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GUIDE



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The Blue Jay Guide

WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations on your choice of Westminster College!

Here, you will experience an extraordinary, transformational program that will enhance your capabilities and help you find your purpose in life. You will be educated and inspired to become a leader of character who is prepared for a life of success, significance, and service.

We welcome you as a new member of our safe and caring community, and I look forward to supporting your success at Westminster College.



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DONALD P. LOFE, JR.

Interim President and Chief Transformation Officer



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Traditions

BLUE JAY

The Blue Jay was officially adopted as the Westminster College mascot in 1903, the same year that “true blue” was adopted as our College color. Our current Blue Jay mascot is named “Winston.”

THE COLUMNS

As you drive up the circle drive on the Hill, you’ll see six Grecian columns on the Hill near Westminster Hall. Those six columns are the remains of the original Westminster Hall, destroyed by fire in 1909.

The Columns Ceremony is held for all new students during New Student Week and again on Graduation Day for those who complete their degree requirements. The two ceremonies, in which students pass through the original Columns in front of Westminster Hall, are the most revered Westminster College traditions. Except on these two occasions, Westminster students do not pass through the Columns during their time at the College.

WORLD-RENOWNED SPEAKERS

The John Findley Green Foundation was established in 1936 as a memorial to John Findley Green, an attorney from St. Louis, MO, who graduated from Westminster in 1884. Green Foundation lecturers have included Prime Minister of England Sir Winston Churchill, J.C. Penney, Presidents Gerald Ford and George H.W. Bush, Polish President Lech Walesa, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, and U.S. Secretary of State Dr. Madeleine Albright.

SKULLS OF SEVEN

The Skulls of Seven, founded in 1898, is a mystical society dedicated to upholding the traditions and ideals of Westminster College. The members are students in good academic standing who are respected leaders of the Westminster community that strive to put the College ahead of personal or special interests. The Skulls of Seven is a self-perpetuating body, which encourages applications from all student leaders.

SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL

Sir Winston Churchill delivered his famous “Iron Curtain” speech, “The Sinews of Peace,” at Westminster on March 5, 1946. Churchill visited the campus as a guest of President Harry S. Truman. The speech is considered one of the finest and most prophetic orations in history.

AMERICA’S NATIONAL CHURCHILL MUSEUM

Westminster College is home to America’s National Churchill Museum, designated by Congress as America’s



HOME OF LEGENDARY LECTURES

Westminster is well known for its legendary lectures. Recent lecturers on campus have included ...

PROFESSOR WOLE SOYINKA, Nobel Prize-winning playwright, poet, author, teacher, and political activist

MAXINE CLARK, founder of Build-a-Bear Workshop

GENERAL DAVID H. PETRAEUS, USA, Retired, former CIA Director, former Commander of U.S. forces in Afghanistan, and NATO International Security Assistance Force

JON MEACHAM, Pulitzer Prize-winning author, presidential historian, Executive Vice President, and Executive Director at Random House, Contributing Editor at Time magazine

U.S. SENATOR BERNIE SANDERS, 2016 and 2020 candidate for U.S. President

museum devoted to immortalizing the life and work of British statesman Winston Churchill. The Museum explores Churchill’s legacy and the impact of his famous “Iron Curtain” speech, which was delivered at Westminster on March 5, 1946.

The heart of the Museum is the magnificent 17th-century Church of St. Mary, the Virgin, Aldermanbury, brought stone by stone from England to Westminster and restored on campus in 1969.

Beneath the Church is a state-of-the-art museum that uses interactive technology to tell Churchill’s story through sight, sound, and touch, as well as an exhibition gallery, a research and reading room, and a gift shop.

The Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Westminster students receive free admission.

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate from Westminster College, you must complete the following:

