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TOP-RATED
Northwestern consistently receives top honors for academic excellence, Christian commitment, campus life and safety, graduate success, and value.

135+ academic programs

100% of students receive financial aid
- Academic scholarships from $10,000 to $14,000
- Scholarships for athletics, music, theatre, leadership and more
- Bridge Scholarships for students from underrepresented populations

Largest majors
- Nursing
- Elementary Education
- Exercise Science
- Biology-Health Professions
- Secondary Education
- Business-Finance
- Business-Management
- Business-Marketing
- Business Administration
- Psychology
- Accounting

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STANDOUTS

- 100% first-time board pass rate for 2023 nursing grads
- 100% first-time pass rate on national certification exam by NWC’s 2023 physician assistant graduates
- 3 of 5 candidates who passed the South Dakota CPA exam on their first try in 2023 were NWC grads
- 80% first-time admit rate for Northwestern medical school applicants
- TOP 5 finish—worldwide—among teams competing in the international Business Strategy Game
- TOP 5 college for NAIA student-athletes

2023-24 QUICK FACTS
Northwestern College is a Christian academic community engaging students in courageous and faithful learning and living that empowers them to follow Christ and pursue God’s redeeming work in the world.
CURRENT RAIDERS
TOTAL ENROLLMENT 1,715

- Undergraduate: 1,162
- Grad: 543
- NEXT Program: 10

11% U.S. students of color (undergraduate)
5% International students (undergraduate, from 23 countries)
310 New students (freshmen and transfers)

Top home states of undergrads
- Iowa
- South Dakota
- Minnesota
- Nebraska
- California
- Wisconsin
- Colorado
- Washington
- Illinois
- Missouri

More than 15,600 alumni reside in 59 countries and all 50 states (with 44% living in Iowa).

FAITH + COMMITMENT
43% of undergrads participate in short-term missions during their time at NWC
400+ students gather weekly for small-group opportunities
“BEST for spiritual enrichment” — Christianity Today
41 church denominations represented by NWC undergrads
87% of graduates report they are actively involved in church and service

Giving + finances
Endowment $69.8 million
Total giving $8.3 million
NW Fund giving $1.42 million
NW Fund gifts of $1,000+ 85%
Board of Trustees participation 100%

Northwestern’s Graduate School & Adult Learning

Online programs
- Master of Education
- Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- Master of Arts in School Counseling
- Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood
- Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood + Teaching Licensure
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN)
- Graduate-level education endorsements
- Graduate certificates in teacher leadership and teaching history
- Certificates in legal interpreting and medical interpreting

On-campus program
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NORTHWESTERN’S CLASS OF 2022
- 99% employed or in grad school within six months of earning a degree
- Living in 22 states, D.C., and 2 countries
- 16% are in graduate school
- Salaries
  - Average: $44,575
  - Max: $71,500

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