

**LOCATION:** Bloomington-Normal, IL  
Less than one mile away from Illinois State University  
Private, Liberal Arts, Undergraduate only

**ENROLLMENT:** ~1,700

**AVERAGE CLASS SIZE:** 16

**AVERAGE LAB SIZE:** 13

**STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO:** 11-1

**AVERAGE ACT:** 24-29 is 25%-75%

**AVERAGE SAT:** 1140-1280 is 25%-75%

**WEIGHTED GPA:** 3.8

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR:** 4-4-1

Two four-month semesters August-April and one optional May Term course

**90%** of IWU graduates completed their degree(s) in 4 years  
IWU's 8 year graduation rate is 82%

(College Scorecard, U.S. Dept. of Ed., 2020)

**90%** of first-year students return for their second year

(College Scorecard, U.S. Dept. of Ed., 2020)

**STUDY ABROAD:** 700+ cities in over 70 countries

**No. #7 IN THE NATION AND #1 IN ILLINOIS**  
for "The Best Colleges for Getting a Job"

(College Scorecard, U.S. Dept. of Ed., 2020)

**97%** of 2019 graduates are employed or in grad school

6 months after graduation

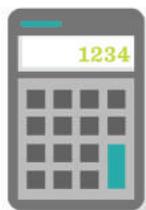
(First Destination Survey, 2019)

**NCAA DIVISION III ATHLETICS:**

24 Varsity Sports Teams, 7 national championship winners since 2008  
133 Academic All-Americans, top 30 among NCAA colleges and universities



**Get a quick and  
easy estimate!**



By spending three minutes answering six simple questions, prospective students and their families can easily discover that an Illinois Wesleyan University education is a realistic financial fit through the **MyinTuition Quick College Cost Estimator**  
[www.iwu.edu/financial-aid/calculators.html](http://www.iwu.edu/financial-aid/calculators.html)

## HOW TO APPLY

[iwu.edu/apply](http://iwu.edu/apply)

**We accept the Common Application**  
**No Application Fee**

TEST OPTIONAL FOR 2021

IWU Financial Aid Application optional, no application fee

**Early Action Deadline:** November 15, decision by December 15

**Regular Decision Deadline:** March 15, application closes May 1

Refer to our website: [iwu.edu/apply](http://iwu.edu/apply)

for information about the application process and requirements.

### Academic Recommendations

Full four years of the core courses: English, Math, Natural Science, and History/Social Science

Three years of a second language recommended

IWU students have a three semester foreign language requirement, however, students who have taken a second language in high school have the opportunity to place out of part or all of the requirement by taking a brief assessment prior to freshman course registration.

For a complete list go to: [iwu.edu/majors](http://iwu.edu/majors)

### Accounting & Finance

Unlike most traditional four-year colleges — where students may face as much as an extra year of coursework to meet the 150 hours required to take the CPA exam in most states — at Illinois Wesleyan, through careful planning, accounting students typically meet the requirement within four years with no overloading. Accounting majors at IWU may apply for a full-time 10-week spring internship during their Junior year. Participating students remain on track to graduate in four years and have often secured a job by the end of this program.

### Art

Illinois Wesleyan's School of Art offers two art degrees. The Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) is the professional degree for the visual arts and the field of graphic design and the Bachelor of Arts (BA) works well for students seeking to double major. Professors push students to expand their visual boundaries and to think outside the box in a rapidly changing digital and physical world.

### Biology

With excellent research opportunities and hands-on lab time, approximately 80% of IWU's biology graduates continue their education in medical or graduate programs, attending institutions such as the University of Chicago, University of Pennsylvania, Yale University and Duke University.

### Business

We offer programs and concentrations in accounting, business administration, finance, marketing, management, entrepreneurship, international business, and risk management. State Farm Insurance Headquarters is also located in Bloomington, IL — a great opportunity for internships, jobs, networking, and mentorship opportunities — plus the past two CEOs of State Farm are IWU alums!

### Computer Science

Illinois Wesleyan's computer science program provides a foundational approach to computing within the context of a liberal arts curriculum. Besides a firm grasp of the required technical skills, this approach offers our computer science students the valuable ability to see the connections between computing and societal/organizational needs, issues, and problems, giving them a real leg up in the job market. Our alumni have gone on to pursue careers as analysts, software developers for companies like Google, and much more!

### Music

Music majors have opportunities to perform in solo, chamber, and ensemble settings beginning their first semester at IWU. The Collegiate Choir, Jazz Ensemble, and Wind Ensemble tour extensively within the United States and across the globe. Majors within the School of Music include composition, music education, music performance (classical guitar, instrumental, piano, strings, vocal) and our newest offerings: string performance and pedagogy.

### Physics

The physics curriculum at Illinois Wesleyan is as much of a hands-on, experiment-based investigation as it is a theoretical discipline. All of our physics faculty offer the opportunity for students to work alongside them in their research (including observational and experimental cosmology, laser-based research, atomic collisions, optics, and much more!) or students may choose to pursue individual research projects. With top notch facilities and equipment at their disposal, our physics graduates leave prepared for careers such as scientists, professors, engineers, and physicists.

### Pre-Engineering

The intellectual discipline and technical/research skills our students develop while at Illinois Wesleyan University allow them to outperform students who directly enter traditional engineering programs. This makes them more adaptable as they encounter new technology and emerging opportunities. IWU students also receive the benefits of a broad, liberal arts education, which, in contrast with traditional engineering curricula, constitutes a significant marketable edge for our students, imparting the vital skills needed for argumentative writing, effective reporting, and for putting their work into a larger social context. Graduates of 3-2 engineering programs like ours generally advance rapidly in their careers because of their unique perspective and intellectual flexibility.

### Pre-Medicine

Students interested in pursuing a career in health care (whether medicine, dentistry, physical or occupational therapy, or veterinary medicine) have the wonderful opportunity to study the sciences at IWU. With outstanding opportunities for undergraduate research, internships and externships, and personalized attention from faculty in the lab, our students are exceptionally well-prepared for their postgraduate plans. Students receive major-specific academic advising as well as healthcare-specific career advice from our health and biology careers advisor. Our students do very well on the MCAT, scoring several percentage points higher than the national average, and are accepted to medical school at rates upwards of 80% — significantly better than the national average.

### Psychology

Psychology majors have the opportunity to participate in undergraduate research, either self-directed or with a faculty member. IWU's psychology facilities include seven different labs, two observation rooms and a psychophysiology room. Many of our students go on to publish their work or present at conferences around the Midwest and the nation.