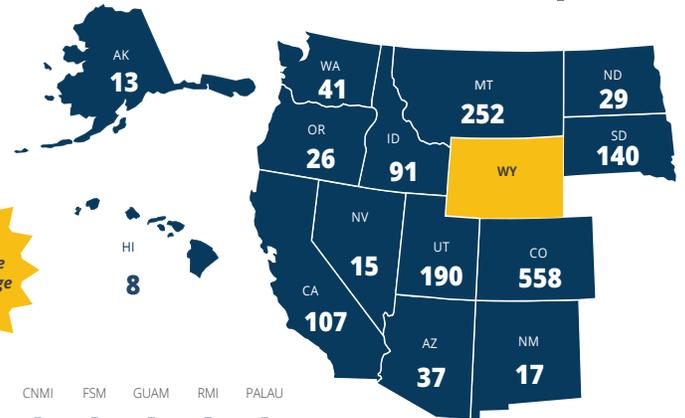
WUE

WUE STUDENTS **FROM** WYOMING: **1,111**



1,524 WUE students chose to attend college in Wyoming

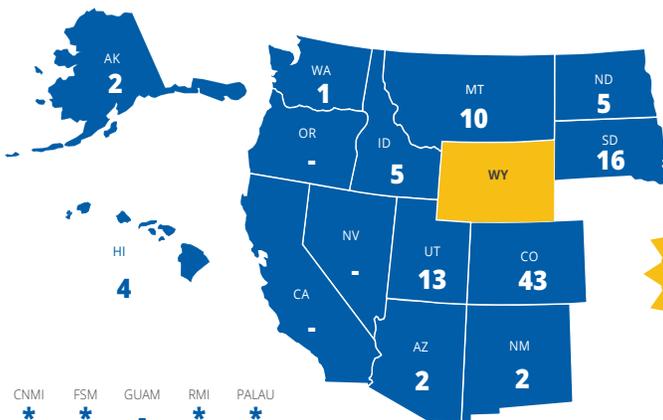
WUE STUDENTS **TO** WYOMING: **1,524**



* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

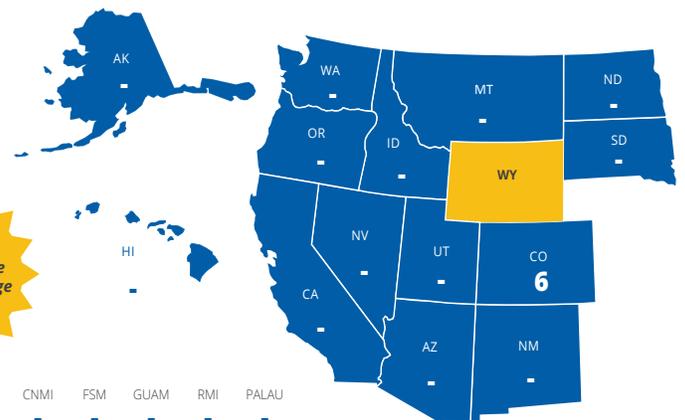
WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS **FROM** WYOMING: **103**



6 WRGP students chose to attend college in Wyoming

WRGP STUDENTS **TO** WYOMING: **6**



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PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS ENROLLED	SUPPORT FEES PAID
Dentistry	3	\$85,875
Medicine	10	\$341,750
Occupational Therapy	8	\$94,841
Optometry	6	\$118,200
Osteopathic Medicine	4	\$98,000
Physician Assistant	2	\$39,050
Physical Therapy	19	\$313,500
Podiatry	0	\$0
Veterinary Medicine	28	\$949,200
TOTAL	80	\$2,040,416

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



"I am so thankful to Wyoming and WICHE for the support to complete my Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree. Professional health care education is a huge financial burden, but PSEP has significantly reduced my student debt. Upon graduation, I will help the citizens of Wyoming live an active and healthy life through exercise and physical activity."

KEVIN Wyoming resident, Doctor of Physical Therapy, Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions

← PSEP students from Wyoming saved \$2,040,416 in tuition

CONTACT US

If you reside in the WICHE region, we welcome your participation in our programs. Learn how you can become part of WUE, WRGP, or PSEP at wiche.edu/tuition-savings, or contact the Student Access Programs team.



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