

Wabash College

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CAMPUS LIFE

Quality of Life Rating	80
Fire Safety Rating	86
Green Rating	65
Type of school	private
Environment	village

STUDENTS

Total undergrad enrollment	901
% male/female	100/0
% from out of state	26
% frosh from public high school	91
% frosh live on campus	100
% ugrads live on campus	87
# of fraternities	9
# of sororities	0
% African American	6
% Asian	1
% Caucasian	76
% Hispanic	5
% Native American	1
% international	7
# of countries represented	12

ACADEMICS

Academic Rating	96
% students returning for sophomore year	86
% students graduating within 4 years	69
% students graduating within 6 years	73
Calendar	Semester
Student/faculty ratio	10:1
Profs interesting rating	98
Profs accessible rating	97
Most classes have 10–19 students.	
Most lab/discussion sessions have fewer than 10 students.	

MOST POPULAR MAJORS

foreign languages; biology; English language and literature

SPECIAL STUDY OPTIONS

Double major, independent study, internships, liberal arts/career combination, study abroad, teacher certification program, Student designed majors, minors, or areas of concentration. Immersion Learning courses are offered, which involve travel domestically and abroad.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

There are still all-male liberal arts colleges out there, and Wabash College is among the last and the best of them. Wabash College is one of just three remaining men's liberal arts colleges in the nation. Even so, Wabash's solid reputation and even more solid endowment ensure that the tradition of quality, single-sex education will continue into the foreseeable future. Academically, a flexible curriculum and rigorous academic programs define the Wabash experience. With a student body of fewer than 1,000 students, the school boasts an excellent student-to-teacher ratio of 10:1. First-rate professors and a hands-on administration enhance the Wabash experience, along with special programs designed to complement classroom learning with real-world experience. For example, the school's Immersion Learning Courses allow students to link their classroom work to a seven- to ten-day trip within the United States or overseas, at no additional cost to the student.

Wabash students adhere to the elegant Gentleman's Rule, which simply requires them to behave as responsible students both on and off campus. Though the student body has grown more diverse in recent years, Wabash men are typically very bright, very ambitious, and very conservative. Not all are religious, but those who are take their faith very seriously. Weeknights at Wabash are all about academics, while weekends are filled with parties. Life at Wabash is very Greek-oriented—half of students belong to a fraternity. Purdue, Ball State, Butler, and Indiana University are all nearby, should students crave the occasional getaway, and women from neighboring schools often travel to the Wabash campus on the weekends. Hometown Crawfordsville is small—home to only 15,000 permanent residents—but Indianapolis is less than 50 miles to the southeast.

BANG FOR YOUR BUCK

The school can afford to distribute aid generously. Admissions are based on academic ability, not ability to pay. At Wabash, nearly 100 percent of student financial need is met. Merit-based aid is also plentiful. Wabash's Top-10 Scholarship Program provides four-year, renewable, merit-based scholarships to students who rank in the top 10 percent of their high school class. Famously, the school offers \$2.5 million worth of competitive academic scholarships on its Honor Scholarship Weekend, during which students travel to the school to take a series competitive exams with other prospective students. There are also merit-based scholarships for students who demonstrate exceptional character and excellence in leadership, such as the Lilly Award, which covers the full cost of tuition and room and board.

STUDENTS

901

undergrad enrollment

100% Male
0% Female

ADMISSIONS

1,331 applicants → 67% admitted → 28% enrolled → 48 ADMISSIONS → 88% accepted

3.6

avg. high school gpa

22–28

reading
math
writing

510–620
530–655
480–590

0 ACT range 36

200 SAT range 800

GRADUATION RATES

69% of students graduating within 4 yrs

73% of students graduating within 6 yrs

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STUDENT BODY

A typical Wabash student “is an athlete who is willing to work long hours to get good grades.” “Studious, eager to learn and to get work done, [and] serious about school,” students here are “almost treated like peers by professors.” “Everyone at Wabash works very hard and benefits from the rigorous academic requirements.” “Lower-class to upper-class backgrounds allow for a variety of perspectives and previous educations.” Regardless of where they hail from, “students embrace the backgrounds of their classmates and work together to learn.” Others say, “It’s an all-male college, but that’s where the universal attributes end.” “There could stand to be some more ethnic diversity”; however, others say, “I think that’s got more to with self-selection than anything else.” “The library is packed Sunday through Thursday evening.”