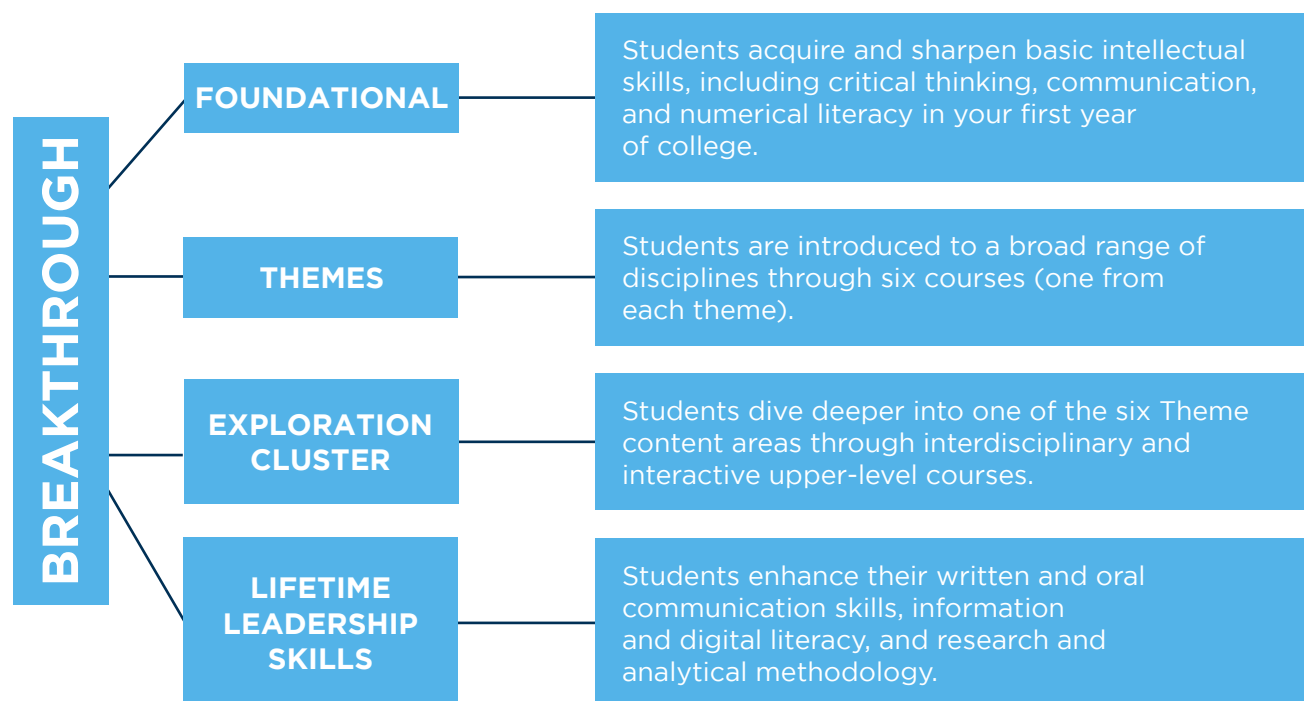
- The Breakthrough general education program, which includes classes dedicated to your first-year experience, foundational and thematic lower-level coursework in a variety of disciplines, and upper-level courses that allow you to explore topics outside of your major.
- At least one major.
- Lifetime Leadership Skills that include courses designed to enhance your written and oral communication, research methodology, and digital and information literacy.
- One P.E. activity course (intellectual and physical fitness are both priorities at Westminster).

Find a complete summary of our graduation requirements online at WCMO.edu.



BREAKTHROUGH: GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Breakthrough consists of classes designed to provide a liberal arts education that develops your intellectual capacities. By exposing you to a multitude of approaches, concepts, and practices, courses in Breakthrough will help you better understand your world while also developing critical thinking, communication, technological, and quantitative skills to prepare you for any advanced-degree program or profession. Through foundational courses, Breakthrough will help you cultivate necessary skills for further academic study. Furthermore, Breakthrough is organized around Themes that provide you a breadth of knowledge through a variety of lower-level courses in different disciplines along with an upper-level Exploration Cluster that will allow you to immerse yourself deeper in the study of a particular subject.



