

Western Illinois University

Board of Trustees Meeting

March 23rd – 24th, 2023

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WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 23rd – 24th, 2023

Western Illinois University
Quad Cities, Illinois
Riverfront Hall 104

Agenda Topic **Action**

March 23rd, 2023 – Riverfront Hall 104, Quad Cities

Motion to Convene to Open Session – 5:30 p.m. **Action**

Roll Call **Action**

Motion to Convene to Closed Session **Action**

Motion to Convene to Open Session **Action**

Adjourn **Action**

March 24th, 2023 – Riverfront Hall 104, Quad Cities

Motion to Convene to Open Session – 8:30 a.m. **Action**

Roll Call **Action**

Public Comments

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

Review and approval of November 30, 2022 Open and Closed Session meeting minutes and December 1, 2022 Open Session meeting minutes.

Chairperson’s Remarks

Doug Shaw

President’s Remarks

President Guiyou Huang

Agenda Topic **Action**

Reports and Discussion Items

Report No. 23.3/1

Finance Committee Report -- Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended Dec. 31, 2022
(Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, Shannon Sutton)

Report No. 23.3/2

Purchases of \$100,000-\$499,999 or Exempt Purchases of \$500,000 and Above
(Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, Shannon Sutton)

Report No. 23.3/3

Annual Debt Compliance & Management Report
(Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, Shannon Sutton)

Report No. 23.3/4

Report on Externally Sponsored Grants and Contracts for the 2nd Quarter
(Provost and Academic Vice President, Manoochehr Zoghi)

Report No. 23.3/5

Academic Affairs Report
(Provost and Academic Vice President, Manoochehr Zoghi)

Report No. 23.3/6

Report on Contributions
(Executive Officer of the Foundation, Brad Bainter)

Report No. 23.3/7

Update Board of Trustee Regulation II.B.12.e and II.C.7.f Bereavement Leave
(General Counsel, Liz Duvall and Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration,
Shannon Sutton)

Report No. 23.3/8

Enrollment Summary
(Vice President for Enrollment Management, Amber Schultz)

Report No. 23.3/9

Financial Aid Report
(Vice President for Enrollment Management, Amber Schultz)

Verbal Reports and Updates

Athletics Director, Paul Bubb

Vice President of QC Campus Operations, Kristi Mindrup

Interim Vice President for Student Success, John Smith

Interim Assistant Vice President for Communications, Marketing & Media Relations, Alisha Looney

Director of Government Relations, Jeanette Malafa

General & Advisory Group Reports and Comments

Student Government Association, Fiifi Godwyll (Macomb)

Student Government Association, Ashley Danner (Quad Cities)

Faculty Senate Chair, Bill Thompson

Faculty Council Co-Chair, WIU-Quad Cities, Everett Hamner and/or Dana Lindemann

Civil Service Employees Council President, Nicky Friedrichsen

Council of Administrative Personnel President, Justin Schuch (Reported by Vice President, Paul Bubb)

Resolutions and Action Items

Action

Resolution No. 23.3/1

Action

Fiscal Year 2024 Tuition Recommendation

(Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, Shannon Sutton and University Budget Officer, Renee Georges)

Resolution No. 23.3/2

Action

Fiscal Year 2024 Housing and Dining Rates Recommendation

(Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, Shannon Sutton; Associate Vice President Student Success John Biernbaum; Executive Director of Financial Affairs, Ketra Roselieb)

Resolution No. 23.3/3

Action

Fiscal Year 2024 Fees Recommendation

(Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, Shannon Sutton; Associate Vice President Student Success John Biernbaum; Executive Director of Financial Affairs, Ketra Roselieb; University Budget Officer, Renee Georges)

Resolution No. 23.3/4

Action

International Union of Operating Engineers, AFL-CIO Local Union No. 399 – Landscape Maintenance 2022-2023 Bargaining Agreement

(Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, Shannon Sutton)

Resolution No. 23.3/5

Action

Fiscal Year 2024 Student Health Insurance Fee Recommendation

(Interim Vice President of Student Success, John Smith)

Resolution No. 23.3/6

Action

Election of Vice Chair of the Board for March 24, 2023-June 30, 2023

(General Counsel, Liz Duvall)

Old Business

New Business

Next Meeting

June 7th – 8th, 2023 – Macomb, University Union, Capital Room

Adjourn

Action

- The meetings audio will be streamed live at <https://www.youtube.com/user/WesternIllinoisU>
- Public comments will be held to a total of 30 minutes. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes for those speaking in person and 500 words for those writing. Those who wish to have your comments

read, please email them to Athena Brooks at AM-Brooks@WIU.edu by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

- Trustees will meet in person.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Review and Approval of the Meeting Minutes of:
November 30, 2022

Minutes will be available for review at:

http://www.wiu.edu/board_of_trustees/minutes/index.php

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Review and Approval of the Meeting Minutes of:
December 1, 2022

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WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/1 -- Finance Committee Report -- Budget and Financial Data for Quarter ending Dec. 31, 2022

The Board of Trustees reviews preliminary fiscal year (July 1 – June 30) spending plans each June, and the Board approves all-funds budgets each September. Once approved by the Board, Western Illinois University’s all-funds budgets are submitted to the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois State Legislature, and the Governor.

The Board of Trustees approved the Western Illinois University Fiscal Year 2023 All Funds Budget by source of funds and estimated object of expenditure on September 22, 2022 (see Western Illinois University Board of Trustees Resolution No. 22.9/1). Per Board approval, Western Illinois University is authorized to spend up to \$213.4 million during Fiscal Year 2023, and the President is authorized to make technical adjustments in budgets if necessary.

After approving institutional spending plans, the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees will receive quarterly revenue and expenditure reports to review the University’s financial status and compliance with institutional spending plans. Tables 1 and 2 on the following pages display revenue and expenditures for Appropriated Funds and Auxiliary Facilities System Funds for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2023.

Appropriated Funds

Fiscal Year 2023 Revenue through December 31, 2022

Tuition, interest, and other income are estimated in the fall and based on projected enrollments, historical retention rates, and prior year assessed tuition and tuition waivers. The Fiscal Year 2023 estimate for tuition, interest, and other income is \$52.9 million. At the end of December, Income Fund revenue was 53.0% of current year estimates.

Fiscal Year 2023 Income Fund Revenue (Dollars in Thousands)			
		Revenue through 12/31/2022	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	Percent of <u>Budget</u>
Assessed Tuition	51,585.0	27,302.8	52.9%
Interest	80.0	76.2	95.3%
Other	<u>1,190.0</u>	<u>631.6</u>	53.1%
Total	\$ 52,855.0	\$ 28,010.6	53.0%

We continue to receive FY23 funds on a regular schedule from the comptroller. The majority of budgeted expenditures for the fiscal year are for personnel services (faculty and staff salaries), contractual and financial aid obligations.

Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriated Funds Expenditures (Dollars in Thousands)			
		Expenditures through 12/31/2022	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	Percent of <u>Budget</u>
Personnel Services	\$ 77,500.0	\$ 32,770.4	42.3%
CMS Health Insurance	1,944.8	1,944.8	100.0%
FICA/Medicare	1,600.0	464.3	29.0%
Commodities	900.0	267.4	29.7%
Operation of Automotive Equipment	175.0	70.9	40.5%
Travel	250.0	79.3	31.7%
Contractual Services	12,350.0	6,684.1	54.1%
Permanent Improvements	100.0	-	0.0%
Equipment/Library Books	2,247.2	777.0	34.6%
Telecommunications	150.0	41.2	27.5%
Awards/Grants/Matching	20,983.0	10,583.1	50.4%
Interest	-	-	
Transfer to Equipment Reserve	-	-	
Transfer to Deferred Maint. Reserve	-	-	
Total Expenditures	\$118,200.0	\$ 53,682.5	45.4%

Additional Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriated Funds Budget Items

Fiscal Year 2023 estimates for tuition, interest, and other income total \$52.9 million while estimated Income Fund expenditures for Fiscal Year 2023 total \$66.1 million (See Table 1b). This projected income level coupled with an expenditure authority of \$66.1 million, leaves an estimated deficit at the end of Fiscal Year 2023 of (\$13.2 million). Personnel attrition and other cost saving measures such as partial budget loads and essential spending are being utilized in an effort to reduce expenditures. Federal COVID funds are no longer expected to be received.

Income Fund (Dollars in Thousands)			
	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Excess(Deficit)</u>
FY 2014	73,329.0	73,168.4	160.6
FY 2015	75,673.5	74,870.2	803.3
FY 2016	74,640.7	105,207.8	(30,567.1)
FY 2017	69,739.1	52,875.8	16,863.3
FY2018	63,771.5	67,215.0	(3,443.5)
FY2019	56,607.5	62,642.8	(6,035.3)
FY2020	50,387.7	48,112.8	2,274.9
FY2021	53,367.9	52,991.6	376.3
FY2022	53,836.5	57,887.8	(4,051.3)
Budgeted			
FY2023	52,855.0	66,132.6	(13,277.6)

Auxiliary Facilities System

Fiscal Year 2023 Revenue through December 31, 2022

As of the end of December, Western Illinois University has assessed \$11.6 million in housing and dining and \$2.7 million in student fees. Revenue received through December 31, 2022, is 58.0 percent of Fiscal Year 2023 estimates.

Fiscal Year 2023 Auxiliary Facilities System Revenue (Dollars in Thousands)			
		Revenue through 12/31/22	Percent of
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Assessed Housing and Dining	\$ 20,295.0	\$ 11,649.8	57.4%
Sales	3,022.7	1,911.2	63.2%
Assessed Student Fees	4,775.7	2,687.3	56.3%
Other	<u>2,231.2</u>	<u>1,347.5</u>	60.4%
Total	\$ 30,324.6	\$ 17,595.8	58.0%

Fiscal Year 2023 Expenditures through December 31, 2022

As a result of decreased revenue in recent years, budgets for expenditures have been consistently decreased; thus, expenditures are down from previous fiscal years. Expenditures for the Auxiliary Facilities System are also limited to essential operational needs for Fiscal Year 2023.

Fiscal Year 2023 Auxiliary Facilities System Expenditures (Dollars in Thousands)			
	<u>Budget</u>	Expenditures through 12/31/22	
		<u>Expenditures</u>	Percent of <u>Budget</u>
Personnel Services	\$ 9,500.0	\$ 4,215.4	44.4%
Unemp/FICA/Medicare/Retirement	120.0	49.8	41.5%
Commodities	1,000.0	124.0	12.4%
Operation of Automotive Equipment	70.0	28.9	41.3%
Travel	33.0	0.6	1.8%
Contractual Services	15,350.0	6,963.5	45.4%
Permanent Improvements	275.0	-	0.0%
Equipment/Library Books	250.0	20.7	8.3%
Telecommunications	2.0	0.2	10.0%
Awards/Grants/Matching	1,300.0	532.9	41.0%
Other (Cost of sales, principal & interest payments on outstanding bonds, transfers to reserves, etc)	9,800.0	4,872.2	49.7%
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 37,700.0</u>	<u>\$ 16,808.2</u>	44.6%

Fiscal Year 2023 Cash Flow through December 31, 2022

At the end of the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2023, Western Illinois University has a cash balance of \$(1.3) million in the income fund and \$22.0 million in the Auxiliary Facilities System restricted funds. Income fund inflows are \$28.3 million and outflows are \$32.9 million resulting in a net decrease in cash of \$4.6 million. Auxiliary Facilities System restricted fund inflows are \$4.2 million and outflows are \$8.4 million resulting in a net decrease in cash of \$4.1 million.

Budget and Financial Data through December 31, 2022

Cash Flow

	<u>Income Fund</u>	<u>AFS (Restricted)</u>
Cash balance October 1, 2022	\$ 3,302,107	\$ 26,084,581
Cash Inflows		
Tuition, Fee, & Other unrestricted receipts	8,889,192	4,250,242
State appropriations	19,428,706	-
Total Cash Inflows	<u>28,317,898</u>	<u>4,250,242</u>
Cash Outflows		
Payroll	(19,695,531)	(2,410,885)
Goods, Services, & Other cash outflows	(13,250,542)	(5,942,510)
Total Cash Outflows	<u>(32,946,073)</u>	<u>(8,353,395)</u>
Net Increase (decrease) in cash	<u>(4,628,175)</u>	<u>(4,103,153)</u>
Cash balance December 31, 2022	<u>\$ (1,326,068)</u>	<u>\$ 21,981,428</u>

Appendix A
State of Illinois Definitions for Reporting Institutional Revenues by Source of Funds
And Institutional Expenditures by Estimated Objects of Expenditure

Sources of Funds

State Appropriated Funds are the general revenue fund appropriations from the State of Illinois.

University Income Fund represents tuition revenue.

Auxiliary Facilities System represents revenue from housing and dining and the University's bond revenue fee that supports University Housing and Dining Services, University Union, and Campus Recreation.

Estimated Objects of Expenditures

Personnel Services are payments of wages and salaries.

Contractual Services represent payment for services from vendors. The largest contractual expense for Western Illinois University is utilities.

Travel reimbursements to employees or vendors for in-state and out-of-state travel include transportation, mileage, lodging, and meals.

Commodities support purchase of consumable materials (e.g., office supplies).

Equipment and Library Materials support purchases over \$100 for tangible property (e.g., office furniture, equipment, and library books and periodicals).

Awards and Grants primarily support student financial aid.

Telecommunication Services represent all telephone and communication services (e.g., long distance, fax machine and local telephone charges).

Operation of Automotive Equipment includes the operation, maintenance, and repair of automotive equipment.

Permanent Improvements are used for the remodeling and renovation of existing structures.

CMS Health Insurance and Medicare are shared, state-mandated expenditures that reduce the institution's discretionary spending authority.

Table 1
Budget and Financial Data through December 31
Appropriated
Educational Assistance and Income Fund Combined

Appropriated Funds	FY23 Budget	Revenue through December 31	
		FY23	FY22
Revenue			
State Appropriations	\$ 52,067,400	\$ 35,165,064	\$ 33,522,152
Assessed Tuition	51,585,000	27,302,802	26,164,200
Interest	80,000	76,162	5,643
Other	1,190,000	631,642	1,282,300
Total Revenue	\$ 104,922,400	\$ 63,175,670	\$ 60,974,295
		Expenditures through December 31	
Expenditures			
Personnel Services	\$ 77,500,000	\$ 32,770,441	\$ 31,133,306
CMS Health Insurance	1,944,800	1,944,800	1,944,800
FICA/Medicare	1,600,000	464,306	471,355
Commodities	900,000	267,368	281,900
Operation of Automotive Equipment	175,000	70,892	66,444
Travel	250,000	79,332	31,811
Contractual Services	12,350,000	6,684,135	6,402,418
Permanent Improvements	100,000	-	5,699
Equipment/Library Books	2,247,200	777,018	823,181
Telecommunications	150,000	41,179	27,305
Awards/Grants/Matching	20,983,000	10,583,062	8,065,282
Total Expenditures	\$ 118,200,000	\$ 53,682,534	\$ 49,253,501

Table 1a
Budget and Financial Data through December 31
Educational Assistance Fund

Appropriated Funds	FY23 Budget	Revenue through December 31	
		FY23	FY22
Educational Assistance Fund			
Revenue			
State Appropriations	\$ 52,067,400	\$ 35,165,064	\$ 33,522,152
Total Revenue	\$ 52,067,400	\$ 35,165,064	\$ 33,522,152
Expenditures through December 31			
Expenditures	FY23 Budget	FY23	FY22
Personnel Services	\$ 49,322,600	\$ 32,780,297	\$ 31,145,343
CMS Health Insurance	1,944,800	1,944,800	1,944,800
FICA/Medicare	800,000	439,967	432,009
Commodities	-	-	-
Operation of Automotive Equipment	-	-	-
Travel	-	-	-
Contractual Services	-	-	-
Permanent Improvements	-	-	-
Equipment/Library Books	-	-	-
Telecommunications	-	-	-
Awards/Grants/Matching	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 52,067,400	\$ 35,165,064	\$ 33,522,152

Table 1b
Budget and Financial Data through December 31
Income Fund

Appropriated Funds Income Fund Revenue	FY23 Budget	Revenue through December 31	
		FY23	FY22
Assessed Tuition	\$ 51,585,000	\$ 27,302,802	\$ 26,164,200
Interest	80,000	76,162	5,643
Other	1,190,000	631,642	1,282,300
Total Revenue	\$ 52,855,000	\$ 28,010,606	\$ 27,452,143
Expenditures			
Expenditures	FY23 Budget	Expenditures through December 31	
		FY23	FY22
Personnel Services	\$ 28,177,400	\$ (9,856)	\$ (12,037)
CMS Health Insurance	-	-	-
Unemp/FICA/Medicare/Retirement	800,000	24,339	39,346
Commodities	900,000	267,368	281,900
Operation of Automotive Equipment	175,000	70,892	66,444
Travel	250,000	79,332	31,811
Contractual Services	12,350,000	6,684,135	6,402,418
Permanent Improvements	100,000	-	5,699
Equipment/Library Books	2,247,200	777,018	823,181
Telecommunications	150,000	41,179	27,305
Awards/Grants/Matching	20,983,000	10,583,062	8,065,282
Total Expenditures	\$ 66,132,600	\$ 18,517,470	\$ 15,731,349

