GUAM Partnering with WICHE since 2016



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

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.

WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE

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

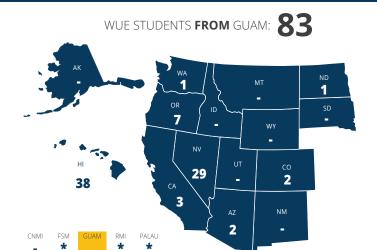


Helps students pursuing careers in 10 HEALTH FIELDS. They can enroll in programs in the WICHE region and receive substantial tuition support from their home state/territory.

Guam did not fund students in PSEP during the 2022–23 academic

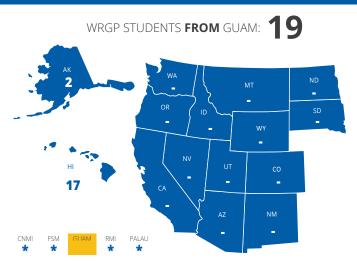
year. However, Guam's legislature signed Bill 158, known as the Biråda Act, on April 7, 2022. The Biråda Act supports PSEP in Guam as a way to grow its healthcare workforce. WICHE looks forward to facilitating Guam's PSEP participation in future academic years.

WUE



* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

WRGP



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Regional collaboration



OUR GROWING PARTNERSHIP in the region is thanks in part to substantial collaboration and leadership, as well as a grant from the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Insular Affairs, which was renewed for a second consecutive year in 2022 to cover WICHE's annual dues. Participation in WICHE is open to all the U.S. Pacific Territories and Freely Associated States, once they pass the necessary legislation; currently this includes the CNMI, Guam, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau.

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

WESTERN ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP FORUM – 4-YEAR INSTITUTIONS

▶ University of Guam

Anita Borja Enriquez serves on the Forum executive committee.

WESTERN ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY is a year-long professional development program for academic leaders aspiring to become chief academic officers in the WICHE region.

NO HOLDING BACK Twelve WICHE institutions participate in a community of practice in which institutions are analyzing data and revising policies related to transcript and student holds in 2022-23.

WICHE staff have provided technical assistance for Guam's considerations related to authorizing off-island postsecondary institutions and potentially examining the need for participating in the **STATE AUTHORIZATION RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT (SARA)**. Additionally, WICHE continues to advocate for considering the unique challenges faced by the Pacific Islands and the need for incorporating their data in federal collections and analysis.

Sound public policy



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

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

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

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

SPECIAL PROJECTS WICHE continues to advocate for considering the unique challenges faced by the Pacific Islands and the need for incorporating their data in federal collections and analysis.

Optimal behavioral healthcare



Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) contracts with the WICHE BHP to facilitate development of a **DOCTORAL PSYCHOLOGY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM** to support the preparation and retention of doctoral-level psychologists in Guam. The BHP works with GBHWC to ensure the program meets the accreditation requirements of the American Psychological Association (APA), and to support the internship program through the accreditation process. The Guam-PIC accepted their first cohort of two interns for the 2022-23 academic year.

TOGETHER WITH VETERANS (TWV) – RURAL VETERAN SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM enlists rural Veterans and local partners to join forces to reduce Veteran suicide in their own community. Funded by the US Department of Veterans Affairs and administered by the WICHE BHP, TWV provides communities with individualized coaching, tools, training, technical assistance, and resources to implement the program in their own communities. The BHP supports 35 rural communities as far east as New Hampshire and as far west as Guam, and of those, supports 11 rural communities in the WICHE region. TWV has one site in Guam, which to date has served nearly 800 rural veterans.

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