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BREAKTHROUGH COMPONENTS

FOUNDATIONAL COURSES

***Students will aim to take Foundational courses during their freshman year.*

ENG 103: Academic Writing

WSM 101: Westminster Seminar

LST 101: The Leader Within

FLG: Foreign Language

FLG: Second Language Proficiency Course

MAT 114: Elementary Statistics or

MAT 124: Calculus

PED XXX: P.E. Activity Course



THEMES <i>**Students will take one course in each of the six Themes and two courses in one of the corresponding Exploration Clusters.</i>	CORRESPONDING EXPLORATION CLUSTER <i>**Two courses in one of the corresponding Exploration Clusters."</i>
AESTHETICS: Focuses on the importance and impact of human creativity either through the study of artistic expression or participating directly in the creative process. One course required.	POWER OF CREATIVITY: Promotes student appreciation of the many forms of art, either by studying the existing canon of art or through a hands-on experience that immerses students directly in the creative process.
VALUES AND DIVERSITY: Addresses the role diverse values play with respect to how individuals and groups interact with one another in society and across social boundaries. One course required.	CREATING INCLUSIVENESS: Concentrates on the study of diverse cultures within the United States in order to examine their own perspectives more critically and negotiate the variety of perspectives that shape our interdependent global society.
GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES: Examines either the relationship of local society to the global, the nature of non-American cultures, and/or the background for understanding contemporary global issues. One course required.	TRANSNATIONAL ISSUES: Examines the effect of global issues on individuals and communities and identifies solutions.
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: Addresses the interaction between human biology and society from a variety of contexts, such as functional, cognitive, emotional, philosophical, and social, and how these contexts relate to the human experience. One course required.	HUMAN EXPERIENCE: Explores both individual and social development in how we think, what we know, and how we grow as individuals.
INSTITUTIONS AND SOCIETY: Explores the political, economic, and local systems that shape our lives, including social institutions such as families, communities, governments, and economies. One course required.	STRUCTURE IN SOCIETY: Critically examines structures of society (political institutions, kinship, education, legal systems, and social and cultural norms) and how they shape our identity.
NATURAL SCIENCE INQUIRY: Introduces students to the key theories of a science and to its methods of inquiry. One course required.	STEM AND SOCIETY: Explores STEM's role in society as well as how science and empirical research work.

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LIFETIME LEADERSHIP SKILLS

***Students will take a total of five to six courses that address a particular Lifetime Leadership competency*

WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATION: Communication includes the ability to write, speak, read, and listen effectively. Development of these skills is essential for preparing students to be confident communicators with the capacity to convey, engage, apply, and reflect on knowledge accessed within their chosen fields.

***Students will complete at least two Writing Intensive courses and one course dedicated to oral communication.*

DIGITAL AND INFORMATION LITERACY: Westminster prioritizes the development of skills in information technology, the ability to employ computer and other technologies in writing, the manipulation of data, and understanding the nature and limits of technology.

****Students will complete one course dedicated to digital and/or information literacy.*

INQUIRY AND ANALYSIS: From exploring issues, objects, and works through the collection of evidence to investigating complex topics or issues in order to gain more knowledge, learning methods of inquiry and analysis further develop students' ability to think on a higher level.

***Students will complete one course dedicated to inquiry and/or analysis.*



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COURSES TO HELP YOU DURING YOUR FIRST YEAR AT WESTMINSTER

WESTMINSTER SEMINAR (WSM 101): Every new student takes Westminster Seminar to help with the adjustment to college life. You'll study a fun and unique topic and develop connections among classmates, mentors, and faculty members that will last throughout your college career.

Westminster Seminar classes are taught by Westminster faculty members on a topic of their choice — from terrorism to pop culture to patriotism/citizenship to understanding disease to the politics of song and world change.

In class, you will learn how to read analytically, think critically, and communicate effectively — important tools that prepare you academically for the rest of your classes at Westminster.

Outside the classroom, Westminster Seminar students participate in diverse activities such as field trips, service projects, concerts, and lectures.

Westminster students work closely with a team that includes their Seminar faculty member, professional academic advisor, and upper-class student mentors.

DIGITAL BLUE

Westminster College's Digital Blue prepares 21st-century learners for the technological demands of the professional world and will propel Blue Jays to the forefront of digital leadership. The Digital Blue experience inspires creativity, productivity, and relevant lifelong learning, and connecting students and faculty with authentic tools will elevate the Blue Jay Nation by helping students see the power in their purpose. With Digital Blue, all students receive an iPad to help with their studies. For more information, please visit WCMO.edu/Go/Digital-Blue.

HONORS PROGRAM

Designed for a limited number of qualified students, the Honors Program will include a highly specialized, dynamic honors curriculum with an array of experiences that develop academic skills, leadership skills, and global perspectives.

Transfer students will enroll in a special transfer section of Westminster Seminar (WSM 102) during their first semester at Westminster.

THE LEADER WITHIN (LST 101): This course introduces all first-year students to the College's challenge of developing leaders in a global community. You'll learn how to become an engaged, responsible member of the college learning community.

- Explore the meaning of "personal leadership" and ways in which you can make meaningful contributions to our campus and in the world.
- Develop a plan for academic and co-curricular success.
- Become acquainted with Westminster's history, values, mission, and campus support services.

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

The Student Success Center, located on the main floor of Reeves Library, provides a number of services aimed at helping students achieve all of their goals during their time at Westminster. Here you can meet with the Coordinator of Global Educational Services to explore a world of possibilities for traveling abroad or plan an exciting study experience in an off-campus program in the United States. Staff in the Greg Richard Office of Advising and Career Development can offer support through the various stages of career exploration and internship planning while providing extra advising support for new and transfer students. The Student Retention Specialist is available to meet one on one with you to help improve your performance at Westminster by assisting you in exploring the areas that are impacting your academic success. This professional can help identify strategies and resources to help strengthen your foundation for success.