Table 2
Budget and Financial Data through December 31
Auxiliary Facilities System

	FY23 Budget	Revenue through December 31	
		FY23	FY22
Revenue Bond			
Auxiliary Facilities System			
Assessed Room & Board	\$ 20,444,974	\$ 11,649,841	\$ 10,596,764
Sales	2,872,750	1,911,205	1,723,895
Assessed Student Fees	4,775,691	2,687,290	2,378,105
Other	<u>2,231,212</u>	<u>1,347,507</u>	<u>4,074,541</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 30,324,627</u>	<u>\$ 17,595,843</u>	<u>\$ 18,773,305</u>
	FY23 Budget	Expenditures through December 31	
		FY23	FY22
Expenditures			
Personnel Services	\$ 9,500,000	\$ 4,215,355	\$ 3,977,394
Unemp/FICA/Medicare/Retirement	120,000	49,811	48,328
Commodities	1,000,000	123,984	113,118
Operation of Automotive Equipment	70,000	28,909	24,803
Travel	33,000	660	974
Contractual Services	15,350,000	6,963,520	6,211,997
Permanent Improvements	275,000	-	179,475
Equipment	250,000	20,699	43,141
Telecommunications	2,000	271	594
Awards/Grants/Matching	1,300,000	532,834	515,819
Other (cost of sales, principal & interest payments on Outstanding Bonds, transfers to reserves, etc)	<u>9,800,000</u>	<u>4,872,190</u>	<u>5,114,130</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 37,700,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,808,233</u>	<u>\$ 16,229,773</u>

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/2 -- Purchases of \$100,000 -- \$499,999.99 or Exempt

Purchases of \$100,000 - \$249,999

Vendor	Type of Purchase	Annual Amount (unless otherwise noted)	Number of Bids
Cordogan Clark and Associates, Inc; Aurora, IL	Continuous order for architectural/ engineering services for various projects as needed (year 1 with 3 optional one-year renewals)	\$130,000.00	QBS 12 responses
PACE Systems Inc; Naperville, IL	Studio equipment for WIUM	\$184,029.74	IPHEC (100% BEP)

Purchases of \$250,000 - \$499,999 Receiving Presidential Approval

Vendor	Type of Purchase	Annual Amount (unless otherwise noted)	Number of Bids
Covercress Inc; St Louis, MO	FY23 Oilseed Pennycress Project subcontract awardee (original BOT approval 10/4/19)	\$266,000.00	Exempt (Grant)
Illinois State University; Normal, IL	FY23 Oilseed Pennycress Project subcontract awardee (original BOT approval 10/4/19)	\$371,223.73	Exempt (Grant)

Purchases \$500,000 and above
Exempt from BOT Approval

Vendor	Type of Purchase	Annual Amount (unless otherwise noted)	Number of Bids
NA			

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/3 -- Annual Debt Compliance & Management Report

Pursuant to its responsibilities as set forth in the Debt Compliance and Management Policy (the “*Policy*”) adopted by Western Illinois University (“*WIU*”), on June 12, 2015, the Compliance Committee has conducted the annual review required by the Policy and has prepared this report to determine whether Debt (as defined in the Policy) complies with covenants and other ongoing requirements applicable to each issue of Debt. The following sets forth a summary demonstrating WIU’s compliance with such covenants and requirements.

RECORDS

The Compliance Committee has all of the records required under the Policy.

TAX COMPLIANCE

(a) *Arbitrage Rebate Liability.* At this time, the Board does not have any rebate liability to the U.S. Treasury.

(b) *Contract Review.* The Compliance Committee has reviewed copies of all contracts and agreements of the Board, including any leases, with respect to the use of any property owned by WIU and acquired, constructed or otherwise financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Debt and other records. At this time, each issue of the Debt complies with the Federal tax requirements applicable to such issue, including restrictions on private business use and private loans.

(c) *IRS Examinations or Inquiries.* The Internal Revenue Service (the “*IRS*”) has not commenced an examination of any issue of the Debt. The IRS has not requested a response to a compliance check, questionnaire or other inquiry.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

(a) The Compliance Committee has reviewed the agreements of the Board with respect to each issue of Debt to determine whether the Annual Financial Information and Audited Financial Statements were filed to the MSRB website in a timely manner. All such information was filed within the times required by all Undertakings.

- a. Draft FY22 Financial Statements have been submitted within the time frame prescribed by all undertakings and will be replaced with Audited Financial Statements, when available.
- (b) The University's credit rating from S&P Global Ratings was upgraded to "BB+" in May 2022. A reportable event notice announcing the rating change was filed to the MSRB website within the prescribed time frame. The Compliance Committee has conducted a review and confirmed that there were no other Reportable Event Disclosures made this year.

OTHER COVENANTS AND REQUIREMENTS

All issues of Debt are in compliance with all other covenants and other ongoing requirements applicable to each such issue under the related Debt documents. Based upon the foregoing, the Compliance Committee believes that no further action is necessary at this time.

RECOMMENDATIONS RE: EFFECTIVENESS OF THE POLICY; OTHER MATTERS

The Compliance Committee has consulted with other WIU staff, counsel, the Municipal Advisor and other professionals in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the Policy and compliance. The Compliance Committee has no recommendations for change in the Policy.

Members of the Compliance Committee:

Shannon Sutton: Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration
Ketra Roselieb: Executive Director of Financial Affairs
Jessica Dunn: Assistant Comptroller, Business Services
Deanna Eden: Assistant Comptroller, Business Services
James McNulty: Municipal Advisor, Blue Rose Capital Advisors

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/4 -- Report on Externally Sponsored Grants and Contracts for the 2nd Quarter

Executive Summary:

Report on externally-sponsored grants and contracts and income-producing contracts received by the University provided to the Board of Trustees on a quarterly basis.

	<u>Quarter to Date</u>		
Three Months Ended December 31	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Awards > \$50,000	\$4,918,241 (11)	\$5,805,878 (14)	\$7,240,835 (26)
Total Awards, (regardless of value)	\$5,075,013 (22)	\$5,971,980 (27)	\$7,456,134 (45)

	<u>Fiscal Year to Date</u>		
Six Months Ended December 31	<u>FY23</u>	<u>FY22</u>	<u>FY21</u>
Awards > \$50,000	\$10,464,310 (26)	\$32,870,226 (26)	\$13,665,917 (37)
Total Awards, (regardless of value)	\$10,848,238 (49)	\$33,173,404 (47)	\$14,049,486 (64)

Summary of Externally Sponsored Grants and Contracts

<u>Quarterly Totals</u>		<u>Annual Totals</u>	
<u>Quarters</u>			
1st	\$5,773,225 (27)	FY22	\$38,562,123 (114)
2 nd	\$5,075,013 (22)	FY21	\$31,169,325 (121)
3 rd		FY20	\$28,516,125 (117)
4 th		FY19	\$16,321,791 (124)
Total	\$10,848,238 (49)	FY18	\$11,451,766 (133)

Selected Sponsored Projects Funded by External Agencies in the 2nd Quarter FY2023

Grants and Contracts

Amount of Grant or Contract: \$50,000
Grantor/Contractor: Corporation for National and Community Service
Date Received: October 21, 2022
Term: July 17, 2022 through July 15, 2023
Director/Fiscal Agent: Gisele Hamm
Purpose: Public Service. The purpose of this project is to support VISTAS and VISTA leaders who work in rural communities across the state of Illinois on various poverty alleviation-focused projects.

Amount of Grant or Contract: \$58,029
Grantor/Contractor: Corporation for Public Broadcasting
Date Received: December 9, 2022
Term: October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2024
Director/Fiscal Agent: Dawn Schmitt
Purpose: Public Service. The purpose of this project is to provide operating funds for WQPT.

Amount of Grant or Contract: \$84,242
Grantor/Contractor: IL Nutrient Research and Education Council
Date Received: December 2, 2022
Term: October 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023
Director/Fiscal Agent: Mark Bernards
Purpose: Research. The purpose of this project is to document the impacts of increasing the duration of living vegetative cover and livestock grazing to corn-soybean crops.

Amount of Grant or Contract: \$158,136
Grantor/Contractor: Corporation for Public Broadcasting
Date Received: December 20, 2022
Term: October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2024
Director/Fiscal Agent: Heather Norman
Purpose: Public Service. The purpose of this project is to provide operating funds for WIUM-FM.

Amount of Grant or Contract: \$163,595
Grantor/Contractor: U. S. Department of Agriculture
Date Received: October 11, 2022
Term: December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023
Director/Fiscal Agent: Sean Park

Purpose:	Public Service. The purpose of this project is to assist with the development of the IIRA's Rural Fresh Market Program.
Amount of Grant or Contract:	\$185,198
Grantor/Contractor:	Illinois Community College Board
Date Received:	October 4, 2022
Term:	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
Director/Fiscal Agent:	Paul Sweet
Purpose:	Public Service. This project will lead to the development and dissemination of meaningful and evidence-based resources in distance or blended learning.
Amount of Grant or Contract:	\$202,876
Grantor/Contractor:	Illinois Community College Board
Date Received:	November 15, 2022
Term:	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
Director/Fiscal Agent:	Joseph Ryner
Purpose:	Public Service. The purpose of this project is to have CAIT provide web services including search and data entry interface; data exchange with NIC; system updates and revisions; hosting; and help desk support.
Amount of Grant or Contract:	\$442,000
Grantor/Contractor:	Illinois Community College Board
Date Received:	November 15, 2022
Term:	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
Director/Fiscal Agent:	Dawn Hughes
Purpose:	Public Service. The purpose of this project is to support the Central Illinois Adult Education Service Center for FY23.
Amount of Grant or Contract:	\$699,165
Grantor/Contractor:	Corporation for Public Broadcasting
Date Received:	December 9, 2022
Term:	October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2024
Director/Fiscal Agent:	Dawn Schmitt
Purpose:	Public Service. The purpose of this project is to provide operating funds for WQPT.

Amount of Grant or Contract: \$750,000
 Grantor/Contractor: National Science Foundation
 Date Received: December 8, 2022
 Term: January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2028
 Director/Fiscal Agent: Blair McDonald
 Purpose: Student Support. The purpose of this project is to provide S-STEM scholarships for all concentrations of the engineering program at WIU.

Amount of Grant or Contract: \$2,125,000
 Grantor/Contractor: University of Northern Texas
 Date Received: October 18, 2022
 Term: July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023
 Director/Fiscal Agent: Eric Faierson
 Purpose: Research. The purpose of this project is to develop advanced material systems relevant to Army applications for optimal performance in dynamic loading environments.

Additional Information

Number of First or Second time Proposals and Awards

2nd Quarter:	<u>1st Proposal</u>	<u>2nd Proposal</u>	<u>1st Award</u>	<u>2nd Award</u>
	0	1	0	0
Fiscal Year to Date:	<u>1st Proposal</u>	<u>2nd Proposal</u>	<u>1st Award</u>	<u>2nd Award</u>
	3	2	1	1

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Report No. 23.3/5 -- Academic Affairs Report

2023 Distinguished University Professor

The Western Illinois University 2023 Distinguished University Professor Dr. Peter Cole will present "The Chicago Race Riot of 1919 Commemoration Project" live in the COFAC Recital Hall and on WIU's YouTube channel at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 22.

Recipients of the 2022 Provost's Awards for Excellence and the academic advisor of the year were recognized at a recent reception sponsored by the Provost's office. The award winners were:

Provost's Award for Academic Excellence in Enhanced Learning with Technology: Ian Shelly, Department of Art and Design

Provost's Award for Academic Excellence in University/Community Service: Jeremy Robinett, Department of Recreation, Park & Tourism Administration

Provost's Award for Academic Excellence in Teaching: Jena Gardner, School of Music

Provost's Award for Academic Excellence in Scholarly/Creative/Performing/Professional Activities: Susan Stewart School of Management & Marketing

Provost's Award for Academic Excellence in Multicultural Teaching: Peter Cole, Department of History.

Outstanding Academic Advisor of the Year, Niall Hartnett, College of Arts & Sciences

College of Arts and Sciences

THE COLLEGE:

The College of Arts and Sciences held their annual Winter Reception on December 2nd in the Lamoine Room. Awards presented included the College Civil Service Award (Aparna Kapale), College Scholar Recipient (Francine Lawler, Psychology), and WIU Lincoln Laureate Recipient (Thalia Mercado, Political Science).

DEPARTMENTS:

History:

- Honors Class at WIU Introduces Video Game Technology to the History Classroom. A new

history course, offered through Western Illinois University's Centennial Honors College, is getting students involved in the University's new Digital Recreation Center, and incorporating building and playing historically-based video games into classroom lessons. WIU Department of History Chair Tim Roberts designed and teaches the class, "Gaming the Past: Using Video Games to Teach and Make History." The program development was helped by the summer stipend program through the WIU Foundation and the Office of Sponsored Projects.

IES:

- Professor Viadero serves as a member of the Quad Cities Clean River Council, a group supported by the Walton Family Foundation to develop a clean water action plan for the Mississippi River with a focus on social and environmental justice issues and engagement. This work is coordinated by the Quad Cities Community Foundation.

Mathematics and Philosophy:

- Dr. Victoria Baramidze organized math tutoring at Edison Elementary; we begin February 6. This is a collaboration between our math and middle school education majors, and Edison School.

Physics:

- Mrs. Aparna Kapale (our laboratory Manager) and Dr. Kishor T. Kapale are managing and coaching two robotics teams for seventeen (17) 4 through 8 grade students. They are receiving assistance from Computer Science (CS) major Joy A. Taylor, CS faculty Dr. George Mangalaraj, and Edison School Science Teacher Mrs. Carrie Dunseth. The teams are financially supported by 4-H organization, and they use the facilities of the Department of Physics at WIU. The teams participated in the competitions in East Moline and Peoria venues and did an excellent job. The Macomb teams are faring better every year in terms of their skill building and the competition scores they receive. The teams have begun their work to prepare for the state-level 4-H competitions to be held in April 2023.

Political Science:

- Dr. Ghashia Kiyani took a team of students to the Midwest Model United Nations in which students select a country to represent in St. Louis February 22-25. The simulation is designed to help students gain a practical understanding of international issues from a perspective outside of the classroom, broadening their awareness of international relations.

Sociology and Anthropology

- Dr. Heather McIlvaine-Newsad has been serving as reviewer for the National Academy of Sciences Engineering, and Medicine. Gulf Health and Resilience Gulf Research Program and as lead reviewer on two of the twelve submitted proposals, several of which have budgets well over \$1.5 million over a three-year time frame.

DEPARTMENTS

Biology:

- Professor Mari Aanenson helped Madelynn Wyatt from Keokuk High School with a national science fair project earlier this month.

Chemistry:

- The Chem Ambassadors contacted 25 Accepted Freshmen by email to tell them about our department and our student organizations.
- Two Chemistry graduate students had abstracts accepted for presentation at the national ACS meeting in Indianapolis in April.
- Chemistry held a rally for freshman and sophomore Chemistry and Forensic Chemistry majors on Feb. 8th. This included a research poster session, scavenger hunt, pizza party and games and recruiting events by student organizations. Several freshmen joined research groups and student clubs., each working with a student mentor .
- In addition, 4 students and family members, outside of Discover Western, visited the department for tours.
- Three high school science teachers have scheduled dates for their classes to visit Chemistry to perform hands-on lab activities this semester. This is response to flyers sent out about the program.

EAGIS:

- Leslie Melim-Melim, L.A., Mure-Ravaud, S.R., Hegna, T.A., Bellott, B.J., and Lerosey-Aubril, R, 2023, Silicification of trilobites and biofilm from the Cambrian Weeks Formation, Utah: Evidence of microbial mediation of silicification, *Geology*, v. 51, p. 80-84, <https://doi.org/10.1130/G50496.1>
- Jongnam Choi-Conference: 2022 International Teacher Education Forum in Cheongju
Title: Analysis of Climate Change Education in the Illinois Elementary Education
Date: January 12
Venue: Cheongju, South Korea
- Redina Finch was reappointed as the Editor in Chief for the National Association of Geoscience Teachers magazine *In the Trenches* for a period of 3 years, starting in 2023
- Sociology, EAGIS and Political Science Departments are working on a joint program to collaborate with teachers within 50 miles radius in west central Illinois.
- Yongxin Deng reviewed a manuscript for *Transactions in GIS*: "Exploring the relationships between perceived neighborhood boundaries and street network orientation".
- Samuel Thompson and Jongnam Choi attending ICTM Math Competition and Recruitment in Morgan Hall, February 25, 2023 for recruitment.
- Have been conducting regular meetings with all majors for retention purposes.

