

ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24

\$27.7M

TOTAL SAVED

by Hawai'i students through WICHE Student Access Programs

\$25.7M
SAVED
through WUE

\$685,502
SAVED
through WRGP

\$1.3M
SAVED
through PSEP

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

- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (3,350)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Hilo (363)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i-West O'ahu (11)**

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

- ▶ **University of Nevada, Las Vegas (448)**
- ▶ **Oregon State University (222)**
- ▶ **Northern Arizona University (205)**

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

- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (377)**
- ▶ **University of Hawai'i at Hilo (15)**

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

- ▶ **University of Arizona (6)**
- ▶ **University of Colorado Denver (5)**
- ▶ **University of Idaho (4)**

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.

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

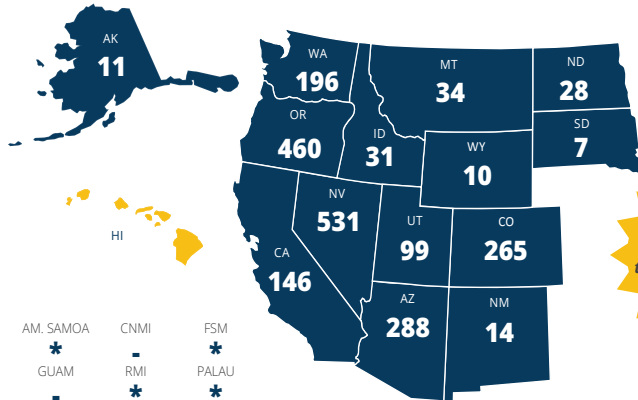
62% of Hawaii's PSEP graduates returned home to practice (2012-21). Students are contractually required to return.

Hawai'i's institutions and their local economies benefit too. This year, 1 PSEP student enrolled in a program located in Hawai'i. The institution received \$34,950 in support fees to reduce the student's tuition costs.

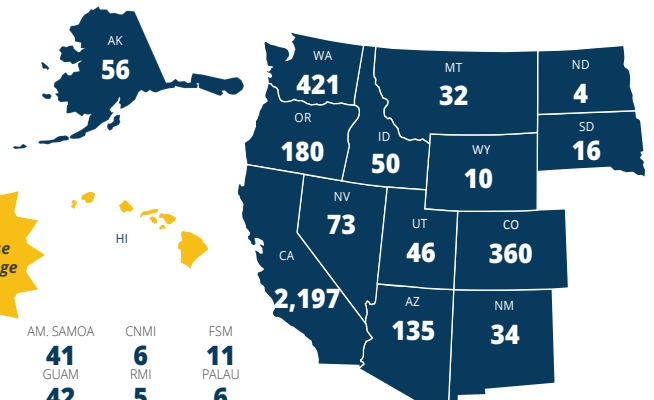
1,863% ROI Gained on Hawai'i's WICHE annual dues (\$164,000/FY 2024)

WUE

WUE STUDENTS FROM HAWAII: **2,120**



WUE STUDENTS TO HAWAII: **3,725**



3,725 WUE students chose to attend college in Hawaii

AM. SAMOA *
GUAM -
FSM *
RMI *
PALAU *

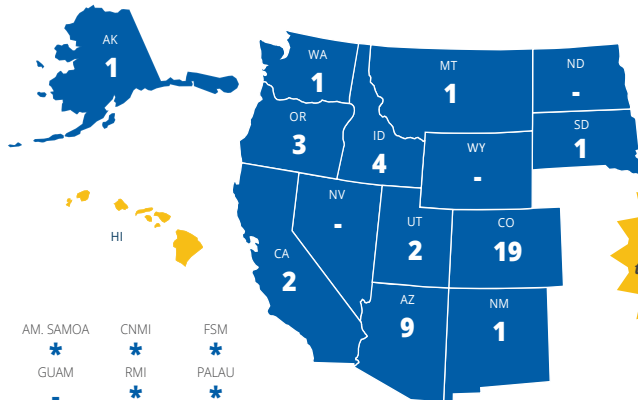
AM. SAMOA 41
GUAM 42
FSM 11
RMI 6
PALAU 6

* Currently do not have any participating WUE schools.

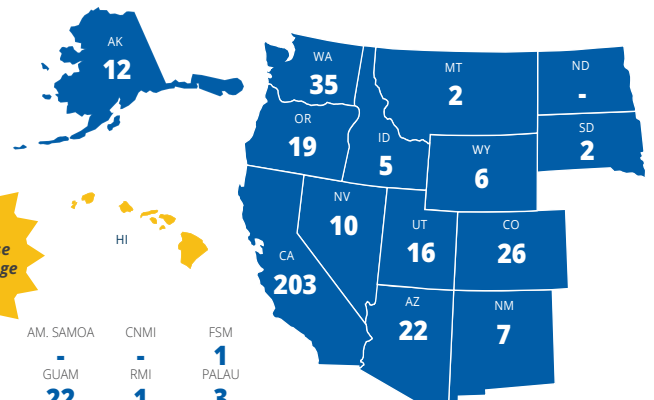
Note: Students from American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, and some Guam students are eligible for the University of Hawaii Pacific Islander rate, which is the equivalent of the WUE rate. These students are also reported here as WUE students.