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GREG RICHARD OFFICE OF ADVISING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The Career Development Counselor and Coordinator will help you:

- Decide on a major. Explore various fields of study through taking classes and becoming involved in a multitude of new campus experiences. Career assessments and one-on-one assistance with qualified staff are also available to find the best career pathway for YOU.
- Find and secure internships. Professional skill development is strengthened during internship experiences.
- Prepare for job and graduate school interviews. No job can be secured, or graduate school admission gained without adequate career preparation. Individual assistance is available to help you write a resume and cover letter, prepare for an interview, search for a job, or apply to graduate school.

Additional Career Development Opportunities

- Major department career events such as First Fridays and Engineer Your Career
- Career-related workshops and programming such as Career Jeopardy and our After the Tassel Podcast
- Webinars and virtual employer engagement events hosted by industry leaders and recruiters

WC INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

A full-time internship coordinator will assist you in earning academic credit for internship experiences. This person helps you:

- Work with career development staff in searching for and securing internships.
- Earn credit hours in your academic program while also putting into practice what you are learning in the classroom. (It is possible to earn up to 12 internship credit hours.)
- Explore occupations and career fields, develop your professional network, and build professional skills through internships.

ADVISING

Professional Academic Advisors are available to:

- Assist students in making informed and responsible academic decisions.
- Ensure students understand and meet degree requirements.
- Help to develop an academic plan for timely graduation based upon student academic abilities, personal interests, and goals.
- Connect students to various campus resources and support services.
- Demonstrate an understanding of institution policies and procedures pertaining to students.



HOW YOU CAN STUDY ABROAD

Students may elect to study off campus in a domestic or international program, for a few weeks, one semester, or a year. You can also participate in off-campus programs led by our faculty, typically as a summer program. Our resources for study abroad and additional off-campus opportunities are extensive and tailored to meet the needs and interests of individual students. Credit transfer and scholarship opportunities are available. Contact the Office of Global Educational Services, located in the Student Success Center, for more information.

Unique to Westminster and funded by the College, the Take-a-Friend-Home Program allows a domestic and an international student to travel to each other's homes for a cultural immersion experience.

*As a result of the worldwide pandemic, College travel currently is being monitored carefully. More information can be obtained by contacting the Office of Global Educational Services in the Student Success Center at Reeves Library.

THE TOMNITZ FAMILY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES CENTER (LOC)

Designed to assist all students with academic success, The Tomnitz Family Learning Opportunities Center (LOC) programs match the needs of individual students.

- Academic support is offered to students through programs such as the Learning Difference Program, the Academic Enrichment Program, and the College Transition Program.
- LOC professional staff offer supplemental courses designed to encourage and support academic success in the Humanities, Natural and Mathematical Sciences, and Social Sciences.
- Peer Tutoring Programs provide help for students in most general education classes, with specialized tutoring labs for writing, math, and accounting.
- The LOC supports Westminster College students who are eligible to receive academic accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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SIGNATURE ACADEMIC EVENTS UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS FORUM

At Westminster, students have the rare opportunity to engage in academic research, often alongside their professors. Held every spring, the Undergraduate Scholars Forum highlights our students' achievements in a formal and comprehensive way.

DON'T MISS THE HANCOCK SYMPOSIUM

Hancock Symposium is a signature event interconnecting academic disciplines, bringing national and international leaders together on campus for interactive discussion about topics of global significance.

HANCOCK SYMPOSIUM

The Hancock Symposium occurs each September and is Westminster College's premier academic event designed to foster innovation, intellectual curiosity, and thought leadership. Globally esteemed speakers are brought in, and classes are paused as the entire Westminster community converges to explore a common topic or theme.

THE CENTER FOR FAITH AND SERVICE

The Center for Faith and Service (CFS), located at 322 W. 6th St., is a home away from home for all students. It is open to all students and celebrates the diversity of our student body. The Center offers couches for napping, quiet spaces for studying, a kitchen for cooking, and an interfaith prayer and meditation space. Student groups are able to reserve spaces in CFS for club meetings and small-group activities. The Remley Women and Gender Center is also housed in the CFS building.

The Center for Faith and Service is made up of three offices:

THE OFFICE OF SPIRITUAL LIFE

The Office of Spiritual Life is supported by Westminster's chaplain and chaplain resident. The Office encourages and equips members of the Westminster community to grow and express themselves spiritually by providing meaningful opportunities for worship, service, fellowship, and study.

Spiritual Life activities vary annually based on student need and request, including weekly Bible studies, praise and worship services, meditation meet-ups, celebrations of religious holidays, retreats, and other programs to help consider life's big questions.