English:

- Deanna Palm is student teaching in Spain and writing a blog about her experiences there.
- Late Start Eng 180 is live—13 students who were late in registering are successfully enrolled in the pilot.
- Two pilot sections of Eng 180 centered on an anti-racist curriculum are underway

- Student Sam Misener had her story "A Party with No Music" published by Cosmic Double.
- High School Writing Festival for regional high schools is back with 80 students attending from surrounding schools.

FLL:

- Edmund Asare was commissioned by Oral Tradition journal in Harvard, MA, in December 2022, to review a scholarly article in his area of expertise.
- Edmund Asare attended/participated in a webinar on Recruitment initiatives in Jan 2023: The use of recruiting agents. The event was sponsored by Higher Ed Journal.
- Munia Cabal-Jiminez completed a 45 hours online course (obtention of certificate) at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México. Instituto de Investigaciones Filológicas y Departamento de Educación Continua y a Distancia (Long Distance School Department). Course: Paleografía y Diplomática en Documentos Novohispanos. August 17th- November 30th.
- Thirteen scholarships awarded for WISE and WIFI study abroad.

History:

- Honors Class at WIU Introduces Video Game Technology to the History Classroom. A new history course, offered through Western Illinois University's Centennial Honors College, is getting students involved in the University's new Digital Recreation Center, and incorporating building and playing historically-based video games into classroom lessons. WIU Department of History Chair Tim Roberts designed and teaches the class, "Gaming the Past: Using Video Games to Teach and Make History." The program development was helped by the summer stipend program through the WIU Foundation and the Office of Sponsored Projects.
- Roberts is also working with teachers of Advanced Placement (AP) U.S. History, showing them how to use the Twine program in the classroom. Twine is a digital platform whose usage allows students to practice the basics of HTML coding while creating interactive, non-linear narratives (like making electronic, choose-your-own-adventure type stories). History students write narrative passages on a virtual board, in which they integrate historical content and narrative decision-making options. Periodically they test the game mechanics for coding functionality and narrative feasibility. When completed, students upload their Twine games to a shared Google folder for peer review and evaluation on the basis of historical thinking skills the game demonstrates.
- Lee Brice - book review of Erik Jensen, *The Greco-Persian Wars: A Short History with Documents* (Hackett 2021), in *The History Teacher* vol. 55.3 2022: 566-67.
- Lee Brice - conference presentation, "Archaic Rock Crystal Magnification Lenses from Ialysos, Rhodes," presented with Georgia Tsouvala (Illinois State University, Dept. of History) at the Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January 8, 2023.

- Peter Cole, co-authored with Ricky Newcomb, "Can't Play in Peoria: Paul Robeson's Canceled Concert, Civil Rights Unionism, and the Second Red Scare," *Journal of African American History* vol. 107.4 2022, DOI <https://doi.org/10.1086/721748>
- The department finalized an online BA major feasibility study, concluding that an online BA major is feasible, and sent the study to the Provost, seeking approval to launch the online BA program in fall 2023.
- Offers of history scholarships have been made to high-achieving fall 2023 prospective majors as a recruitment tool.
- The chair emailed students who dropped the history major between fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters, to ask for feedback about their decision and new status.
- The department polled history majors enrolled in our senior capstone course for feedback about the program. Feedback indicating areas for improvement identified two particular deficiencies: 1) inadequate professional development opportunities; 2) inadequate training in public speaking and oral presentations. The chair shared this feedback with the department, with a request that faculty build these activities into their courses, and a request that the two student history clubs create professional development events.
- Lee Brice, paper "Archaic Glass Lenses from Ialysos, Rhodes," for annual conference of the Archaeological Institute of America, New Orleans, LA, January 8
- Lee Brice, paper "Social Upheaval in the Army of Alexander the Great," for the Department of Classics at Washington University, St. Louis, MO, February 22
- Peter Cole, paper "Dockers and Solidarity Activism: From the Durban Strikes to Choke Points in Today's Global Economy," for conference "1973 Durban Strikes - Celebrating 50 Years," Durban, South Africa, January 27
- Peter Cole, topic of news story, "1919 race riots memorial project will honor victims where they died — in streets all over city," *Chicago Sun-Times*, February 20
- Tim Roberts, interview with Cuba High School student Jayson Stead, for Cuba High School The Forottonia Project podcast program, "How Fulton County Was Divided During the Civil War," January 14
- Tim Roberts, new course launch, GH 301, "Using Video Games to Teach History," for the Centennial Honors College, January 17
- Tim Roberts, press release for WIU University Relations, "Honors Class at WIU Introduces Video Game Technology to the History Classroom," January 27
- Tim Roberts, paper "How John Hay's early experience on the Illinois frontier shaped his career as an American statesmen," for conference "Untold Nauvoo Stories," Nauvoo, IL, February 3
- Tim Roberts, interview about teaching using digital history, for WIU News3 "Live at Four" program, aired February 16
- Tim Roberts, organizer of series of prayer vigils for justice to overcome violence, involving seven campus ministry groups, churches and interfaith communities in Macomb, and the Macomb police, University Union, February 8-10 and 14-17
- Edward Woell, new course launch, HIST 488G, "The Atlantic Slave Trade," January 17
- Edward Woell, two online commentaries for Tri-States Public Radio station about his new book, *Confiscating the Common Good: Small Towns and Religious Politics in the French Revolution* (Manchester U. Press, 2022), February 15 and 22

- Emmanuel Ennin, graduate student, accepted to Princeton University for doctoral work (PhD) in history, February 15
- Peter Kpelinbe, graduate student, lecture, "African people's perceptions of colonialism," for Tim Roberts' GH 301 class, February 8
- Winter Unverzagt, freshman history major, attended the Illinois State of the State address, met with Governor J. B. Pritzker, State Comptroller Susana Mendoza, and Senate President Don Harmon, February 15
- Winter Unverzagt, freshman history major, delegate to the Midwest Model United Nations meeting, St. Louis, MO, February 22-25
- Tim Roberts, testimony for the Illinois House of Representatives Higher Education Appropriations Committee, "How and Why We Teach American History at WIU," February 16
- Tim Roberts, participation in WIU Department of Math/Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics high school math competition event, February 25
- Department hosted an orientation meeting for new history majors, February 7

IES / ES PhD:

- A peer-reviewed paper was accepted for publication in January 2023. The paper is co-authored by a Ph.D. Candidate, WIU's first Ph.D. graduate, Prof. Viadero, and a collaborator from Maine. The full citation is: Hunt, J., Rehbein, M., Viadero, R. and C. Miller. "Distribution of Invasive Aedes Mosquitoes in Western Illinois, 2014-2018: First Records for Aedes japonicus and Aedes albopictus," Journal of the American Mosquito Control Association, accepted January 2023 (manuscript number 22-7105).
- Prof. Viadero was invited to join the Advisory Board for the Quad Cities Clean River Advisory Council - a collaborative effort by the QC Community Foundation and the Walton Family Foundation to increase the engagement of all citizens with the Mississippi River.
- Prof. Viadero was nominated to join the Ecological Society of America's Board of Professional Certification.
- A peer-reviewed manuscript coauthored by a Ph.D. candidate, the first graduate of the Environmental Science Ph.D. program, and Prof. Viadero will appear online in the Journal of the American Mosquito Control Association in March 2023. A full reference will be available as soon as it is typeset.
- Prof. Viadero serves as a member of the Quad Cities Clean River Council, a group supported by the Walton Family Foundation to develop a clean water action plan for the Mississippi River with a focus on social and environmental justice issues and engagement. This work is coordinated by the Quad Cities Community Foundation.
- Work by Prof. Viadero on the proposed diversion of water from the Mississippi River to supplement the Colorado River basin was featured in a news article that was picked up directly by the Associate Press.

- Prof. Viadero was interviewed by Colorado Public Radio about the proposed diversion of Mississippi River water to the Colorado River Basin. The interview will be part of a multi-newsroom podcast that will be published in March 2023.

Race, Religion, Gender, & Multidisciplinary Studies:

- Betsy Perabo, paper for Society of Christian Ethics national conference, University Ethics Working Group (delivered in absentia on January 7, 2023): "Acknowledging the Failure of 'Opportunity': A Radical Plan to Increase Graduation Rates at a Regional Public University,"
- A publication: Amy Carr, "First Thoughts on the End of Roe v. Wade: State Rules, Gender Norms, and the Fragile (or Conditional) Personhood of Women," *Journal of Lutheran Ethics*, Vol. 23, Issue 1 (February/March 2023), <https://learn.elca.org/jle/first-thoughts-on-the-end-of-roe-v-wade-state-rules-gender-norms-and-the-fragile-or-conditional-personhood-of-women/>
- Dr. Amy Carr and Dr. Betsy Perabo participated in the 2023 Writing Festival on February 6, holding workshops for two groups of high school students in attendance. Dr. Perabo's workshop was "Writing in the Margins of Scripture: A Religious Studies Sampler." Dr. Carr's workshop was "Supporting Your Interpretations: How to Write an Argument Essay."
- Religious Studies minors and other students interested in the field recently formed RELICS, the Religious and Cultural Scholars Club, and are now an officially-recognized student organization. Dr. Perabo is the advisor and MLAS student Anna Lucken is the group's president. The group meets regularly on Zoom, since some members are distance learners, and is working to coordinate a Zoom lecture by a religious studies scholar in late March. On February 9, Dr. Perabo presented to the group on the topic: "Cultured Despisers and True Believers: How to get them into religious studies classes and what to do once they're there."
- The Mary Olive Woods Trust awarded 9 scholarships totaling \$7,250.00.

Mathematics & Philosophy:

- Ekanayake, D.B., LaFountain, D.J. & Petracovici, B. Finite convergence into a convex polytope via facet reflections. *Appl Math* (2022). <https://doi.org/10.21136/AM.2022.0134-22>
- "A Fresh Look at Cauchy's Convergence Criterion: Some Variations and Generalizations", David Benko, Dan Coroian, Lia Petracovici, *Carpathian J. Math.* Vol. 37, No. 1, 2021.
- Baramidze reviewed a paper for the *Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications*
- Dimitrov gave a talk: "Countable Nonstandard Models" on Dec 1, 2022 in the WIU's Department of Mathematics and Philosophy colloquium.
- Baramidze invited accepted math majors to the weekly Chair's virtual office hours.
- Baramidze organized math tutoring at Edison Elementary; we begin February 6th. This is a collaboration between our math and middle school education majors, and Edison school.

- Dr. Susie Brooks worked with Caleb Engebrecht and Noah Seys to participate in the Putnam exam (organized by Mathematical Association of America). With both Noah and Caleb's score, WIU placed 173 out of 456 institutions.
- Victoria Baramidze delivered an invited scholarly presentation in a series of talks celebrating 75 years of mathematics PhD program at the University of Georgia.
- Accepted math majors are invited to weekly Chair's virtual office hours.

Nursing:

- Nursing students volunteered at Beu Health Center on their International Student Health Day.
- Eathington, P., (2023, April). Teaching social determinants of health at rural food banks. Poster Presentation at 2023 National Nurse Educator Summit, San Antonio TX
- Lisa Downs attended the Mental Health First Aid training hosted by Bridgeway at WIU on Jan 11, 2023.
- Danielle Knowles received an infant warmer for our nursing program along with other newborn supplies from Carthage Memorial Hospital.

Physics:

- Dr. Saisudha Mallur reviewed two manuscripts submitted the European Journal of Glass Science and Technology Part B.
- Dr. Mark Boley reviewed a manuscript for a prominent journal in solid state physics.
- T. M. Rodríguez, P. Hofner, I. Edelman, E. D. Araya, V. Rosero. 2023, "Searching for Molecular Jets from High-mass Protostars", The Astrophysical Journal Supplement Series, 264:30 (25pp), 2023 February.
(<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2023ApJS..264...30R/abstract>)
- D. V. Lopez, E. D. Araya. 2023, "Masers as Tracers of Angular Momentum in Molecular Outflows", Tecnociencia, University of Panama, Vol 25, N 1, 180-192.
(<https://revistas.up.ac.pa/index.php/tecnociencia/article/view/3443/2944>)
- Dr. Esteban D. Araya received digital badge: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence on Supercomputers, ALCF, Argonne National Laboratory, for completing all required work of the training.
- Dr. Kishor T. Kapale received digital badge: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence on Supercomputers, ALCF, Argonne National Laboratory, for completing all required work of the training.
- Dr. Kishor Kapale was interviewed for his participation in the Artificial Intelligence for Science workshop organized by the Argonne Research Laboratory by their public relations office. The news release is available at:
<https://www.anl.gov/article/argonne-training-program-introduces-ai-for-science-to-a-new-crowd>.

Political Science:

- Gregory Baldi served in December on the Fulbright National Screening Committee as a proposal reviewer for awards to the United Kingdom.
- Graduating seniors McKenna Dunn and Thalia Mercado were inducted into Pi Sigma Alpha, the Political Science Honors Society.
- Political Science major, Winter Unversagt, attended the Governor's state of the state address at the invitation of Scott Clarke, a WIU poli sci alumnus, who also serves on the University alumni board.
- Gregory Baldi moderated a panel on the Nigerian presidential election for the UTV show "Explorations in Political Science." Political Science Professor Gregory Baldi moderated a discussion on the 2023 Nigerian presidential election for the department current affairs program Explorations in Political Science. Joining Dr. Baldi were Political Science M.A. candidates Uruchukwu Onyemaobi, Mubarak Sanusi, and Feyisayo Ogunmade. Also participating in the discussion were Kenechukwu Ezebialu, an M.S. candidate in Geographic Information Sciences and Cartography, and Dr. Randy Glean, Associate Vice President of Global Studies at WIU. You can view the program online at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zVjNLpGr8mc&list=PL6IDv5Uyc-sIBB4wk75k0OnScX1hrQm07&index=2>
- Gregory Baldi and Randy Glean will participate in a Nigerian Election Forum on Thursday February 23, 2023.
- Keith Boeckelman was interviewed by a CNN reporter about his research on state preemptions of local government powers, in relation to legislation in Mississippi to turn local law enforcement powers in Jackson over to the state
- Likhitha (Lucky) Kancherla is the Spring 2023 Department Scholar for Political Science.
- Ghashia Kiyani took a team of students to the Midwest Model United Nations in which students select a country to represent in St. Louis February 22-25. The simulation is designed to help students gain a practical understanding of international issues from a perspective outside of the classroom, broadening their awareness of international relations.
- Gregory Baldi & Victoria Smith will take the Mock Trial team to Chicago the last weekend of February. In this simulation the students will compete against other schools.
- Keith Boeckelman "Western Learning Does Not Stop At the Classroom". Western Illinois University Trustee Cody Cornell and Freshman Political Science Student Winter Unverzagt furthered their education about political science and public service by attending the inauguration of the Governor and the State's Constitutional Officers in Springfield. While in Springfield they had the opportunity to talk to a former candidate for Governor who talked about the importance of studying and also learning beyond the classroom.
- Richard Hardy is creating a mentor program for Political Science students.

Psychology:

- Keefe, K.M., *Moore, S., Hammersely, J., & *Kopatich, R. (in press). The role of binge eating concerns and suicidal thinking for recent sexual assault survivors in treatment. *Journal of College Student Psychotherapy*.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/87568225.2023.2173115>
- Gorsuch Bainter T. E. & Hetzel-Riggin, M. D. (2022). Examining polysubstance use and predictors of use in undergraduate students. *Education*, 143(2), 1-11.
- Cruise, T. K., & *Buckley, A. (2022, December). Educator self-care: Decreasing stress and avoiding burnout. Presentation for PACT Head Start of West Central Illinois. Beardstown, IL.
- Cruise, T. K., & Swerdlik, M. E. (2023, January). Addressing Supervisee Problems in Professional Competency. Presentation at Annual Convention of the Illinois School Psychologists Association, Springfield, IL.
- Leigh Ann Fisler completed the Illinois School Psychology Association (ISPA) Supervisor Credential (requiring 70 hours of supervision, 4 days of training, and two metasupervision meetings).
- Leigh Ann Fisler ran one training in December on Autism 101 for Head Start providers across a 4-county region
- Leigh Ann Fisler ran one training in January on Autism in Early Childhood for the West Central Childcare Connection covering a 9-county region
- Professional Consultations and Testimony -Kim McClure:
- Testimony – Preliminary Hearing, IN Public Defender Marion County (Lucy Frick, Attorney) – State of IN v. Marcus Minor (No. 49D21-2102-MR-004074), Dec 19.
- Content Expert Perceptual and Cognitive Processes of Citizen-Officer Interactions – Consultation with creator and CEO Rob Ruben (RealSim Systems), instructor Mark Maidens, developer Jen Whiting, and director of the Police Training Institute, Michael Schlosser (Jan 3).
- Police Training Institute (Dr. Michael Schlosser, Director) & RealSim Systems (Developer Rob Ruben) – Illinois University, Urbana Champaign, Jan 5
- Dianne Beer-Maxwell, Project Manager, International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST), Timothy Bonidides, IADLEST Researcher, Rob Rubens, Real Systems (Jan 24).
- Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board – Executive Institute (Heather Hotz, Director) meeting with RealSim Systems (Developer Rob Ruben) – Jan 26
- Invited lecture: McClure, K. A. (Dec 2022). *Adventures in Psycho-Legal Research: Understanding People in the Criminal Justice Context*. Bradley University, Peoria, IL, PSI CHI Honor Society Lecturer.
- Specialist in School Psychology graduate program was re-accredited by the National Association of School Psychologists, effective 2023-2030.
- McClure, K. A. (Dec 2022). Forensic Psychology at WIU. Macomb Senior High School, Criminology Club.
- Psychology Club held organizational meetings in December 2022 and January 2023. It has split off from Psi Chi (Psychology's honor society) and will focus on increasing involvement among lower-division students interested in Psychology.