WRGP

WRGP STUDENTS FROM HAWAII: **44**



WRGP STUDENTS TO HAWAII: **392**



392 WRGP students chose to attend college in Hawaii

AM. SAMOA *
GUAM -
FSM *
RMI *
PALAU *

AM. SAMOA -
GUAM 22
FSM 1
RMI -
PALAU 3

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PSEP

FIELD	STUDENTS	FEES PAID
Dentistry	8	\$253,500
Occupational Therapy	5	\$91,800
Optometry	12	\$241,500
Physical Therapy	15	\$252,750
Veterinary Medicine	15	\$485,100
TOTAL	55	\$1,324,650

PSEP students from Hawaii saved \$1,324,650 in tuition

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING



"PSEP makes medical education affordable. I have assisted vulnerable populations at the student-operated clinic, mentored high school students interested in healthcare careers, and learned about traditional Hawaiian medicine. These experiences will positively influence my future practice as a physician. As a first-generation college graduate, I am extremely grateful for PSEP financial support."

MATTHEW, Montana resident, Doctor of Medicine, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Regional collaboration

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

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

- ▶ Hawai'i Community College
- ▶ Honolulu Community College
- ▶ Kapi'olani Community College
- ▶ Kaua'i Community College
- ▶ Leeward Community College
- ▶ University of Hawai'i Maui College
- ▶ University of Hawai'i System
- ▶ Windward Community College

Della Teraoka, University of Hawai'i System, is a member of the Alliance executive committee.

WESTERN ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP FORUM – 4-YEAR INSTITUTIONS

- ▶ University of Hawai'i System
- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Hilo
- ▶ University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- ▶ University of Hawai'i, West O'ahu

Debora Halbert, University of Hawai'i System, is a member of the Alliance executive committee.

WESTERN ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY is a yearlong professional development program for academic leaders aspiring to become chief academic officers in the WICHE region. Two cohort members from Hawai'i institutions have participated in the Academy since its inception in 2015

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

Optimal behavioral healthcare

The WICHE Behavioral Health Program (BHP) continues to assist the State of Hawai'i in the operation and continuous accreditation of its psychology internship consortium. A primary goal of the internship is to increase the number of psychologists in Hawai'i and build the state's behavioral health workforce. Three Hawai'i state agencies – the Department of Education, Department of Health, and Department of Public Safety (DPS was recently merged into the Department of Corrections) – provide funding to support the WICHE BHP's ongoing development and operations of the **HAWAII PSYCHOLOGY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (HI-PIC)**.

The Hawai'i Department of Education also contracts with the WICHE BHP to provide recruitment and contracting of Clinical Psychologists to ensure all program requirements for supervision and support of staff, students, and program fidelity are maintained for **WEST HAWAII SCHOOL BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (WH-SBBH)** program. The WH-SBBH program has historically faced significant challenges recruiting and retaining professionals for service provision because of the rural and workforce challenges that leave WH-SBBH without the needed professional credentials to supervise and train new SBBH personnel. The Hawai'i Department of Education has also contracted with the WICHE Behavioral Health Program to provide recruitment of School-based Behavioral Health and School Social Worker professionals.

TOGETHER WITH VETERANS (TWV) – RURAL VETERAN SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM is a national program that enlists rural Veterans and local partners to join forces to reduce Veteran suicide in their own communities. Funded by the U.S. 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 38 rural communities as far east as New Hampshire and as far west as Guam, and of those, supports 18 rural communities in the WICHE region. The TWV Program has one site in Hawai'i, and has served over 2,300 rural veterans.

Sound public policy

KNOCKING AT THE COLLEGE DOOR is the leading U.S. resource for projections of college-ready students. *Knocking*, which includes a quadrennial publication with additional analysis, is essential for postsecondary policymakers, planning and workforce efforts, and economic development. Visit knocking.wiche.edu 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**.

WICHE'S CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS NETWORK Staff from the University of Hawai'i system office also participate in regular collaborative calls with colleagues around the region.

Innovative solutions

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

- ▶ Kapi'olani Community College
- ▶ University of Hawai'i System
- ▶ University of Hawai'i - West O'ahu

Gloria Niles, University of Hawai'i System, serves on the WCET Steering Committee.

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

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