THE OFFICE OF INTERCULTURAL ENGAGEMENT

Learning to value the similarities and differences between people is an important lesson to learn during college. The Office of Intercultural Engagement provides opportunities



Bailey Johnson, '20 KAO, of O'Fallon, MO, is one of many hard-working Westminster College students to take advantage of summer break by completing an internship in her field of interest. She was a Summer Lab Science Student in the Clinical Histology Lab at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN.

for Westminster College community members to learn about the variety of people who make up the world around them as well as advocate for unrepresented or marginalized student populations to make sure all issues and needs are heard and addressed. The Office of Intercultural Engagement works in collaboration with other campus offices to promote and foster the diverse community that makes Westminster so unique. The office provides support to prospective and incoming international students as well as other minority student populations. This office hosts the annual Colors of Westminster retreat for sophomore students.

THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Office of Community Engagement seeks to foster mutually beneficial relationships between the College and larger Fulton community. The office provides volunteer opportunities, all-school service days, and the annual Alternative Spring Break trip. It also supports students who choose to take service learning courses. In addition, the office houses the Service Scholars program, a service-based initiative that places students in internships with local non-profits for one academic year.

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THE WELLNESS CENTER

The Wellness Center provides services and activities that promote the development of healthy lifestyles and the acquisition of problem-solving and decision-making skills. Staffed by health-care professionals, the Wellness Center includes Counseling Services, the Student Health Clinic, and Wellness Programs.

COUNSELING SERVICES

The Wellness Center counseling staff works with individuals, couples, and groups who request help with a variety of concerns, including but not limited to relationships, family issues, trauma, stress and anxiety, substance abuse, eating disorders, educational and career alternatives, communication skills, diversity/identity concerns, depression, and spiritual concerns. Consultation services are available to student groups concerned with issues that arise from the College environment. Counseling relationships are voluntary and confidential. Our counseling staff makes confidentiality within and outside the College a primary concern.

STUDENT HEALTH CLINIC

The Student Health Clinic is staffed by a full-time nurse practitioner. Students may visit the Student Health Clinic an unlimited number of times for acute and minor illnesses, minor injuries, allergy injections, well exams, and the management of chronic illnesses. The clinic also provides some in-office laboratory services (outside laboratory services will incur in a fee). Students are responsible for charges for medical services beyond the scope of the clinic, such as x-rays and medication.

STUDENT HEALTH FORMS AND REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

All new students entering Westminster College must provide documented proof of the measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine; meningococcal vaccine; and Tdap immunity. A questionnaire that screens for tuberculosis must also be completed. This documentation is required prior to class attendance. The Wellness Center will accept exemptions from the requirements on an individual basis. Documentation of immunity may be accomplished by written proof of vaccination or proof of immunity by titer (a blood test).

Westminster College does not require the hepatitis B or the HPV vaccine; however, we strongly encourage students to receive these vaccinations.

Are you taking medication? Provide the name of the medication and the reason for the medication on the **Student Health Form**. All medications in the student's possession must be clearly labeled with the name, dosage, and number of pills, as well as the name of the doctor prescribing the medication.

The Student Health Clinic treats information contained on the Student Health Form as confidential. Student's charts are kept in locked cabinets and are only accessible by Wellness Center staff. The Health Form is required and must be completed before enrollment.

Any significant change in a student's health should be brought to the attention of the Wellness Center.



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If you are a U.S. citizen ...

If you already have insurance through your parents or another coverage plan, you must opt out of the college-sponsored plan each semester that you do not need coverage. To opt out, complete the form on MyWC before the deadline established each year. *Please note: Students will automatically be billed for the insurance premium unless they opt out.*

If you are an international student ...

All Westminster College students classified as international students are automatically enrolled in the Westminster College-sponsored health insurance plan. A fee for this mandatory health insurance is applied to every international student's account each semester.

For questions, please contact The Wellness Center's Clinic Coordinator at 573-592- 5361. The Wellness Center will assist you with any of your medical or insurance-related issues.

The Wellness Center is located in the lower level of Westminster Hall and open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

RESIDENCE LIFE

Living on campus is an integral part of the Westminster experience, and the Office of Residential Life is excited to welcome you to our community! Our staff strives to create communities in which students receive opportunities to learn, grow, and develop. You will have the opportunity to make lifelong friendships in your residence hall and to participate in programs and activities that will complement your academic experience.

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

For those who have completed all the necessary information early, your campus housing assignment may be available by your SOAR date. All other room assignments will be sent out around July 1. Your room assignment will include your roommate's contact information (if applicable), and your campus mailbox number and combination. Included in this information will also be a New Student Week schedule, a list of suggested items to bring to campus, and a special move-in schedule for fall student athletes (where applicable).