- Tipton-Fisler, L. A., Jennings-Knotts, R. L., Harris, A, & Roberts, B. (2023, February). Working Smarter to Overcome Barriers and Implement the 6 Organizational Principles. Mini- skills presented at the National Association for School Psychologists Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- Zhu, Q., & Tipton-Fisler, L.A.. (2023, February). MTSS Implementation Fidelity in Rural Settings. Practitioner Conversation presented at the National Association for School Psychologists Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- Jennings-Knotts, R. L., Tipton-Fisler, L. A., Harris, A., & Roberts, B. (2023, February). ThePractice Model Resource Exchange for Graduate Educators. Paper presented at the National Association for School Psychologists Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- One General Experimental Psychology graduate student (Jayce Owens-Boone) received the BRIDGE Diversity research award from the American Psychology and Law Society, which provides grant funding for student research.
- Two School Psychology graduate students (Sterling Blonigen and Katie Hernandez) received scholarships from the Illinois Fund for Careers in School Psychology Minority Scholarship Program.
- Attended the Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs (CEMA) recruitment event for undergraduate students attending the National Association of School Psychologists convention from minority backgrounds seeking graduate school programs in school psychology.
- Clinical/ Community Mental Health program interview day for accepted students- February 24th
- Intro Psych course instructors contacted Psychology majors who were struggling academically in their courses; part of an initiative to improve retention of first year Psychology majors.

Sociology and Anthropology:

- Davison Bideshi - Development and Approval for online course Sociology 455G - Corrections
- Lora Wallace - Development and Approval for online course Sociology 531 - Advanced Research Methods
- Craig Tollini - Development and Approval for online course Sociology 530 - Advanced Statistics
- Gordon Chang - Development and Approval for online course Sociology 519 - Contemporary Sociological Theory
- Rob Porter & Heather McIlvaine-Newsad (2022): 'If I get Corona, I get Corona': COVID-19 protocols and beach tourism in Pinellas County, Florida, Leisure/Loisir, DOI: 10.1080/14927713.2022.2157320
- LaDousa, Chaise, Christina P. Davis, and Nishaant Choksi. 2022. "Postcolonial Language Ideologies: Indian Students Reflect on Mother Tongue and English." *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 32(2): 607-628.
- Christina Davis, Anthropology Program Coordinator, met with admissions officers during their weekly meeting to discuss the anthropology program.

- The Student Recruitment and Retention Committee finalized updates to the Sociology BA flatsheet. New printed copies were delivered Feb 1 to the department for distribution at upcoming recruiting events.
- Christina Davis, Anthropology Program Coordinator, has revived the Anthropology Ambassador Program. The three ambassadors wrote notes to students who had been accepted to Western with an interest in Anthropology.
- Dr. Gordon Chang's new book, *Revolution and Witchcraft: The Code of Ideology in Unsettled Times* was released by publisher Palgrave Macmillan.
<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-031-17682-1#affiliations>
- Leah Bozard was selected as the Spring 2023 Department Scholar for Sociology
- Leah Metcalf was selected as the Spring 2023 Department Scholar for Anthropology

College of Business and Technology

\$750,000 National Science Foundation (NSF) Grant Awarded-Drs. Blair McDonald (civil engineering) and Dave Hunter (engineering technology) have been awarded a \$750,000 National Science Foundation grant titled "*Improving Career Readiness for Engineering Students Through a Mentored Living Learning Community*". Funds will be used to support the recruitment and retention of high-quality students supported by the formation of a Living and Learning Community focused around the engineering and technology programs. This grant represents a significant success as National Science Foundation grants are highly competitive.

School of Computer Sciences Earns CAE-CD Designation - Over the course of the past 18 months, the faculty of the School of Computer Sciences have worked towards certification of their cyber security program. Dr. Binto George and his team's efforts resulted in a positive endorsement of the application and the School has earned the CAE-CD designation. The National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity (NCAE-C) program is managed by NSA's National Cryptologic School. Federal partners include the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)/National Initiative on Cybersecurity Education (NICE), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Department of Defense Office of the Chief Information Officer (DoD-CIO), and U.S. Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM).

Launch of new Professional Development Series (ProChat)-This spring, the College of Business and Technology launched a new professional development forum called the ProChat Series. A collaborative effort among the various student organizations housed within the two business schools, the twice weekly workshops are individually sponsored and promoted by different CBT student organizations with the overall objective of enhancing student preparedness for internships and professional careers. Open to all students, the interactive workshops are led by content experts in areas such as networking, professional communication, financial literacy, and civic engagement to strengthen our students' business profile.

Future Business Leaders of America- Western Regional Conference -For over 25 years, the College of Business and Technology has hosted the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) regional conference at the WIU Macomb campus. This January, we welcomed 180 high school students from nine schools within the Western Illinois region. WIU professor, Dr. Honey Zimmerman led an interactive workshop titled "The Art of Networking". Immediately following the workshop, the FBLA students were able to put their newly-learned skills to the test by engaging in networking social with WIU faculty, students, and Admissions staff. Although WIU does officially sponsor the conference, we use this experience to welcome students to campus and promote WIU as a top choice for business education for future business leaders.

Expansion of CEO Dual Credit Opportunities-The College of Business and Technology continues to strengthen its partnership with the Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities (CEO) program. The CEO program is a year-long experience for high school students interested in entrepreneurship. The program partners with area businesses providing students with opportunities to learn critical aspects of starting and running their own businesses. Many WIU faculty and staff members serve as presenters, mentors and board members for the CEO program. Fall 2022 we welcomed the first cohort of McDonough County CEO students to WIU through creation of a dual enrollment credit course (MGT 125). This spring we expanded our offering to two additional CEO programs. Both Brown-Schuyler County CEO and Central Illinois CEO programs have students enrolled in MGT 125 this semester.

National Retail Federation conference-Ms. Susan Creasey, Marketing Faculty, and Ms. Shania Manning, Human Resource Management Major, attended the 2023 National Retail Federation (NRF) Foundation Student Program, January 12-14 in New York City. The NRF Student Program gives students an opportunity to engage in experiential tours, learn from inspiring speakers, attend interactive breakout sessions, and gain invaluable executive mentoring and career recruiting opportunities. Creasey and Manning were among 1,057 students, 124 educators, 105 mentors, 41 speakers and 150 recruiters that attended the NRF Student Program this year. After attending the Student Program and Career Fair, Shania stated, "*My biggest takeaway from this trip is to be aggressive about what you want. This conference gave me a push to go out there and create connections.*"

2+2 JWCC/WIU Agriculture- A new 2+2 agreement was signed recently JWCC agriculture program that converted a 3+2 into a 2+2 program making articulation easier for JWCC agriculture majors to matriculate to Western Illinois University at the Macomb campus. Thanks to Ember Keithley (School of Agriculture academic advisor) and JWCC's agriculture instructor and WIU alum Mike Tenhouse in getting this agreement together and approved by both institutions.

Ag Expo held in March-The Ag Expo is back this year, which converts Western Hall into an Ag Expo with 200+ vendors, which will be held March 4th and 5th. Along with the Ag Expo, "WIU Aggies" alumni group will be hosting an alumni event at the new Ice House in town on March 4th.

The 51st Annual Bull Sale will be brought back to campus on March 10th, which attracts 100's of buyers from around the region. Co-advisers of the Ag Mechanization Club Dr. Dan Atherton and Jana Knupp have worked extremely hard on establishing this community event.

Endowed Agriculture Scholarships -Since the beginning of fall 2022 semester, the School of

Agriculture has been very fortunate to have had three new endowed agriculture scholarships (Wright, Beckman, Whipps) to assist students with their financial needs. Our first diversity scholarship from the Chicago Farmers was awarded for the first time in the fall of 2022.

WIU's 2022 Livestock Judging Team – WIU Livestock Judging Team, coached by Dr. Mark Hoge, placed third overall team with having the high overall individual Caleb Boden at the National Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest that is referred to as the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, KY back in November. This event is the Super Bowl of collegiate livestock judging each year. The two teams above us were Oklahoma State University and Texas A&M University.

College of Education and Human Services

College Student Personnel will be hosting CSP Days March 5-7 in Macomb. The department will be collaborating with 2 other institutions for external placements of graduate assistants. We hope to add more partnerships in the future.

For Spring 2023, the School of Education has 304 undergraduate students (up 11 students from the fall) and 534 graduate students (up 22 students from the fall) for a grand total of 838 students which is 12% of the university population.

March is Social Work Month and April 3-9 is National Public Health Week. The Social Work program has scheduled a mayoral proclamation on March 20 @ 5:00 and the Illinois Public Health Association will be featuring daily presentations by HS 513 students that week.

The Nutrition and Dietetics program received an 86.96% pass rate on the most recent certification exam.

The School of Law Enforcement and Justice Administration has an open house scheduled for 3/21/23 from 9 - 2 pm. There are currently 200 students who have registered and they expect another 250 or more high school students from the tristate area to register.

Recreation, Park, and Tourism Administration has developed 2+2 agreements with the College of Dupage, launched their Masters of Practitioner Option and Post Baccalaureate Certificate (see press release: http://wiu.edu/news/newsrelease.php?release_id=19033), and will be hosting over 300 Galesburg Jr High students to experience Horn Field Campus this spring.

A new Professor of Military Science has been identified. LTC Mark Christiansen began the transition process with LTC Oborski in February and is expected to be on-campus in early May. LTC Oborski will depart following the Spring Commissioning on 12 May.

The Dean's Office is currently surveying COEHS students on their sense of belonging to identify ways to improve students' sense of belonging. In addition, the Dean's Office has launched a student of the month award which is being coordinated by the COEHS Student Advisory Council.

College of Fine Arts and Communication

Department of Art & Design

Southern Graphics Council International

Western Illinois University Department of Art & Design will be hosting one of these satellite locations. Professor Susan Czechowski (treasurer, SGCI) and Professor Bill Howard will be hosting this event in the Printmaking studios of Garwood 1st floor. The WIU printmakers will be hosting 3 - 45-minute demonstrations that will be live streamed to over 800 members in the United States, India, United Kingdom, Poland, Germany and France. These conferences have been occurring for the last 49 years.

Susan has been taking WIU students to this professional event for the past 15 years and helping raise funds for travel and attendance through the Printworks program, which over the past 10 years has raised over \$10,000 towards these efforts. The Western Illinois University Students find this conference an amazing opportunity to discuss research with peers, faculty and printshop from around the world. Close to a dozen printmaking students from both Professors Susan Czechowski and Bill Howard have returned to this conference as a Graduate student and/or Professor.

Department of Broadcasting and Journalism

Broadcasting & Journalism Sophomore Jaycie Doerr won third place at the Illinois College Press Association (ICPA) competition, for an opinion piece published in *The Western Courier*. Doerr serves as editor-in-chief of the *Western Courier*, which is Western Illinois University's college newspaper.

Department of Communication

Minda Harts, a WIU Communication alum, received a Trailblazer Award in 2022 from the Bowman Foundation for her work with women of color, and most recently being named one of Business Insider's 100 People Transforming Business.

The Trailblazer award was presented to Harts at the inaugural Global Impact Awards and Gala, which is organized by The Bowman Foundation for Workplace Equity and Mental Wellness, honoring Harts' work toward changing historic norms in creating workplaces to be fair, just and equitable. This highly prestigious award recognizes Harts for her unprecedented change and innovation in the field of business, making our spaces more inclusive for all.

Department of Museum Studies

Multimedia Installation **LUCHADORES IMMIGRANTS**



WIU QC Campus March 25 - April 22

Inauguration Saturday, March 25 1 – 4 p.m.
WIU QC Complex Atrium Hosts Acclaimed Artist
Miriam Alarcón Avila with a new installation

Saturday, March 25 Inauguration Schedule

1 - 1:30 p.m.	WIU Tradición Hispana Dance Group
1:30 - 1:45 p.m.	Bendición/Blessing
1:45 - 2:45 p.m.	Visitors experience: Procesión Migratoria/Migration Procession
2:45 - 4 p.m.	Latin Thunder, Danza Asunción (Aztec Dancers), DJ Flaco Contreras, ongoing exhibit visits, food and kids' activities

Come and celebrate Latino voices with art, music, dance, food, family and friends!

Through a multimedia approach based in photography, which also incorporates customized luchador masks, video, poetry and storytelling, acclaimed artist Miriam Alarcón Avila unveils the stories of Latino people across Iowa. Launched in 2017, her "Luchadores Immigrants" series has appeared in art museums in Des Moines, Iowa City and eastern Iowa communities. Through the creation of "luchador" masks, expressing the heroic and poignant nature of their characters, Avila's multimedia show is a unique and engaging portrait of the Latino experience in Iowa.

As a celebration of our diverse communities, Miriam Alarcón Avila's extraordinary work gives voice to those often unheard stories, and provides a unique platform for the Quad Cities communities to come together and take part in a fun, engaging and compelling event to tell our own stories.

For more information about Miriam Alarcón Avila's work: miriamalarconavila.com

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Department of Museum Studies, WIU Quad City Graduate Study Center, LULAC Davenport



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Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology

Interviewing 52 of the 116 applications of potential grad students for fall of 2023.

Working on the Autism Clinic launch with the Department of Psychology scheduled for March. Teaming up with ROE #26 Early Beginnings program to bridge the service gap of Early Intervention for local children.

Two Civil Rights attorneys coming to the Comfort Circle to speak about Special Education on March 7th.

Starting fundraising with WIU Counseling Center to provide Sensory Intervention for college students with anxiety and mental health issues. SPA students are going to use money raised to purchase sensory equipment for this project.

School of Music

The School of Music hosted several festivals and special events in recent months that welcomed hundreds of visitors to campus. The 25th Annual Brassfest hosted by the WIU brass faculty and the BCA featured the Seven Hills Brass from Cincinnati, Ohio. The 50th Annual WIU Jazz Festival featured guest trumpeter Alex Norris and welcomed junior high and senior high jazz bands. The 50th Annual Showcase of Bands welcomed several guest artists, high school bands, and featured Assistant Professor of Oboe Dr. Paul Chinen as soloist in a world premiere of an oboe concerto by Robert W. Smith with the WIU Wind Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Mike Fansler.

Department of Theatre and Dance

24 students and 2 faculty members traveled to Flint, MI to participate in the Region 3 Kennedy Center/ American College Theatre Festival in Jan.

Student Awards:

Emma Wahlmann - Finalist in the Stage Management Competition

Izzy Maxwell, Kelly Brown, Ann Garcia, McGwire Holman - Finalist in Irene Ryan Acting Competition.

Izzy Maxwell, Kelly Brown, Ann Garcia, McGwire Holman - Finalist in Musical Theatre Competition.

Trevor Turner and Rio Canas - Team Spirit Award in the Tech Olympics

Kena McCance - Voted to be the Region 3 Representative to the KC/ACTF Student Council

Tri States Public Radio

TSPR General Manager Heather L. Norman was named to the fifth cohort of the Public Media Diversity Leaders Initiative, through The Riley Institute at Furman University in South Carolina. This years' cohort consists of 30 leaders from across the United States.

Centennial Honors College

The Honors College has begun the process of completing a SWOT Analysis and Strategic Plan for the College.

The Honors Council reviewed and awarded 1 undergraduate research grant thus far this spring semester.

The Honors Council reviewed and approved proposed changes to departmental requirements for Honors in the Major for ECH, ELED, and Middle Level Education.