Why Students Love Wabash College

“After four years at Wabash College, any man can be transformed into a gentleman and a scholar and be more prepared for life after college than any other student.”

WHY STUDENTS LOVE WABASH COLLEGE

“It is a powerful, small school that changes lives.” So says one alumnus. It’s an oft-repeated theme among students there, who tout Wabash as a place that turns boys into refined, thoughtful, and intelligent gentlemen. Students like that Wabash is a “prestigious college with a very intellectually stimulating environment.” Wabash students take their academics seriously, and the school meets them head-on with challenging academics—but students don’t fear failure. “The professors are helpful and teach very well,” one polled student said. “The courses are tough, but the amount of help the professors provide makes them passable.” Students appreciate that Wabash has “the best academic atmosphere of any place that I visited for college” and “the best professors in the nation,” a sentiment aired repeatedly by alumni.

GENERAL INFO

Activities: Choral groups, concert band, drama/theater, jazz band, literary magazine, music ensembles, pep band, radio station, student government, student newspaper, student-run film society, **Organizations:** 65 registered organizations, 7 honor societies, 5 religious organizations. 9 fraternities. **Athletics (Intercollegiate):** *Men:* Baseball, basketball, cross-country, diving, football, golf, soccer, swimming, tennis, track/field (outdoor), track/field (indoor), wrestling. **On-Campus Highlights:** Allen Athletics and Recreation Center, Wabash Chapel, Hays Hall, Trippet Hall, Lilly Library, Malcolm X Institute of Black Studies. **Environmental Initiatives:** Campus-wide recycling. Environmental Concerns Committee driving LEED Certification. Green bikes.

BOTTOM LINE

Few students pay the full cost of attendance at Wabash. Most students receive generous aid packages in the form of loans and scholarships, drastically offsetting the price. Therefore, most undergraduates pay just a fraction of the estimated \$45,000 cost to attend (which includes \$35,000 tuition and \$8,510 for room and board, plus other expenses.)

SELECTIVITY

Admissions Rating	85
# of applicants	1,331
% of applicants accepted	67
% of acceptees attending	28
# offered a place on the wait list	93
% accepting a place on wait list	90
% admitted from wait list	1
# of early decision applicants	48
% accepted early decision	88

FRESHMAN PROFILE

Range SAT Critical Reading	510–620
Range SAT Math	530–655
Range SAT Writing	480–590
Range ACT Composite	22–28
Minimum paper TOEFL	550
Average HS GPA	3.6
% graduated top 10% of class	37
% graduated top 25% of class	70
% graduated top 50% of class	94

DEADLINES

Regular deadline	12/1
Nonfall registration	Yes

Facilities

Housing: Special housing for disabled students, men’s dorms, fraternity/sorority housing, college-owned houses and apartments. **Special Academic Facilities/Equipment:** Malcolm X Institute of Black Studies, two art galleries, language lab, electron microscope. **Computers:** 100% of classrooms, 100% of dorms, 100% of libraries, 100% of dining areas, 100% of student union, 100% of common outdoor areas have wireless network access.

FINANCIAL FACTS

Financial Aid Rating	94
Annual tuition	\$35,000
Room and board	\$8,510
Required fees	\$650
Books and supplies	\$1,000
% needy frosh rec. need-based scholarship or grant aid	99
% needy UG rec. need-based scholarship or grant aid	97
% needy frosh rec. non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	17
% needy UG rec. non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	16
% needy frosh rec. need-based self-help aid	89
% needy UG rec. need-based self-help aid	87
% frosh rec. any financial aid	83
% UG rec. any financial aid	81
% UG borrow to pay for school	76
Average cumulative indebtedness	\$28,919