YOUR ROOM ON CAMPUS

All campus housing is non-smoking, air-conditioned, and has both hardwired and wireless network access.

The typical room size for a double room in the Quad is approximately 12 feet by 14 feet. Each room is furnished with the following items:

- Bunkable beds (including frame, springs and 80" twin mattress)
- Desk, Chair, Dresser and Closet space
- Window blinds

All room furniture provided by Westminster must remain in the student's room. Keep in mind when packing that on-campus storage is not available, and removing college-owned furniture to an off-campus location is not permitted.

Because all beds in the residence halls are bunkable, homemade lofts are not allowed. Also, please note that rooms are not carpeted.

The College does permit students to use bed risers that may be placed under each bed leg to raise a student's bed an additional 4 inches to 8 inches. Please note that the risers should have a hollow top where the bed leg can fit firmly inside the riser. These can be purchased at most retail discount stores and supercenters.

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

Feel free to bring lamps, stereos, televisions, DVD players, computers, etc. — but remember you are sharing a room with another student, and space will be limited.

Room refrigerators need to be no bigger than 4.6 cubic feet. Students are allowed one refrigerator per person, per room.

We ask that you only use one microwave (under 1500 watts) per room. All electrical appliances must be plugged directly into a wall outlet or surge protector.

The use of extension cords is prohibited. Because we take fire safety and prevention seriously, heavy electrical load items and potential fire hazards such as window unit air conditioners, electric/space heaters, halogen lamps, hot plate-type appliances, open element/flame devices, smoking, candles, and incense are not allowed anywhere on campus.

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TELEVISION

Students can enjoy all the benefits of live and on-demand HDTV programming simply by connecting to the SpectrumU app via our secure campus network.

Benefits include:

- Easy viewing from any iOS® or Android™ mobile device, tablet, laptop, desktop or Roku® device
- Live HDTV with extensive channel lineups, including broadcast stations
- More than 7,000 hours of on-demand content, including movies and popular TV shows
- An interactive guide with the ability to create a customized list of favorite channels

PERSONAL PROPERTY INSURANCE

Westminster recommends that students carry their own personal property insurance or renter's insurance during their time on campus. Renter's insurance is generally available through your local insurance agent. The College is not responsible for loss, theft, or damage of a student's personal belongings at any time.

STUDENT ID CARDS

Your student ID card will be issued when you arrive on campus. The student ID card is your meal plan card, which is also used for printing/copying, and your library card. There may be a replacement fee of \$30 for lost, damaged, or stolen ID cards, so make sure you keep this card in a secure, safe, and accessible place.

DINING SERVICES

MUELLER LEADERSHIP HALL

Meals for students in College housing or on a meal plan are provided in Mueller Leadership Hall. During the

semester, a full breakfast is served along with a continental breakfast, lunch, and full dinner. A brunch and dinner are served on Saturday and Sunday. There is no meal service during regular college holidays and vacations, such as Thanksgiving, winter, and spring break.

JOHNSON COLLEGE INN

The Johnson College Inn (JCI), located in the lower level of Hunter Activity Center, serves deli favorites, soups, and salads with soft drinks and coffee.

Students on a meal plan receive Blue Jay Bucks for use at JCI. Students not on the meal plan can pay cash or set up a Blue Jay Bucks account with dining services.



HELPFUL HINTS FOR LIVING ON CAMPUS

- Bring a small plastic bucket or caddy to carry things with you to and from the shower.
- Talk with your roommate to decide who will bring some of the larger, sharable items, such as refrigerator, stereo, and/or television. There may not be space for two of these larger items in your room!
- Please leave all of your pets and/or animals at home. They aren't permitted in campus housing.
- Remember you are sharing a space with another student — pack sparingly! You can always pick up more things on your first trip back home, or hit up our local Walmart for necessities.
- Get to know your Resident Advisor (RA). These upper-class students will be great campus resources, mentors, and friends. They have been in your shoes before and can help you with all aspects of your transition to college.
- Everyone is part of the Blue Jay family. Take the time to get to know your neighbors and make new friends.