Student Highlights – William Lowell Putnam Mathematical Competition Results

1. Noah Seys & Caleb Engebrecht

Noah Seys is a second year Engineering Major, currently serving as a Learning Assistant (LA) in the Math 133-134 Calculus sequence in the Quad Cities. Caleb Engebrecht is a 5th year double major in Engineering and Mathematics, currently serving as an LA in Math 134 in Macomb. Both are members of the Honors College, and have completed projects toward their General Honors and Honors in the Major in Mathematics. This past fall, they elected to take the Putnam Exam, a prestigious exam offered by the Mathematical Association of America, and were recently notified that they both had scored above the national average, and their "team" had scored well enough to place 179th out of 456 institutions with students taking the exam.

Current Students

86 students are currently completing honors projects this semester.

12 students are completing honors thesis work this semester.

Upcoming Events

The Honors College host the annual Dr. Jill M. Brody/McDonough Eye Associates Pre-Med Symposium on March 1, 2023 at 5:00pm in the Union Grand Ballroom.

The Thomas E. Helm Undergraduate Research Day will be held on April 19, 2023 in the University Union.

University Libraries

In May 2023, the University Libraries, with the support of other scholars from different colleges, will write and present a new VI Title Grant for the US Department of Education (Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Languages).

During March 2023, the Dean of Libraries will travel to Washington, DC, and Puerto Rico as part of the current VI Title Grant for the US Department of Education (Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Languages).

The University Libraries started the process of developing their strategic plan.

Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs

The IIRA at WIU hosted its 34th annual rural community development conference on February 22 and 23 in Springfield, Illinois. The conference is co-hosted with the Governor's Rural Affairs Council, which is chaired by Lt. Governor Juliana Stratton, and by Rural Partners. Featured speakers include Lt. Governor Juliana Stratton, WIU President Guiyou Huang, as well as presenters from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Kansas State University, University of Wisconsin—Madison, Northern Illinois University, University of Illinois Extension, University of Toledo, and the Illinois Innovation Network. The conference also featured best practices in community development from rural communities including Assumption, Mattoon, Canton, and Hillsboro in Illinois, as well as communities from Minnesota and Missouri. Finally, the conference featured speakers from state and federal agencies such as the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, FEMA, USDA-Rural Development, HUD, and the Economic Development Administration, who discussed technical assistance and funding programs that can help rural communities. Over 275 people attended the in-person event. We were very pleased with this number because we hosted the conference virtually for the previous two years because of the pandemic.

University Technology

Cybersecurity

- Tighter controls around software distribution and administrative rights have been implemented on all Windows machines. Now working on Linux and Mac.
- Cyber security position posted
- Reviewing policy/procedure updates to Cybersecurity program, Incident Response Plan, and Data Governance policy

- Contracting vendor for Risk Assessment and Penetration Testing

Center for the Application of Information Technology (CAIT)

- CAIT is finalizing a new 5-year agreement with Illinois Department of Corrections to provide their i-Pathways High School Equivalency Test Preparation curriculum and custom learning management system, which is aligned and vetted for the GED®, HiSET™, and TASC™. This is the only online High School Equivalency Test Prep curriculum provided to inmates within the education classrooms at every IL DOC facility in the state.
- February 1st, CAIT launched the Spanish version of the Illinois Constitution online course as part of the Illinois Community College's Alternative Method of Credentialing program, which provides an alternative route to high school equivalency for students who have already completed a significant amount of high school or post-secondary credits.

AIMS

- We kicked off the Slate CRM implementation for the Admissions and Enrollment module on January 2nd. Carnegie Underscore is our implementation partner and they are spending two days onsite doing working sessions for the implementation. We plan to have the Admissions and Enrollment module complete by the end of June. Next, we will implement the Advancement module in June and run through November. We will start the Student Success module implementation sometime during the Fall semester.
- We are evaluating the Ellucian Colleague ERP solution for Finance, Human Resources and Student Information System. Ellucian was onsite for two-day long demonstrations of their Colleague product during the month of February. We hope to be making a recommendation to the Cabinet and Board of our ERP decision soon.
- Because we are close to making a decision on a comprehensive ERP solution, it was decided that we would not purchase a Financial Aid software application at this time. We are in the process of rewriting our homegrown Financial Aid system to accommodate the changes that are coming from the Department of Education.
- We are in the process of implementing Transact which is an application that will handle our Automatic Payment Plans for our student tuition, fees, room and board. We hope to have this completed by the end of March, 2023.
- We are rewriting our data integrations for Western Online (D2L) in order to convert over from an old D2L process using their Holding Tank to a new process using IPSIS. This will make the data integration more efficient and timelier.

Web Services

- Digital marketing landing web pages for the RPTA Masters' Practitioners Option and Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Event Planning were launched in collaboration with University Marketing and RPTA faculty
- A new combined media request form was developed and launched to assist University Television, Photography & Design Production and University Communications & Marketing field requests for media development from the campus and regional communities
- Website redesign for the Department of Sociology and Anthropology launched
- New webpage and application to promote the iCREST Program (Improving Career Readiness for Engineering Students) developed in collaboration with School of Engineering and Technology faculty
- Website and registration form for military history conference developed and launched in collaboration with Department of History faculty
- A new website to promote the visit opportunities for prospective transfer students was launched in collaboration with University Marketing and Undergraduate Admissions

Digital Space

- Support Center for Innovation Entrepreneurship, and Technology in its development of a proposal to build out 3 immersive classrooms on campus
- The computer lab in Memorial hall has been renewed into a collaboration space that features pods of computers that all seamlessly connect to a singular display, all monitors in the room are touch screens, and a small group area that features a 70inch TV and whiteboard.

Networking:

- Replaced about half of the old Cisco 1142 AP's with 2702's. This process is now on pause until we can free up more Cisco 2702/2802 AP's.
- Installed 10 AP's on the Union Hotel level which is also providing some improvements in the Grand Ballroom. More AP's are still needed in the Grand Ballroom.
- Added WiFi coverage to the WIU farm research plots
- Moving to new Palo Alto VPN by June 30
- Bringing up Kibbe Bunkhouse the networks and fire alarm in the next few weeks

Servers:

- We upgraded the hardware of 5/7 of our compute nodes in VMWare

- Upgrading end-of-life software, working on all Windows 2k12 and older Windows servers and all versions of CentOS servers are being replaced.

Enterprise Systems:

- In the process of upgrading CICS to release 6.1. Upgrading all of our CICS utilities first, CICS utilities will take about 1.5 months to upgrade all of them.

Telecommunications:

- Continuing to install new VoIP phones, now have installs in Sherman, the Union, Horrabin, Garwood, and the Art Gallery. We have moved to installing new VoIP phones when old PBX phones fail instead of replacing old PBX phones.
- Installed a new VoIP server environment using decommissioned VMware servers. This is a big performance and expandability boost for the the WIU VoIP phone system and no extra cost to WIU

Other

- iPathe Adobe agreement: WIU, through the participation with other Illinois Public Universities, has tentatively agreed to purchase Adobe through this consortium. This will expand licensing and availability to all faculty and Staff and 50% of our students. Per unit cost decreased from approximately \$240 to \$23.
- Training Seminar provided on Google tools from our QC campus to an audience of both Macomb and QC participants.

Office of Distance Education and Support

ODES/CITR provided a Semester Startup Workshop Series consisting of 8 webinars for new and returning faculty. Thirty-five faculty members participated in various workshops during this workshop series.

Online course approvals: 17 online course approvals were completed.

Fall 2022 Initiative for Social Justice Pedagogies (IJSP): CITR assisted with marketing, registration, and attendance tracking to Rebekah Buchanan, Professor and Director of English Education and Jim LaPrad, Ph.D., Professor of Social Foundations of Education. During the Fall of 2022 Rebekah and Jim provided 4 *ISJP Critical Friends* meetings, 3 *ISJP Consultation* opportunities, and a 5-week *Book Study* over Mónica Guzmán's *I Never Thought of It That Way: How to Have Fearlessly Curious Conversations in Dangerously Divided Times*. 28 Faculty participated throughout the series of offerings.

About 78 workshops offered June – December 2022

About 215 hours of one-on-one Instructional Design /Training consultation.

Western Online continuous assistance and technical support provided to faculty

Center for Global Studies and Outreach

Study Abroad:

Three Summer faculty-led programs will be held: WISE Spain in June, Hippocrates, Holism and Healing (Greece) in late June/early July, and WIFI France in July. Approximately 30 students are participating in these programs.

Three students are planning to study abroad on individual programs for Summer 2023, three for Fall 2023, and two for Academic Year 2023/2024.

Two faculty-led Courses are planned for Fall 2023: "The Hills are Alive" to Austria and "Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation in India". Both will travel during Winter Break.

Outreach:

4 summer camps - 3 high school camp programs, 1 grade school program. The high school art program is just about full.

40 spring LIFE courses - first full lineup of courses since before Covid; resulting in approximately 590 registrations.

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March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/6 -- Report on Contributions



Fundraising Progress Report July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Pledges Made	Planned Gifts (FV)*	Total Pledges
\$ 795,898	\$ 17,815,000	\$ 18,610,898
Cash Gifts	Gifts-in-Kind	Total Receipts
\$ 2,327,134	\$ 52,582	\$ 2,379,716

	Overall Total	Goal	% to Goal
Fiscal Year	\$ 20,990,613	\$ 8,000,000	262.4%
Campaign	\$ 44,925,438	\$ 100,000,000	44.9%

*Discounted Present Value for the 8 planned gift pledge(s):
\$ 5,780,187

Deferred gift pledges not included in totals:

Outside scholarships not included in totals:
\$ 1,213,185

PURPOSE: Record of fiscal year goals and progress
AUDIENCE: Internal use for administrators, development officers, and board members
NOTES: Cash Gifts do not include pledge payments.
Gifts-in-kind do not include service or noncharitable gifts-in-kind.
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Fundraising Progress Report July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

COLLEGE/UNIT	PLEDGES	GIFTS	GIFTS- IN-KIND	PLANNED GIFTS	FISCAL YEAR TOTAL
CAS	189,193	189,662	0	1,600,000	1,978,855
CBT	125,687	334,304	200	190,000	650,191
COEHS	59,112	148,469	450	25,000	233,032
COFAC	28,908	189,340	810	0	219,058
LIBRARY	682	8,955	508	0	10,144
HONORS	2,058	11,250	0	0	13,308
GLOBAL STUDIES	1,655	8,925	0	0	10,580
STUDENT SERVICES	17,918	47,932	0	0	65,850
QC	2,380	159,644	3,600	0	165,624
WQPT	5,877	400,238	5,267	0	411,383
ATHLETICS	119,141	380,324	33,004	0	532,468
ALUMNI	7,239	25,283	1,304	0	33,826
BGS	630	5,341	0	0	5,971
TRI-STATES RADIO	147,761	100,423	0	0	248,184
UNIV SCHOLARSHIPS	44,103	97,072	0	0	141,174
OTHER	43,554	219,972	7,439	16,000,000	16,270,965
UNIVERSITY TOTALS:	795,898	2,327,134	52,582	17,815,000	20,990,613

Outside scholarships not included in report: \$ 1,213,185

PURPOSE: Record of fiscal year progress by unit

AUDIENCE: Internal use for administrators, development officers, and board members

NOTES: Gifts do not include pledge payments.

Radio is separate from COFAC; Parent and Family Association is separate from Student Services.

Gifts-in-kind do not include service or noncharitable gifts-in-kind.

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Significant Donors Report Gifts of \$5,000 or more for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Name	Pledges & Payments	Cash Gifts	Planned Gifts	Gifts-in-Kind	Soft Credit	Total
ADM	0	15,000	0	0	0	15,000
Anonymous	0	13,600	0	0	2,913	16,513
Jobu Babin	6,160	550	0	0	0	6,710
Robert & Judy Baker	25,000	0	0	0	0	25,000
BASF Corporation	0	24,000	0	0	0	24,000
Bob Baumann	0	4,600	0	769	0	5,369
Bayer Corporation	0	11,400	0	0	0	11,400
Frank Beckman	25,000	400	190,000	0	0	215,400
Peggy Beckman	0	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
Bi-State Literacy Council	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Tim & Karen Bondy	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Dennis Bowman	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
Marty Brown	0	25,000	0	0	0	25,000
Suzy & Paul Bubb	2,715	500	0	2,011	0	5,226
Linda & Charlie Carey	0	0	0	0	7,500	7,500
Byron Carlson	5,000	5	0	0	0	5,005
Shirley Chan	31,044	0	0	0	0	31,044
Eric & Cherie Clark	10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
Pat & Roger Clawson	609	5,350	0	0	0	5,959
CoBank	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Ernie & Pamela Codilis	0	11,500	0	0	0	11,500
Carolyn Colvin	0	0	54,288	0	0	54,288
Compeer Financial	0	11,500	0	0	0	11,500
Chris & Connie Connolly	0	4,500	0	0	2,000	6,500
Corteva Agriscience	0	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
CyberGrants	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
Dell USA LP	0	0	0	7,391	0	7,391
Susan & Nick Di Grino	0	12,500	0	0	0	12,500
Doris & Victor Day Foundation	0	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
Maria & Tom Dunstan	20,000	200	0	0	0	20,200
Cathy Early & Virginia Diehl	27,000	375	0	0	4,500	31,875
Edward Jones - Cory Clem	6,120	0	0	0	0	6,120
Sondra & Bill Epperly	750	5,159	0	0	4,500	10,409
Jerry & Ann Ernst	15,000	0	0	0	0	15,000
Curt & Christine Farr	0	5,500	0	0	0	5,500
First Christian Church	0	8,100	0	0	0	8,100

Name	Pledges & Payments	Cash Gifts	Planned Gifts	Gifts-in-Kind	Soft Credit	Total
FMC Corporation	0	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
Rick Fry	0	0	300,000	0	0	300,000
Chuck Gilbert & Karen Ihrig-Gilbert	11,280	1,100	0	0	0	12,380
George Grice	6,120	20,250	0	0	0	26,370
Nadine Groves	0	150	25,000	0	0	25,150
Susan Gutierrez	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
Don Haisch	6,000	0	0	0	0	6,000
Sue & Cliff Haka	0	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
Emily Hess	0	25,000	0	0	0	25,000
Gulyou Huang	0	10,200	0	0	0	10,200
The Hubbell-Waterman Foundation	0	0	0	0	50,000	50,000
Mark Hussey	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Illinois Farm Bureau	0	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
Monica & Rick Iverson	0	550	0	0	10,000	10,550
Laura Janus	0	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
Linda Janus	0	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
John Deere World Headquarters	0	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
Lynn & Dale Johnson	0	250	0	0	15,000	15,250
Betty Kaspar	0	125	500,000	0	0	500,125
Myrna & Mike Kelly	10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
Lamberti USA	0	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
Hazel & Pat Leshar	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
Randall Lindsey	18,000	0	800,000	0	0	818,000
Mike Litwin	0	0	0	0	5,000	5,000
Mary Kathleen Lockard & David Miller	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Lowell N. Johnson Charitable Foundation	0	17,500	0	0	0	17,500
Bill Maakestad & Jean Maakestad-Wolf	750	5,400	0	0	0	6,150
Maurine & Hugo Magliocco	0	17,000	0	0	0	17,000
Sue Martinelli	10,535	0	0	0	0	10,535
Marc & Carrie Mason	0	36	0	0	10,000	10,036
Rich Mathers	0	7,000	0	0	0	7,000
George & Renee Mavigliano	8,739	1,000	0	0	0	9,739
Jim & Claudia Mc Cain	0	8,068	0	0	0	8,068
McDonough Eye Associates and Jill Brody, MD	7,500	0	0	0	0	7,500
MetroLINK	0	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
Ronald Mize	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Bill & Carol Myers	25,000	0	0	0	0	25,000
Tom Nardi	0	375	0	0	5,000	5,375
Ethan Nelson & Laura Lins	25,000	0	0	0	0	25,000
Joyce & Jim Nielsen	0	15,000	0	0	0	15,000
Ken & Laura Nofziger	10,000	100	0	0	0	10,100
Sheila Nollen	9,000	3,000	0	0	0	12,000
Larry Joe O'Hern	0	10,000	0	0	0	10,000

Name	Pledges & Payments	Cash Gifts	Planned Gifts	Gifts-in-Kind	Soft Credit	Total
Ed Ohlin	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Nicholas Pano	0	8,825	0	0	0	8,825
Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce	0	15,000	0	0	0	15,000
Quad Cities Community Foundation	0	39,950	0	0	0	39,950
Quad Cities River Bandits	0	0	0	6,685	0	6,685
Quad City Storm	0	0	0	5,135	0	5,135
Phyllis Quensel	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Jeff & Polly Radosh	6,600	113	0	0	0	6,713
Regional Development Authority	0	30,000	0	0	0	30,000
Paul & Alene Reuschel	5,000	100	0	0	0	5,100
Max & Lea Ann Rexroat	0	5,275	0	0	0	5,275
Ruth Richert	0	43,100	0	0	0	43,100
Michael Robson	0	5,100	0	0	0	5,100
Norm & Judy Rocke	10,060	4,997	0	0	0	15,057
Michael & Bette Rogers	0	0	0	0	10,000	10,000
Ketra & Joe Roselieb	5,776	299	0	200	0	6,275
Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust	0	136,919	0	0	0	136,919
Sarah Knight Memorial	0	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
Mona Sawyer	0	7,000	0	0	0	7,000
Harold Schmalfeld	0	15,700	0	0	0	15,700
Stronghurst LLC	25,000	0	0	0	0	25,000
Summit League	50,000	0	0	0	0	50,000
Norm & Carmelita Teeter	0	5,000	16,000,000	0	0	16,005,000
Jim Terrill	0	2	7,925	0	0	7,927
The Moline Foundation	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
The Will J. Reid Foundation	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Ronald & Audrey Thompson	8,779	0	0	0	0	8,779
Wendall Toland	0	26,000	0	0	0	26,000
Hiro Tongu	0	0	0	0	10,000	10,000
Margie Twaddle Johnson & Garry Johnson	6,000	2,617	0	0	0	8,617
U.S. Bank Foundation	0	7,500	0	0	0	7,500
Valent	0	6,000	0	0	0	6,000
Dona & Norman Walzer	0	14,000	0	0	0	14,000
Anita & Dennis Werling	0	8,250	0	0	0	8,250
Wesley United Methodist Church's Fellheimer Trust	0	20,625	0	0	0	20,625
West Central FS, Inc.	0	5,800	0	0	0	5,800
Sue & Curt Westen	0	6,328	0	0	0	6,328
Wayne Whipps	50,000	6,225	0	0	0	56,225
Melissa & Walter Willis	4,000	1,000	0	0	0	5,000
Wiu Quad Cities Graduate Study Center	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Margaret Wong	110,000	0	0	0	20,000	130,000
Ken Wright	15,000	0	0	0	0	15,000
Betty Wright	15,000	0	0	0	0	15,000

Name	Pledges & Payments	Cash Gifts	Planned Gifts	Gifts-in-Kind	Soft Credit	Total
James Wiener	17,520	0	0	0	0	17,520
3M Corporation	0	0	0	0	5,000	5,000

PURPOSE: List of significant donors with gifts or pledges \$5,000 or greater for current fiscal year.

