A nationally recognized liberal arts college in one of the country’s most attractive places . . .

. . . a close-knit campus in a charming town, access to ample opportunities and resources . . .

. . . where students’ desire to learn is matched only by their respect for one another.

Whitman College

Walla Walla, Washington
academic excellence +

To get the best of the liberal arts in an engaging curriculum that extends beyond the classroom . . .
As you might expect from one of the country’s best liberal arts colleges, Whitman offers small, seminar-style classes, outstanding resources and facilities, and a faculty of top scholars committed to teaching and conducting research with undergraduates. Then there’s all the rest that makes Whitman unique:

**Whitman’s Encounters, a two-semester course for all first-year students, creates a foundation for the collaborative classroom style that is one of Whitman’s hallmarks. Additionally, Whitman was the first college—and remains among the few—to require all seniors to complete a culminating oral comprehensive exam in their major.**

**Whitman funds more than a hundred internship grants per year:** Additionally, last year, students won 53 outside fellowships and grants to support research, study, and humanitarian endeavors from institutions including the U.S. Department of State, the National Science Foundation, and the German Academic Exchange Service. On campus, the Student Engagement Center is a one-stop shop for access to internship, community service, and career development opportunities.

**Graduates leave Whitman well prepared for life after college—collecting an impressive share of the world’s top fellowships along the way.** Since 2006, Whitman students have won 12 Watson, 25 National Science Foundation, and 62 Fulbright Fellowships, among many other distinctions.

**Student-to-faculty ratio:**
8:1

**Average class size:**
16

**Percent of students who study abroad:**
40

**Percent graduating within five years:**
87

**Percent employed, attending grad school, or performing national service within six months of graduation:**
92

**Percent attending grad school within five years:**
65
down-to-earth Northwest culture +

to combine a love of learning with a passion for fun in a collaborative environment . . .
No other college can offer all this: a spectacular Pacific Northwest location, ready access to outdoor opportunities, a faculty of world-class teacher/researchers, a community of down-to-earth yet ambitious peers, an impressive campus in an award-winning town, more than 100 student organizations, and 42 varsity, club, and intramural sports teams—plus nearly 275 days of sunshine each year.

An oasis of green in southeastern Washington, the town of Walla Walla is a beacon for the nation’s top young scholars and wine enthusiasts alike. The climate here, perfect for growing grapes, has made the region a hot spot for tourism. The Princeton Review’s Best 380 Colleges: 2016 Edition ranked Whitman in the top 20 in 11 categories—making Whitman one of the institutions most frequently cited by the Review. Celebrated categories include “Their Students Love These Colleges,” “Happiest Students,” “Lots of Race/Class Interaction,” “Best Quality of Life,” “Best Health Services,” “Easiest Campus to Get Around,” and “Most Accessible Professors.” Forbes magazine (2015) ranked Whitman 21st among liberal arts colleges and 8th in the West.

Whitman’s superb academic programs are balanced by outstanding cocurricular options. Eighty percent of students participate in organized sports at some level, and the Outdoor Program offerings are among the country’s most extensive. Whitman students enjoy particularly strong programs in theatre, music, and debate.

Library hours:
24/7

Student-to-tree ratio on campus:
1:1

Things to rent through Whitman’s Outdoor Program (including skis, frame-packs, and kayaks):
100+

Acres of Whitman-owned land per student (really):
15
... and to enjoy diverse activities with friendly and supportive peers...
...there may be no better place.

Whitman College
Whitman Facts

Character
Founded in 1882, Whitman is a four-year, coeducational, independent liberal arts college conferring the Bachelor of Arts degree.

Enrollment
Students (all undergraduates): 1,470
States represented: 43
Countries represented: 28
Students of color: 21%
Non-U.S. citizens: 5%
First-generation college students: 10%
From public schools: 70%
From independent schools: 30%

Academic Profile, Class of ’20
Number of applicants: 3,747
Students admitted: 1,913
Entering students: 410
Middle 50 percent:
SAT critical reading: 620 to 730
SAT math: 610 to 720
SAT writing: 620 to 670
ACT: 28 to 32

Faculty
164 full-time faculty members; 8:1 student-to-faculty ratio; 91 percent of tenure-track faculty hold a Ph.D. or terminal degree in their field.

Visiting
Visitors are welcome almost any day of the year. Sign up online at visit.whitman.edu to schedule a visit, get directions, or arrange an overnight stay.

Majors
Anthropology*
Art*
Art History and Visual Culture Studies*
Asian Studies
Astronomy*
Biotechnology
Biophysics and Molecular Biology
Biology
Biology*
Biology-Environmental Studies
Biology-Geology
Chemistry*
Chemistry-Environmental Studies
Chemistry-Geology
Classical Studies
Classics*
Economics*
Economics-Environmental Studies
Economics-Mathematics
English*
Environmental Studies
Film and Media Studies*
French*
Gender Studies*
Geology*
Geology-Astronomy
Geology-Environmental Studies
Geology-Physics
German Studies*
History*
Mathematics*
Mathematics-Physics
Music*
Philosophy*
Physics*
Physics-Astronomy
Physics-Environmental Studies
Politics*
Politics-Environmental Studies
Psychology*
Race and Ethnic Studies*
Religion*
Rhetoric Studies*
Sociology*
Sociology-Environmental Studies
Spanish*
Theatre*

Minors
In addition to the minors above, Whitman offers minors in:
Chinese
Computer Science
Japanese
Latin American Studies
World Literature

Athletics
Whitman is a member of the NCAA Division III and the Northwest Conference. It fields 15 varsity sports teams, including men’s and women’s teams in basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, swimming, and tennis, as well as baseball for men, and lacrosse and volleyball for women. Whitman’s 19 club teams and 9 intramural leagues are open to all.

2016-2017 Costs
Tuition and Fees: $47,490
ASWC (student association): $368
Room and Board: $12,020
Books and Supplies (est.): $1,400
Total Cost: $61,278

Financial Aid
Nearly 75 percent of Whitman students receive some form of financial aid. In 2015-2016, Whitman’s average need-based aid package, which included scholarships, loans, and work-study, was $34,487. Merit scholarships are available to qualified applicants.

Whitman on the Web
To find links on academics, cocurriculars, visiting, applying, and anything else you might want to know, visit us at www.whitman.edu.

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