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TIPS FOR BUILDING A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR ROOMMATE

- Have genuine respect for each other and your possessions.
- Don't be a slob — rooms are too small to have stuff everywhere.
- Communicate, share, compromise, and be open-minded, courteous, and respectful.
- Be patient: Everyone adjusts to college in their own way.
- Keep things in perspective and let little things roll off your back. Not everything is a crisis.
- Be considerate of your roommate's study and sleep habits.
- Shower and do laundry frequently — Laundry is free ... there's no reason NOT to do it!
- Get involved. If you are in the room all the time, you are more likely to have conflicts.
- Take time to get to know each other. You might have more in common than you think.
- Don't dwell on how you may be different; instead, celebrate how you may be similar.
- Don't assume they will think like you, and don't assume that they won't.
- Remember that you don't have to be best friends to be great roommates.
- Everyone has a bad day. Be forgiving, supportive, and understanding.
- Ask before taking, using, or borrowing your roommate's things.
- Be prepared to meet someone who may become your new best friend.
- Your roommate won't be able to read your mind. They will only know how you're feeling once you tell them.
- The majority of all conflict is rooted in poor communication. If you learn to communicate effectively, you will learn how to mediate conflict successfully.



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Dining hall and JCI hours of operation, along with nutritional information for all our selections, can be found online FreshIdeasFood.com/WestminsterDining.

CAMPUS MEAL PLANS

All students who reside in a college-owned residence facility (Quadrangle, Triangle, Townhomes, and Apartments) must participate in a campus meal plan. The College approved meal plans are:

- 19 meals/week*, plus \$50 Blue Jay Bucks each semester (for use in JCI or other meal needs)
- 14 meals/week*, plus \$75 Blue Jay Bucks each semester (for use in JCI or other meal needs)
- 10 meals/week*, plus \$100 Blue Jay Bucks each semester (for use in JCI or other meal needs)
- 5 meals/week*, plus \$25 Blue Jay Bucks each semester (for use in JCI or other meal needs)

**Unused meals do not carry over and cannot be “banked” from one week to the next.*

First year, full-time students (i.e. freshmen) are required to participate in the College’s 19-meal plan.

Any non-freshman living in a residence hall (the Quad or Triangle) will default to the 14-meal plan each semester. If

they wish to select the 19- or 10-meal plan, they must fill out a “**Request to Change Meal Plan**” form (you must be logged into MyWC to access) prior to census date (seven days after the start of classes each semester).

Students living in campus housing with full kitchen service (Apartments and Townhomes) are required at a minimum to have a five-meal plan. If they wish to select a 10-, 14-, or 19-meal plan, they must fill out a “Request to Change Meal Plan” form (you must be logged into MyWC to access).

Requests to change meal plans will not be received by phone or email. The student is required to fill out the “Request to Change Meal Plan” form located in MyWC under Student E-forms to make this request. Requests to lower one’s meal plan after census date will not be approved. However, a student may raise their meal plan at any time during the semester, and their semester charges will be prorated based on the week their request is granted.

Feeling ill and can’t make it to the dining hall? Request a sick tray in advance with the Dining Services Director at **573-592-5352**. Students may need to contact the Wellness Center if sick trays run longer than 24 hours.

If you have special dietary needs, please contact the Dining Services Director at **573-592-5352**.

For Your Information

STUDENT ACCOUNTS

Students and/or parents may access their account online via MyWC to make secure payments by ACH or credit card. A 2.75 percent convenience fee is applied to all credit card transactions. We accept MasterCard, American Express, VISA, and Discover cards.

All student account balances are due by Aug. 1 for the fall semester and Jan. 2 for the spring semester, unless enrolled in an online payment plan. Finance charges will be assessed at 1.5% at the beginning of each month for any unpaid balance.

Students should expect to pay approximately \$1,000 a year for books. Students that have a credit balance on their accounts may charge their books at the Westminster Bookstore. Those charges will be added to their student account.

ONLINE PAYMENT PLAN

The College offers an online payment plan each semester for those who wish to make monthly payments to pay for tuition, room, board, and fees. The monthly installments can be automatically deducted from a designated checking account. There is a \$60 fee per semester to sign up for the plan. The fee will be refunded at the end of the semester, provided there were no late payments, and the student account balance is zero. There is no penalty for prepayment of the payment plan.

Questions regarding the online payment plan may be directed to the Business Office. For instructions on how to enroll in the online payment plan, visit WCMO.edu/Go/Payment-Policies.

CREDIT BALANCES

Per federal regulations, all credit balances created on the student account related to Title IV federal funds must be refunded to the student within 14 days. Other credit balances on the student account created by non-federal funds can be retained on the student account for future charges or we will refund the credit to the student as it occurs.