AUDIENCE: External (Board) and internal use for administrators and development officers.

NOTES: "Pledges & Payments" includes any new pledges for current or future fiscal years plus the amount paid (or expected to be paid) this year on prior year pledges. Total includes memberships for next fiscal year (e.g. Leatherneck Club)

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Annual Fund Report July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

COLLEGE/UNIT	# OF PLEDGES	TOTAL PLEDGE AMT	AVERAGE PLEDGE AMT	PLEDGES PAID	CASH	*TOTAL RECEIVED
CAS	140	21,849	156	12,213	80,533	92,746
CBT	191	32,455	170	20,443	233,160	253,603
COEHS	151	18,872	125	11,304	98,982	110,287
COFAC	94	22,748	242	12,848	144,033	156,881
ALUMNI	47	7,239	154	2,508	25,283	27,791
GLOBAL STUDIES	12	1,655	138	890	3,925	4,815
LIBRARY	11	682	62	455	8,630	9,085
HONORS	1	648	648	486	11,250	11,736
QC	24	2,380	99	1,321	2,725	4,046
ATHLETICS	79	68,641	869	58,823	372,993	431,815
STUDENT SERVICES	30	7,318	244	2,769	37,252	40,021
BGS	3	630	210	500	5,241	5,741
TRI-STATES RADIO	470	147,761	314	92,743	99,123	191,866
WQPT	49	5,877	120	2,215	399,978	402,194
PFA	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNIV SCHOLARSHIPS	111	23,983	216	21,498	93,967	115,465
OTHER	157	43,554	277	31,464	112,740	144,203
Total	1,570	406,292	259	272,480	1,729,815	2,002,295

****Total Annual Fund: \$2,136,107**

Above Pledge totals include:

Leatherneck Club	\$ 64,512
Library Atrium Society	\$ 637
Performing Arts Society	\$ 4,712

Above Receipt totals include:

Leatherneck Club	\$ 335,912
Library Atrium Society	\$ 4,720
Performing Arts Society	\$ 23,206

PURPOSE: Record of fiscal year Annual Fund totals by Unit; includes Phonathon and President's Scholarship totals.
AUDIENCE: Internal use for administrators, development officers, and board members.

NOTES:

*Total Received equals Income (Cash, Pledges Paid, Gifts in Kind, and GIK Pledges Paid).

**Total Annual Fund equals sum of Pledges, GIKs, and Cash.

Radio is separate from COFAC; Parent and Family Association is separate from Student Services.

Gifts-in-kind do not include service or noncharitable GIKs.

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Phonathon Report July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

COLLEGE/UNIT	# OF PLEDGES	TOTAL PLEDGES	AVERAGE PLEDGE	PLEDGES PAID	CASH	*TOTAL GIFTS
CAS	121	10,820	89	4,845	350	5,195
CBT	169	17,715	105	9,780	250	10,030
COEHS	133	9,045	68	4,265	505	4,770
COFAC	56	3,810	68	1,335	80	1,415
ALUMNI	42	3,390	81	1,725	200	1,925
GLOBAL STUDIES	10	335	34	0	0	0
LIBRARY	9	548	61	358	10	368
HONORS	0	0	0	0	0	0
QC	17	580	34	100	25	125
ATHLETICS	16	1,127	70	810	0	810
STUDENT SERVICES	17	3,460	204	200	0	200
BGS	3	630	210	500	0	500
TRI-STATES RADIO	1	100	100	0	0	0
WQPT	2	70	35	0	0	0
PFA	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNIV SCHOLARSHIPS	96	15,758	164	13,548	180	13,728
OTHER	129	8,496	66	3,205	230	3,435
Total	821	75,883	92	40,670	1,830	42,500

****Total Phonathon: \$77,713**

Above Pledge totals include:

Leatherneck Club	\$ 1,002
Library Atrium Society	\$ 528

Above Receipt totals include:

Leatherneck Club	\$ 810
Library Atrium Society	\$ 348

PURPOSE: Record of fiscal year Phonathon totals by Unit.
 AUDIENCE: Internal use for administrators, development officers, and board members.
 NOTES:
 *Total Gifts equals Income (Cash, Pledges Paid, Gifts in Kind, and GIK Pledges Paid).
 **Total Phonathon equals sum of Pledges, GIKs, and Cash.
 Radio is separate from COFAC; Parent and Family Association is separate from Student Services.
 Gifts-in-kind do not include service or noncharitable GIKs.
 See Annual Fund report for all phonathon and annual fund totals.
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WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/7 -- Update Board of Trustee Regulation II.B.12.e and II.C.7.f Bereavement Leave

On January 1, 2023 the Family Bereavement Leave Act (FBLA) went into effect in Illinois. The new act supersedes the Child Bereavement Leave Act and expands unpaid leave rights for employees.

The following message was sent to our employees via campus email:

Family Bereavement Leave Act

Senate Bill 3120, also known as the Family Bereavement Leave Act, has been expanded. The WIU Board of Trustees regulation allows greater benefits than the law requires. WIU's Bereavement Leave benefits will now provide up to ten days of unpaid leave to employees who are absent due to any of the following events:

- A miscarriage
- An unsuccessful round of intrauterine insemination or an assisted reproductive technology procedure
- A failed adoption match or an adoption that is not finalized because it is contested by another party
- A failed surrogacy agreement
- A diagnosis that negatively impacts pregnancy or fertility
- A stillbirth

Employees wishing to take Family Bereavement Leave should contact Human Resources - Benefits at HR-Benefits@wiu.edu for guidance. Collective bargaining agreements may have different bereavement leave provisions.

Updates needed to BOT Regulations; reorder of existing policy & suggested changes in red:

BOT II.B.12.e.

BOT II,C.7.f.

Bereavement Leave (Approved March 31, 2017)

1. Employees will be granted, upon request, leave of up to three **paid** scheduled work days to attend the funeral or memorial service and/or for travel and bereavement time, upon the death of a member of the employee's immediate family. Immediate family is defined as: father, mother, sister, brother, spouse, domestic partner, children, **grandchildren, and grandparents.** Biological, adopted, foster, legal wards, a child of a person standing in loco parentis, or step family members are considered immediate family under this policy. In-laws are defined as: mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law. Upon the death of a member of the employee's immediate family, the employee will be granted seven additional work days of unpaid leave to attend the funeral or alternative to a funeral for the immediate family member, make arrangements necessitated by the death of the immediate family member, or grieve the death of the immediate family member.
2. Employees will be granted, upon request, leave of up to one **paid** day to attend the funeral or memorial service of a relative other than the above who is not a member of the employee's household. Other relative is defined as: aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, or first cousin of the employee. Such relatives are regarded as members of the immediate family only if in residence in the employee's household at the time of death.
3. The amount of leave provided is not intended to be guaranteed and is available only when there is a need. Bereavement leave shall be taken in not less than one-half day increments and may not be accumulated.
4. Bereavement leave benefits are not granted in the event of the death of a member of the employee's spouse's or domestic partner's family unless specifically stated. For example, grandparent refers to the grandparent of the employee. For purposes of application of bereavement leave, relationships existing due to marriage or domestic partnership will terminate upon the divorce or termination of domestic partnership of the relative through whom the marriage or domestic partnership relationship exists. Current marital status will be defined in accord with Illinois State Law.
5. **Employees will be granted, upon request, up to ten days of unpaid bereavement leave due to the following events: miscarriage or stillbirth, unsuccessful round of intrauterine insemination or an assisted reproductive technology procedure, failed adoption match or an adoption that is not finalized because it is contested by another party, failed surrogacy agreement, or diagnosis that negatively impacts pregnancy or fertility.**
6. **In the event of the death of more than one covered family member in a 12-month period, an employee is entitled to up to a total of six weeks of unpaid bereavement leave during the 12-month period.**

7. Bereavement leave must be completed within 60 days after the employee receives notice of the death of the covered family member or the date on which a miscarriage, stillbirth, failed adoption or surrogacy agreement, or other covered fertility-related reasons occurs.
8. The employee's supervisor may grant additional leave to an employee who cannot, because of special circumstances, return to work at the completion of the allowable bereavement leave days. An employee may choose to take such leave without pay or may use accrued vacation or sick leave time.

Employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement with different bereavement leave benefits will receive those benefits according to their agreement.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/8 -- Enrollment Summary

Overall Enrollment

Spring 23 enrollment was flat with Spring 22 overall enrollment. Overall enrollment continues to be stable. New entering International numbers are beginning to normalize, but we still have excellent international enrollment. New entering domestic undergraduate enrollment is also up over last spring.

Retention overall continues to be an issue that we are addressing.

	Spring 2023	Spring 2022	% change
Overall Enrollment	6966	6980	0.20% down
Macomb Campus Enrollment	6125	6144	.3% down
QC Campus Enrollment	841	836	.6% up
Total International student enrollment	1069	818	31% up
Total new entering student population	560	605	7.4% down
New entering freshmen	52	44	18% up
New entering transfer	228	192	19% up
New entering graduate	280	369	24% down
New entering International	157	247	35% down

Retention

	Fall to Spring FTFT Retention rate	Fall to Fall FTFT Retention rate
2015		69.2
2016		67.8
2017	86.6	65.3
2018	89.7	67.5
2019	89.3	77
2020	89.1	71.9
2021	88	66.9
2022	85	

Our first-time, full-time freshmen cohort fall to spring retention rate declined this year compared to the prior years.

Our overall Fall to Fall retention rates have been relatively flat over time despite an acknowledgement that we to significantly improve these rates.

We need to make more aggressive progress towards our goal of increasing retention by at least 1% each year. Student success and retention continues to be one of Dr. Huang's top Presidential priorities and a collaborative focus of the Enrollment Management division, the Student Success division, and the Academic Affairs division. We are working to evolve the retention plan and involve the entire campus community in improving retention. The student advising experience continues to be a focus of our efforts.

This past fall semester Academic Affairs developed college specific retention plans. We are working collaboratively to align our focus and efforts across Enrollment Management, Academic Affairs, and Student Success to ensure that all our retention plans and efforts are in sync and strategic.

We have made modifications to our conditional admit program that should improve student success and increase retention. We have changed the GPA criteria for our conditional admit program in order to serve more students in the conditional admit program. We have also changed the criteria for admission to the conditional admit program to be more predictive of student success by incorporating Dr Sedlacek's Non-Cognitive Variables.

Recruitment

As of March 4, 2023, we are:

- 2% behind our goal for new entering freshmen admits but running way ahead on yield indicators
- 11% behind our goal for new entering transfer admits
- 22% behind on goal for new entering graduate admits

We have several campaigns in process and have time to catch up on goals and will continue to work on improving yield indicators. We continue to increase communication and increase campus visit opportunities. We are implementing Slate- the top of the line higher education customer relationship management tool that will allow us to significantly improve efficiency in the application process, shorten response time and dramatically improve the quality of our communication and recruitment marketing.

Next Steps

- Academic program marketing and recruitment
 - We are working to ensure that we lead with our high-quality academic programs and connect our recruits to our academic programs very early on in the recruitment process.
- Retention Focus
 - Student engagement
 - Advising
 - Additional support for conditional admit students

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Report No. 23.3/9 -- Financial Aid Report

The Financial Aid Office assists eligible students in meeting educational expenses while attending Western Illinois University. Assistance is provided through grants, scholarships, loans and student employment.

The mission of the Western Illinois University Office of Financial Aid is to provide all students and their families with resources for success through efficient and timely customer service, equitable disbursement of financial awards, and educational programming related to financial literacy. Through these actions, our goal is to maintain a positive environment that will help create opportunities for equal access to post-secondary education and increase student retention.

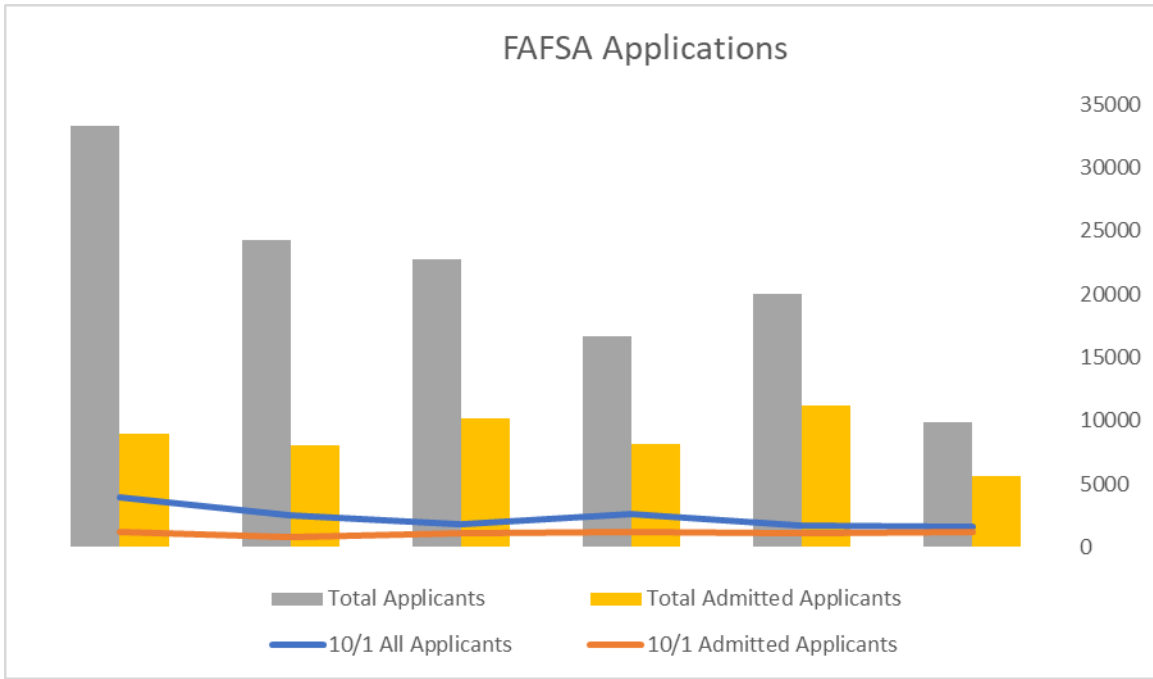
Our biggest challenge in Financial Aid this past year has been staffing. There is a nation-wide shortage of experienced and qualified financial aid staff. WIU Financial Aid has experienced an extraordinarily high level of turn over and many openings. Severe staffing shortages have limited our ability to be as strategic as we would like to be in leveraging financial aid to optimize enrollment. We continue to explore creative ways to meet the needs of the WIU campus community in terms of aid and enrollment.

