Welcome to Western Illinois University and the College of Business and Technology

Dr. Thomas Ereksen, Dean
Dr. John Drea, Associate Dean
Chris Ramsey, Director of Advising
Undergraduate Enrollment: 2,225
Graduate Enrollment: 250
Undergraduate Degree Programs: 19
Graduate Degree Programs: 5
Alumni: 24,000
Faculty: 125 in 7 Academic Departments
Student-Faculty ratio: 22 to 1

AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business)
  Accreditation in Accountancy and all Business majors

ABET Accredited (Accreditation Board for Engineering Technology)
  Engineering Program

ATMAE Accredited (The Association of Technology, Management and Applied
  Engineering) Construction Management and Engineering Technology

Locations: Macomb, Quad Cities and Online
Opportunities for Study Abroad: Absolutely!
Prospects for Internships: Definitely!
College of Business and Technology
Degrees and Majors

Bachelor of Arts degree
- Economics

Bachelor of Business degrees
- Accountancy
- Economics
- Finance
- Human Resource Management
- Management
- Marketing
- Supply Chain Management

Bachelor of Science degrees
- Computer Science
  Options:
  - Traditional
  - Business
- Information Systems
- Network Technologies

Bachelor of Science degrees continued
- Agriculture
  Occupational Clusters:
  - Agricultural Business
  - Agricultural Education
  - Agricultural Science
  - Agricultural Technology Management
  - Agronomy
  - Animal Science
  - Conservation
  - Farm Operations
  - Horticulture
  - Urban Forestry

  Pre-Professional programs
  - Pre-Agricultural Engineering
  - Pre-Forestry
  - Pre-Veterinary

- Construction Management
- Engineering final two years in Moline
- Engineering Technology
- Graphic Communication
Accounting

• Beta Alpha Psi has been designated as a superior chapter for 25 consecutive years (for ACCT, FIN and IS majors).
• Integrated Bachelors/Masters program allows students to move toward 150 hour requirement to sit for CPA exam.
• Exceeds both state and national averages for the CPA exam pass rate.
• $1000 scholarship is awarded to new freshmen with 25 or higher ACT ($500 FL and $500 FL 2nd year – in addition to other scholarships).
• 300 accounting majors between the Macomb and Moline campuses.
Agriculture

• 300 acre farm where students are actively engaged and see best practices.
• Livestock judging team represents WIU in national competitions.
• Alternative Crop Research Program.
• The largest student operated Ag Expo in the country with over 160+ vendors and 6,000 attendees annually.
• One of two universities in Illinois with a program in Urban Forestry.
• 45% increase in the number of majors in the last 10 years. Consistently in the “Top 5” of majors on campus.
Engineering

• Newest ABET accredited Engineering program in Illinois.
• **123 hour** engineering degree with tracks for mechanical, civil, materials, quality/manufacturing, robotics/automation and engineering mgt.
• Designed to meet the needs of transfer students with final two years at the Quad Cities campus.
• Students must pass the Fundamentals of Engineering Exam to graduate (all students have passed).
• Internship and a two semester senior design project.
• 50% increase since 2012.
Supply Chain Management

- SCM includes functions like purchasing, transportation, inventory, and warehousing, and coordinating these areas to lower costs and improve productivity.

- One of only three SCM undergraduate degrees in Illinois.
- An SCM internship is required.
- 47% increase since 2010.
- Near 100% placement of graduates in the SCM field.
Opportunities to Grow

• Study Abroad
• Getting Involved in Student Organizations
• Volunteer opportunities:
  Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Habitat for Humanity, Big Pink Volleyball for Breast Cancer Awareness, Angel Tree, Sand Bagging for Flood Assistance, and many more.
• Fourth consecutive year named to the Presidential Honor Roll for Community of Service
• First contact for information and help.
• Students meet with advisor every semester.
• Registration assistance
• Degree Plan questions
• Policy questions
• Good source for information – study skills, tutoring, career fair, student activities, study abroad, etc.
• Students don’t get “lost” in the system.
Spotlight on Your Students!

• Finance internship with Edward D. Jones – Derek (Fin) from Schaumburg HS

• Centennial Honors College – Tim (Econ) from Schaumburg HS

• Participation in the European Study Abroad program – Bryan (IS) from Prospect HS

• Active in Greek social and honor organizations – Ben (CS) from John Hersey; Nicholas (Mktg) and Adam (HRM) from Elk Grove; Mallory (Mktg) and Bryan (IS) from Prospect; Gavin (Mktg) from James B. Conant; Kristina (Mktg) from William Fremd and Sean (Mktg) from Schaumburg HS

• Football recruits: Devin (Mktg) from Prospect and Josh (Engr) from Palatine Township HS
Why Choose WIU?

• Small class sizes – students are not a number, but still a large school feel.
• Foreign language global issues requirement can be met with a non-language class.
• Students enter as Pre-Business majors and when declaration requirements are met there is no limit on student admittance.
• Far enough from home to be independent.
• Required advising with professional advisors.
• Opportunities to get involved.
• Sense of community and holding doors.
How Can High Schools Best Prepare Students?

- Math, Math, Math!
  Even during senior year, when not needed for high school graduation
- Dual credit courses
- AP courses

Link for this presentation at: http://www.wiu.edu/cbt/advising/current.php