FAFSA Applications filed:

October 1	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
All Applicants	3,960	2,501	1,859	2,602	1,682	1,607
Admitted Applicants	1,231	800	1,130	1,582	1,150	1,167

Total Applications	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
All Applicants	33,307	24,316	22,775	20,167	20,067*	11,170*
Admitted Applicants	8,973	8,070	10,183	9,723	9,892*	5,667*

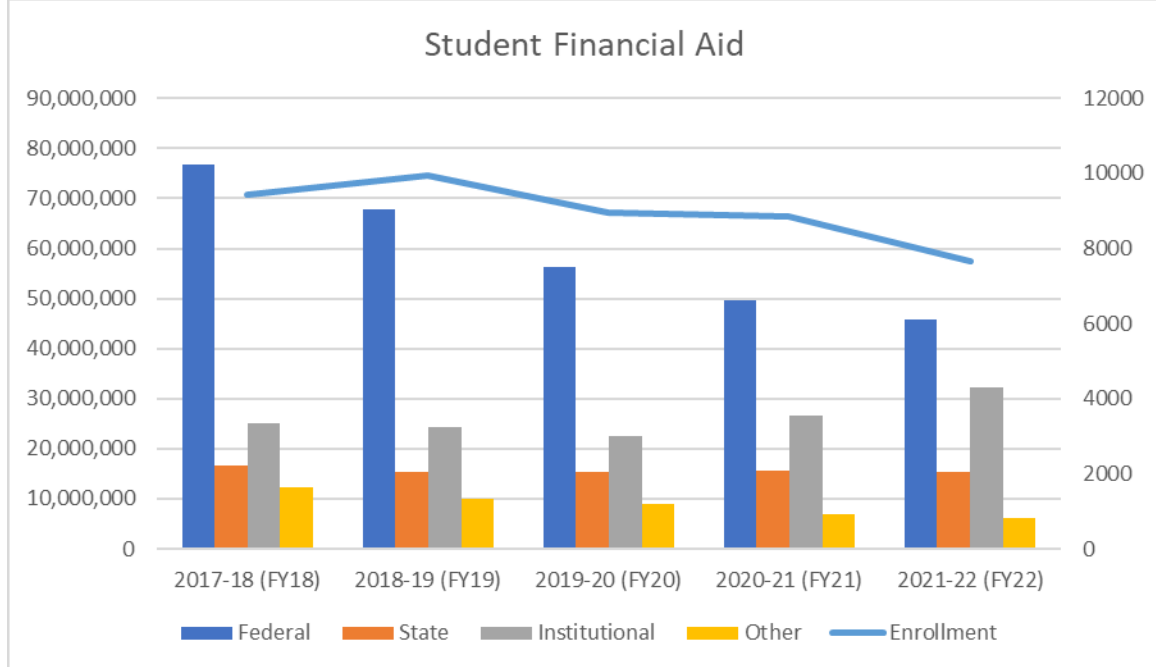
*as of 2/9/2023



Completing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is one of the most important steps on the road to college. Students who fail to complete the FAFSA leave around \$2.7 billion on the table in unclaimed Pell grants. For the class of 2022, the FAFSA is even more important as the US faces unprecedented times during a national pandemic/recession. As a nation, FAFSA completion is down 9%. Illinois is faring better at a 4% reduction in FAFSA completion (compared to this time last year). Illinois is fourth in the nation with a 53% FAFSA completion rate among high school seniors. Here at WIU, FAFSA completion is down 11% from 2020-21. Beginning 2023.24 the FAFSA will be required for all students receiving automatic institutional scholarships such as our Commitment Scholarship. This will ensure that all students are capturing all available educational dollars available.

Student Financial Aid

84% of students received some form of financial aid during the 2021-22 academic year. For incoming freshmen, the average aid offer was \$19,001.



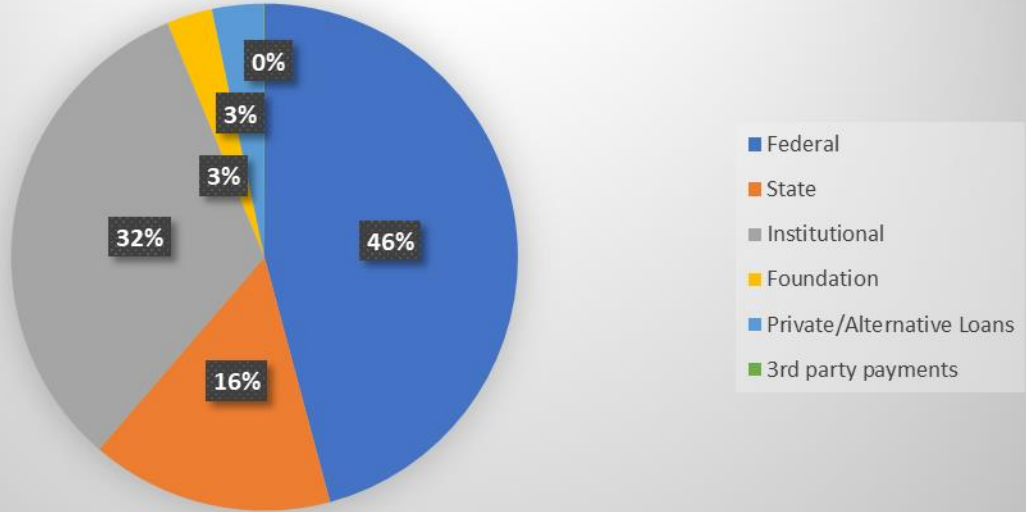
	Federal	State	Institutional	Other	Total
2017-18 (FY18)	76,729,329	16,753,674	25,061,118	12,319,207	\$130,863,328.00
2018-19 (FY19)	67,703,386	15,258,008	24,438,447	9,878,521	\$117,278,362.00
2019-20 (FY20)	56,221,121	15,420,417	22,631,338	9,010,069	\$103,282,945.00
2020-21 (FY21)	49,751,310	15,636,271	26,509,629	6,932,562	\$98,829,772.00
2021-22 (FY22)	45,683,541	15,442,733	32,334,550	6,229,797	\$99,690,621.00

WIU Factbook

% of aid by type	Federal	State	Institutional	Other
2017-18 (FY18)	59%	13%	19%	9%
2018-19 (FY19)	58%	13%	21%	8%
2019-20 (FY20)	54%	15%	22%	9%
2020-21 (FY21)	50%	16%	27%	7%
2021-22 (FY22)	46%	15%	32%	7%

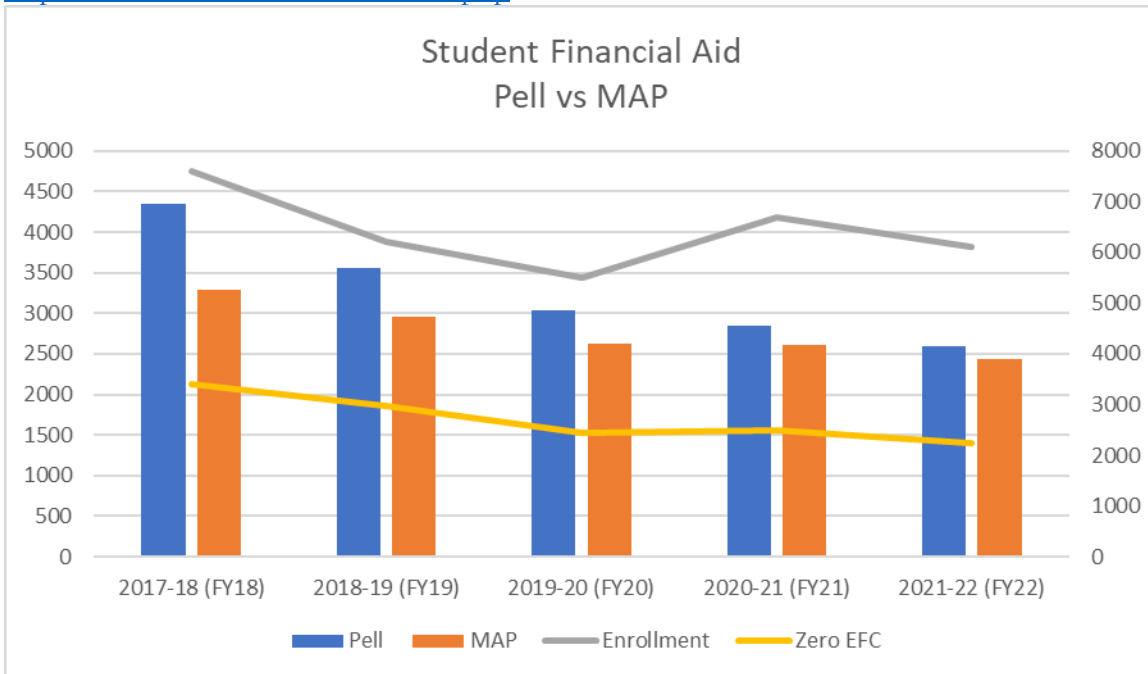
Other (2020-21)	Dollars	Percentage
Foundation	\$2,903,010	47%
Private/Alternative Loans	\$3,263,087	52%
3 rd Party Payments	\$63,700	1%

Student Aid sources 2021-22 (FY22)



	Total # of students (unduplicated) receiving aid (including loans)	Unduplicated headcount	Percentage
2017-18 (FY18)	8,438	9,441	89%
2018-19 (FY19)	7,610	9,961	76%
2019-20 (FY20)	6,956	8,949	78%
2020-21 (FY21)	6,956	8,860	78%
2021-22 (FY22)	6,829	7,455	92%

<http://www.wiu.edu/IRP/factbook.php>



Federal Pell Grant	Total # of students receiving Pell	Unduplicated headcount	Percentage
2017-18 (FY18)	4,348	7,599	57%
2018-19 (FY19)	3,563	6,208	57%
2019-20 (FY20)	3,044	5,497	55%
2020-21 (FY21)	2,848	6,704	42%
2021-22 (FY22)	2,590	6,106	42%

Federal Pell Grant	Total # of students receiving Pell	Zero EFC	Percentage
2017-18 (FY18)	4,348	3,397	78%
2018-19 (FY19)	3,563	2,982	84%
2019-20 (FY20)	3,044	2,439	80%
2020-21 (FY21)	2,848	2,504	88%
2021-22 (FY22)	2,590	2,235	86%

Illinois MAP Grant	Total # of students receiving MAP	Unduplicated headcount	Percentage
2017-18 (FY18)	3,291	7,599	43%
2018-19 (FY19)	2,953	6,208	48%
2019-20 (FY20)	2,625	5,497	48%
2020-21 (FY21)	2,615	6,704	39%
2021-22 (FY22)	2,438	6,106	40%

<http://www.wiu.edu/IRP/factbook.php>

Purchasing Power of Financial Aid

When a student receives a Pell/MAP grant the purchasing power of these two grants combine to cover 127% of educational costs (i.e. tuition/fees, housing/dining, books, transportation, etc.).

Federal Pell Grant	Maximum Pell	Tuition/Fees (based on 24 hrs.)	Percentage
2017-18 (FY18)	5,920	\$9,013	67%
2018-19 (FY19)	6,095	\$9,013	68%
2019-20 (FY20)	6,195	\$9,333	66%
2020-21 (FY21)	6,345	\$9,379	68%
2021-22 (FY22)	6,495	\$9,663	67%
2022-23 (FY23)	6,895	\$9,953	69%

Illinois MAP Grant	Maximum MAP	Tuition/Fees (based on 30 hrs.)	Percentage
2017-18 (FY18)	4,869	\$11,266	43%
2018-19 (FY19)	4,869	\$11,266	43%
2019-20 (FY20)	5,340	\$11,666	46%
2020-21 (FY21)	5,340	\$11,724	46%
2021-22 (FY22)	5,496	\$12,079	45%
2022-23 (FY23)	7,200	\$12,441	58%

Pell eligible student's graduation rate vs non-Pell eligible across Illinois

	Pell Percentage	Grad rate*	Non-Pell grad rate*	Difference
WIU	52%	51%	57%	6%
EIU	57%	57%	61%	4%
NEIU	72%	45%	46%	1%

SIU-C	37%	44%	53%	9%
SIU-E	35%	44%	53%	9%
U of I Springfield	45%	53%	54%	1%
Chicago State	80%	32%	33%	1%
*Share of students who graduated within 8 years of entering this school for the first time. https://collegescorecard.ed.gov				

Cohort Default Rate

The cohort default rate represents student borrowers who entered repayment October 1 to September 30 and defaulted on federal direct loans. Default is defined as more than 270 days delinquent. During the loan payment pause these numbers have decreased significantly but students will enter repayment again and it is imperative that we monitor and have a plan in place to address rising default rates. Institutions with higher cohort defaults can face sanctions by the Department of Education including but not limited to loss of federal student aid eligibility.

	WIU	National	Average Loan Indebtedness
2017-18 AY (FY2015)	8.4	10.8	\$25,600
2018-19 AY (FY2016)	9.5	10.1	\$24,900
2019-20 AY (FY2017)	8.8	9.7	\$23,200
2020-21 AY (FY2018)	7.9	7.3	\$22,530
2021-22 AY (FY2019)	3.2	2.3	

**Federal Student Loan payment pause 2020-2023*

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Resolution No. 23.3/1 -- Fiscal Year 2024 Tuition Recommendation

Resolution:

WHEREAS tuition is to be established annually by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees carefully considered the Fiscal Year 2024 Tuition, Fees, Housing and Dining rates; and,

WHEREAS general guidelines established by the Illinois Board of Higher Education were followed; and,

WHEREAS appropriate groups on campus were involved in the establishment of tuition for FY2024; and,

WHEREAS the rate would increase by 3.0-percent to \$326.70 per credit hour for new undergraduate students; and,

WHEREAS the rate would increase by 3.0-percent to \$374.93 per credit hour for graduate students; and,

WHEREAS Western Illinois University maintains a commitment to access and affordability:

THEREFORE be it resolved in accordance with the priorities and goals of *Higher Values in Higher Education* that the Board of Trustees approves tuition rates for FY2024 (effective Fall Semester 2023) as enumerated in the FY2024 Tuition Recommendation document which follows.

FY2024 Tuition Recommendation

	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	Proposed FY2024		
				Amount	\$ Change	% Change
<u>I. Undergraduate Students</u>						
Academic Year (Based on 30 SCH)	\$ 8,883.00	\$ 9,238.20	\$ 9,515.40	\$ 9,801.00	\$ 285.60	3.00%
Per Credit Hour	\$ 296.10	\$ 307.94	\$ 317.18	\$ 326.70	\$ 9.52	3.00%
<u>II. Graduate Students</u>						
Academic Year (Based on 24 SCH)	\$ 8,155.68	\$ 8,481.84	\$ 8,736.24	\$ 8,998.32	\$ 262.08	3.00%
Per Credit Hour	\$ 339.82	\$ 353.41	\$ 364.01	\$ 374.93	\$ 10.92	3.00%

III. Out-of-State Students - Domestic Students

New students beginning fall semester 2016 at Western Illinois University who have a permanent legal domicile within the United States of America will be assessed in-state tuition.

IV. Out-of-State Students - International Students

International students tuition will be assessed at 1.5 times the in-state rate.

V. Active Duty Military Students

United States military personnel who are, as of the official university census day each semester, serving in active duty status for the purposes other than training will be assessed the tuition rate established by the Armed Forces.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Resolution No. 23.3/2 -- Fiscal Year 2024 Housing and Dining Rates Recommendation

Resolution:

WHEREAS housing and dining rates are to be established annually by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees carefully considered the Fiscal Year 2024 Tuition, Fees, Housing and Dining rates; and,

WHEREAS general guidelines established by the Illinois Board of Higher Education were followed; and,

WHEREAS appropriate groups on campus were involved in the establishment of housing and dining rates for FY2024; and,

WHEREAS the double occupancy housing and dining rate would be an academic year increase of \$420.00 or 4.00-percent; and,

WHEREAS Western Illinois University maintains a commitment to access and affordability:

THEREFORE be it resolved in accordance with the priorities and goals of *Higher Values in Higher Education* that the Board of Trustees approves housing and dining charges for FY2024 (effective Fall Semester 2023) as enumerated in the FY2024 Housing and Dining Rates Recommendation document which follows.

FY2024 Housing and Dining Rates

	FY2021 V	FY2022 W	FY2023 X	Proposed FY 2024 - Y		
				Amount	\$ Change	% Change
HOUSING AND DINING RATES						
<u>Academic Year (Fall and Spring)</u>						
Housing and Dining - Double Occupancy	\$9,800.00	\$10,192.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,920.00	\$ 420.00	4.00%
Housing and Dining - Single Occupancy	12,500.00	13,000.00	13,394.00	\$ 13,890.00	496.00	3.70%
Housing and Dining - Super Single	12,800.00	13,312.00	13,715.00	\$ 14,220.00	505.00	3.68%
Housing and Dining - Super Double	10,400.00	10,792.00	11,100.00	\$ 11,520.00	420.00	3.78%
Housing and Dining - Suite Double	10,400.00	10,792.00	11,100.00	\$ 11,520.00	420.00	3.78%
Housing and Dining - Suite Single	15,020.00	15,580.00	16,021.00	\$ 16,560.00	539.00	3.36%
Housing and Dining - Grote Hall Double Occupancy	10,750.00	11,142.00	11,450.00	\$ 11,870.00	420.00	3.67%
Housing and Dining - Grote Hall Single Occupancy	12,488.00	12,939.50	13,295.00	\$ 13,757.50	462.50	3.48%
Housing - Double Occupancy Westbrook House	5,800.00	6,032.00	6,220.00	6,470.00	250.00	4.02%
Housing - Single Occupancy Westbrook House	7,250.00	7,540.00	7,770.00	8,090.00	320.00	4.12%
Housing - One Bedroom Unfurnished	5,900.00	6,130.00	6,320.00	6,580.00	260.00	4.11%
Housing - One Bedroom Furnished	6,300.00	6,500.00	6,700.00	6,970.00	270.00	4.03%
<u>Break Housing</u>						
¹ Acad. Year Break Housing (Thanksgiving, Winter, Spring)	\$ 430.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 470.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 10.00	2.13%
Summer Break Housing (May & August)	320.00	340.00	360.00	370.00	10.00	2.78%
<u>Summer Semester</u>						
Housing - Double Occupancy	\$ 760.00	\$ 790.00	\$ 815.00	\$ 830.00	\$ 15.00	1.84%
Housing - Single Occupancy	1,170.00	1,185.00	1,225.00	1,245.00	20.00	1.63%
Housing - Double Occupancy Westbrook House	1,160.00	1,206.40	1,244.00	1,294.00	50.00	4.02%
Housing - Single Occupancy Westbrook House	1,450.00	1,508.00	1,554.00	1,618.00	64.00	4.12%
Housing - One Bedroom Unfurnished	1,180.00	1,226.00	1,264.00	1,316.00	52.00	4.11%
Housing - One Bedroom Furnished	1,260.00	1,300.00	1,340.00	1,394.00	54.00	4.03%
<u>Additional Fees</u>						
Res Net	\$ 210.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 230.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 10.00	4.35%

¹Housing charge is divided by break session

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Resolution No. 23.3/3 -- Fiscal Year 2024 Fees Recommendation

Resolution:

WHEREAS fees are to be established annually by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees carefully considered the Fiscal Year 2024 Tuition, Fees, Housing and Dining rates; and,

WHEREAS general guidelines established by the Illinois Board of Higher Education were followed; and,

WHEREAS appropriate groups on campus were involved in the establishment of fees for FY2024; and,

WHEREAS the rate would be an increase of \$4.03 per credit hour, or 4.13-percent for Macomb campus students enrolled in face-to-face courses and extension courses; and,

WHEREAS the rate would be an increase of \$23.23 per credit hour, or 29.66-percent for Quad Cities campus students enrolled in face-to-face courses; and,

WHEREAS Western Illinois University commits to providing appropriate services to all students, regardless of campus or modality, and

WHEREAS Western Illinois University maintains a commitment to access and affordability:

THEREFORE be it resolved in accordance with the priorities and goals of *Higher Values in Higher Education* that the Board of Trustees approves fees rates for FY2024 (effective Fall Semester 2023) as enumerated in the FY2024 Fee Recommendation document which follows.

	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	Proposed FY2024		
				Amount	\$ Change	% Change
I. MANDATORY STUDENT FEE MACOMB AND EXTENSION ALLOCATIONS						
<u>Academic Year (Based on 30 SCH)</u>						
Activity	\$ 123.30	\$ 123.30	\$ 138.30	\$ 145.80	7.50	5.42%
Fine Arts Activity	66.30	66.30	66.30	66.30	-	0.00%
Athletic	530.40	530.40	530.40	543.90	13.50	2.55%
Bond Revenue	867.90	867.90	897.90	913.20	15.30	1.70%
Technology	180.00	180.00	182.70	204.30	21.60	11.82%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	636.30	636.30	651.30	681.30	30.00	4.61%
Health Center	282.30	282.30	282.30	312.30	30.00	10.63%
Publication	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
Talent Grant	40.80	40.80	40.80	40.80	-	0.00%
Transit	113.40	113.40	135.90	138.90	3.00	2.21%
Total Per Academic Year	\$ 2,840.70	\$ 2,840.70	\$ 2,925.90	\$ 3,046.80	120.90	4.13%
<u>Fall or Spring Semester Per Credit Hour</u>						
Activity	\$ 4.11	\$ 4.11	\$ 4.61	\$ 4.86	\$ 0.25	5.42%
Fine Arts Activity	2.21	2.21	2.21	2.21	-	0.00%
Athletic	17.68	17.68	17.68	18.13	0.45	2.55%
Bond Revenue	28.93	28.93	29.93	30.44	0.51	1.70%
Technology	6.00	6.00	6.09	6.81	0.72	11.82%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	21.21	21.21	21.71	22.71	1.00	4.61%
Health Center	9.41	9.41	9.41	10.41	1.00	10.63%
Publication	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
Talent Grant	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36	-	0.00%
Transit	3.78	3.78	4.53	4.63	0.10	2.21%
Total Per Credit Hour	\$ 94.69	\$ 94.69	\$ 97.53	\$ 101.56	\$ 4.03	4.13%
<u>Summer Semester Per Credit Hour</u>						
Activity	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.95	\$ 3.11	\$ 0.16	5.44%
Fine Arts Activity	1.41	1.41	1.41	1.41	0.00	0.00%
Athletic	11.32	11.32	11.32	11.60	0.28	2.50%
Bond Revenue	18.52	18.52	19.16	19.48	0.32	1.68%
Technology	3.84	3.84	3.90	4.36	0.46	11.75%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	13.58	13.58	13.89	14.53	0.64	4.64%
Health Center	6.02	6.02	6.02	6.66	0.64	10.67%
Publication	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
Talent Grant	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.00	0.05%
Transit	2.42	2.42	2.90	2.96	0.06	2.18%
Total Per Credit Hour	\$ 60.61	\$ 60.61	\$ 62.42	\$ 65.00	\$ 2.58	4.13%

	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2023</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FY2024</u> <u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
II. Mandatory Student Fee Quad Cities Allocations						
<u>Academic Year (Based on 30 SCH)</u>						
Activity	\$ 131.70	\$ 131.70	\$ 131.70	\$ 131.70	\$ -	0.00%
Technology	150.30	150.30	150.30	150.30	-	0.00%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	318.00	318.00	318.00	318.00	-	0.00%
Publication	20.40	20.40	20.40	20.40	-	0.00%
Talent Grant	72.60	72.60	72.60	72.60	-	0.00%
Transit	140.10	140.10	140.10	140.10	-	0.00%
Other Mandatory Fees	<u>436.80</u>	<u>976.80</u>	<u>1,516.80</u>	<u>2,213.70</u>	<u>696.90</u>	45.95%
Total Per Academic Year	\$ 1,269.90	\$ 1,809.90	\$ 2,349.90	\$ 3,046.80	\$ 696.90	29.66%
<u>Fall or Spring Semester Per Credit Hour</u>						
Activity	\$ 4.39	\$ 4.39	\$ 4.39	\$ 4.39	\$ -	0.00%
Technology	5.01	5.01	5.01	5.01	\$ -	0.00%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.60	\$ -	0.00%
Publication	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68	\$ -	0.00%
Talent Grant	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	\$ -	0.00%
Transit	4.67	4.67	4.67	4.67	\$ -	0.00%
Other Mandatory Fees	<u>14.56</u>	<u>32.56</u>	<u>50.56</u>	<u>73.79</u>	<u>\$ 23.23</u>	45.95%
Total Per Credit Hour	\$ 42.33	\$ 60.33	\$ 78.33	\$ 101.56	\$ 23.23	29.66%
<u>Summer Semester Per Credit Hour</u>						
Activity	\$ 2.81	\$ 2.81	\$ 2.81	\$ 2.81	\$ -	0.00%
Technology	3.21	3.21	3.21	3.21	-	0.00%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	6.78	6.78	6.78	6.78	-	0.00%
Publication	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	-	0.00%
Talent Grant	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55	-	0.00%
Transit	2.99	2.99	2.99	2.99	-	0.00%
Other Mandatory Fees	<u>9.32</u>	<u>20.84</u>	<u>32.36</u>	<u>47.23</u>	<u>14.87</u>	45.95%
Total Per Credit Hour	\$ 27.10	\$ 38.62	\$ 50.14	\$ 65.01	\$ 14.87	29.66%

III. Orientation Fee

A non-refundable orientation fee is assessed the first semester a student enrolls at Western Illinois University. This fee is increasing from \$100 for first year students and \$50 for transfer students to \$150. Undergraduate international students (\$15) and graduate international students (\$75) will remain unchanged.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Resolution No. 23.3/4 -- International Union of Operating Engineers, AFL-CIO Local Union No. 399 – Landscape Maintenance 2022-2023 Bargaining Agreement

Resolution:

WHEREAS Western Illinois University Board of Trustees must approve collective bargaining agreements prior to implementation; and,

WHEREAS an agreement was reached on March 3, 2023 and was ratified on March 3, 2023 by the IUOE Local 399 – Landscape Maintenance

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the agreement as presented.

International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 399 – Landscape Maintenance

An agreement was reached on March 3, 2023 and was ratified on March 3, 2023 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, with the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 399 – Landscape Maintenance representing approximately 11 employees.

Wage Settlement

The parties agreed to a two percent (2%) wage increase for Fiscal Year 2023. The wage increase will be retroactive back to July 1, 2022.

Addendum A – Wages have been updated to reflect agreed upon increases.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Resolution No. 23.3/5 -- Fiscal Year 2024 Student Health Insurance Fee
Recommendation

Resolution:

WHEREAS, Western Illinois University has reviewed the Student Health Insurance options for Western Illinois University students; and

WHEREAS, Western Illinois University proposes that the Student Health Insurance rates increase with Fiscal Year 2024 at \$1,052.00 per half year or \$2,104.00 per full year; and

WHEREAS, special provisions have been made for students attending outside the designated terms of August 1 to January 31 and February 1 to July 31; and

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the Western Illinois University Student Health Insurance Program rate for Fiscal Year 2024 as proposed.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24th, 2023

Resolution No. 23.3/6 -- Election of Vice Chair of the Board for March 24,
2023-June 30, 2023

Resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 35-25 of Senate Bill 241 states:

“Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary”; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees Bylaws, Section VII.A.1., stipulates:

A Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary who shall be voting members of the Board. The Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary shall be elected annually by secret ballot by a majority of the voting members of the Board then serving and shall hold office until their successors are elected. Trustees who are elected to serve as the Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary may be elected to those positions for one successive term, after which an intervening term must occur before re-election to the same officer position. The Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary may be removed from office during a term by the affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members of the Board then serving. Vacancies in these offices shall be filled by election for the remainder of the unexpired term

(History of Officers of the Board Attached)

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees at its July 25, 1997, meeting, agreed to elect officers in conjunction with the fiscal year; and the Western Illinois University fiscal year is July 1-June 30;

WHEREAS, the Vice Chair position is currently vacant.;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the person elected at the March 24, 2023 meeting of the Board of Trustees shall serve as the Vice Chair of the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees for March 24, 2023-June 30, 2023.

**WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HISTORY - OFFICERS OF THE BOARD**

January 1 - June 30, 1996

Chair	Gretchen Winter
Vice Chair	Lorraine Epperson
Secretary	Dexter Yarbrough

July 1, 1996 - June 30, 1997

Chair	Gretchen Winter
Vice Chair	Lorraine Epperson
Secretary	Dexter Yarbrough

July 1, 1997 - June 30, 1998

Chair	Lorraine Epperson
Vice Chair	C. Robert Leininger
Secretary	Dexter Yarbrough
Member At Large	Maureen Schuering

July 1, 1998 - June 30, 1999

Chair	Lorraine Epperson
Vice Chair	C. Robert Leininger
Secretary	Dexter Yarbrough
Member At Large	Maureen Schuering

July 1, 1999 - June 30, 2000

Chair	Lorraine Epperson
Vice Chair	C. Robert Leininger
Secretary	Dexter Yarbrough
Member At Large	Maureen Schuering

July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001

Chair	Carolyn J. Ehlert
Vice Chair	Dexter Yarbrough (until 1/15/01; no Vice Chair 1/15/01-6/30/01)
Secretary	J. Michael Houston
Member At Large	George J. Guzzardo

July 1, 2001 - June 30, 2002

Chair	Carolyn J. Ehlert
Vice Chair	Zack Stamp
Secretary	J. Michael Houston

July 1, 2002 - June 30, 2003

Chair Zack Stamp
Vice Chair J. Michael Houston
Secretary Dace Richardson

July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004

Chair Zack Stamp
(until 1/16/04)
J. Michael Houston
(1/16/04-6/30/04)
Vice Chair J. Michael Houston
(until 1/16/04/04; then became Chair)
Dace E. Richardson
(3/5/04-6/30/04)
Secretary Dace E. Richardson
(until 3/5/04; then became Vice Chair)
Trish K. Hammond
(3/5/04-6/30/04)

July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005

Chair J. Michael Houston
Vice Chair Dace E. Richardson
Secretary William L. Epperly

July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006

Chair J. Michael Houston
Vice Chair Dace E. Richardson
(until 11/3/05; no Vice Chair 11/4/05-6/30/06)
Secretary William L. Epperly

July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

Chair William L. Epperly
Vice Chair Steven L. Nelson
Secretary Robert J. Cook

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

Chair William L. Epperly
Vice Chair Steven L. Nelson
Secretary Robert J. Cook (until 5/22/08)

July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009

Chair Steven L. Nelson
Vice Chair J. Michael Houston
Secretary Donald W. "Bill" Griffin

July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

Chair Steven L. Nelson
Vice Chair J. Michael Houston
Secretary Donald W. "Bill" Griffin

July 1, 2010 – September 30, 2011

Chair J. Michael Houston
Vice Chair Carolyn Ehlert Fuller
Secretary William L. Epperly

October 1, 2011 – October 24, 2011

Chair Carolyn Ehlert Fuller
Vice Chair William L. Epperly
Secretary Steven L. Nelson

October 25, 2011 – December 16, 2011

Interim Chair William L. Epperly
Vice Chair Vacant
Interim Secretary Donald W. "Bill" Griffin

December 17, 2011 – June 30, 2012

Chair William L. Epperly
Vice Chair J. Michael Houston
Secretary Donald W. "Bill" Griffin

July 1, 2012 – February 24, 2013

Chair William L. Epperly
Vice Chair Carolyn Ehlert Fuller
Secretary Donald W. "Bill" Griffin

February 25, 2013 – June 30, 2013

Chair William L. Epperly
Vice Chair Carolyn Ehlert Fuller
Acting Secretary Cathy Early

July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

Chair Cathy Early
Vice Chair Carolyn Ehlert Fuller
Secretary Lyneir Cole

July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Chair Cathy Early
Vice Chair Roger Clawson
Secretary Phil Hare

July 1, 2015 – February 20, 2016

Chair Roger Clawson
Vice Chair Yvonne Savala
Secretary Phil Hare

February 21, 2016 – March 11, 2016

Chair Roger Clawson
Vice Chair Yvonne Savala
Acting Secretary Michael Quigley

March 12, 2016 – June 30, 2016

Chair Roger Clawson
Vice Chair Yvonne Savala
Secretary Michael Quigley

July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Chair Cathy Early
Vice Chair Yvonne Savala
Secretary Roger Clawson

July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

Chair Cathy Early
Vice Chair Steven Nelson
Secretary Roger Clawson

July 1, 2018 – March 28, 2019

Chair Carolyn Ehlert Fuller
Vice Chair Yvonne Savala
Secretary Todd Lester

March 29, 2019 – June 30, 2019

Chair Greg Aguilar
Vice Chair Nick Padgett
Secretary Jackie Thompson

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Chair Polly Radosh
Vice Chair Doug Shaw (Oct 2019 replaced Nick Padgett)
Secretary Justin Brown (Oct 2019 replaced Jackie Thompson)

July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

Chair Polly Radosh
Vice Chair Doug Shaw
Secretary Justin Brown

July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

Chair	Doug Shaw
Vice Chair	Erik Dolieslager
Secretary	Kisha Lang