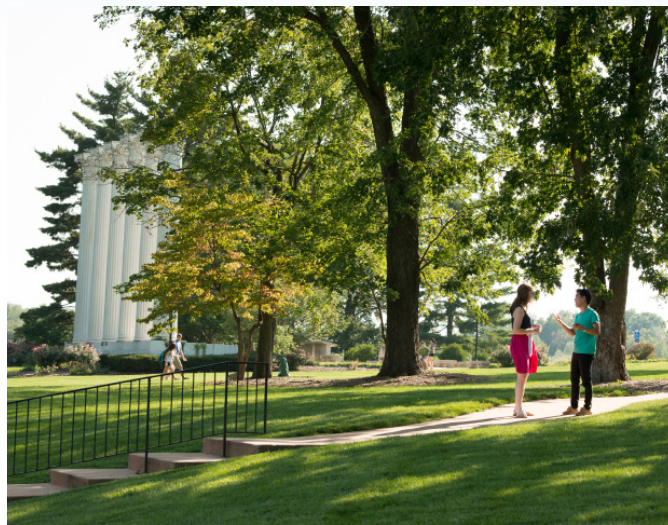
TAX BENEFITS

Please contact your tax advisor for tax benefits associated with reducing the financial impact of higher education.

Located in Westminster Hall, the Business Office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and available to help you with any questions regarding your student account.

SECURITY

Service-oriented, Campus Security officers respond to a variety of requests and regularly patrol the campus residence halls and buildings. Along with other college offices (e.g., Residential Life), the department is responsible for enforcing college policies and regulations of college property. The department works closely with the Fulton Police Department when incidents of a criminal nature arise.



During the 2019 Hancock Symposium, Dr. Madeleine Albright, the first female U.S. Secretary of State, delivered the 59th Green Foundation Lecture at Westminster and received an honorary degree.

2019 “Best Value College”

— *FORBES*

“Top College” in 2019 and 2018

— *FORBES*

Only National Liberal Arts College in Missouri

— *U.S. News & World Report*

One of the 2019 “10 Coolest Small Towns in America.”

— *Budget Travel*

For specific details about direct and overall costs of attendance for a specific year, please refer to the handout in your folder, or visit WCMO.edu/Go/Cost-Attendance.

For Your Information



A security officer escort is available every evening from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. for on-campus locations ONLY. Call Campus Security at 573-592-5555, and an officer will be dispatched to your location and accompany you safely to your destination.

Services provided by Campus Security:

- Locking/unlocking buildings and enforcing building hours
- Admitting students in buildings after hours
- Escorting students across campus upon request
- Admitting students into residence halls
- Enforcing parking policies and issuing parking tickets
- Responding to all smoke and fire alarms
- Assisting local law enforcement as needed.

When incidents or issues arise regarding safety or security, please contact the Office of Security at 573-592-5555, the Office of Residential/Greek Life, or the Dean of Student's Office.

The Office of Campus Safety and Security is located at 710 Westminster Ave. For more information about campus policies and for services provided by Campus Security, visit WCMO.edu/Student-Life/Security.

PARKING

Each student is charged a \$50 parking fee to cover parking services for the academic year. There is a fee waiver available for students who do not bring a vehicle with them to Fulton. Upon completion, this waiver will remove the \$50 parking fee from the student's account. However, the waiver must be received within the first seven days of classes for the waiver to be approved. Students who do register a vehicle must display a valid parking permit to park in approved student parking areas on campus. The permits will be distributed upon the student's arrival to campus.

GENERAL SECURITY AND SAFETY TIPS

- Do not loan your student ID card out to anyone. Report to Office of Residential Life if card is missing or lost.
- Do not prop exterior doors. Do not allow anyone access to the building whom you do not know.
- Purchase renter's insurance. Check with your insurance agent or the Office of Residential Life.
- Lock your vehicle at all times, store valuable items in your trunk, and bring a spare set of keys.
- Lost/Found items may be taken to the Office of Security.

MAIL SERVICE

Mailboxes are located in the lower level of Hunter Activity Center (HAC). You will receive your mailbox/unit number and the combination when you receive your housing assignment. Mailbox information is also located on MyWC under the Student section.

Mail can be addressed to you as follows: 501 Westminster Avenue; Campus Box XXXX; Fulton, MO 65251

The campus mailroom is located inside the Bookstore in the lower level of Mueller Leadership Hall. Packages are received from the Post Office, UPS, Federal Express, and several other carriers. Besides sending mail and receiving mail and packages, you can also purchase stamps and envelopes at the mailroom.

BOOKSTORE

Located in the lower level of Mueller Leadership Hall, the Westminster Bookstore is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on special weekends, such as Move-In Weekend and Alumni Weekend.

Orders for Westminster apparel and other spirit gear may be placed online at WestminShop.com.

Getting Involved

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Student clubs and organizations are a great way to get involved in campus life. Westminster College offers numerous clubs and organizations to meet every interest. It's also easy to start a club of your own!

Check out the Westminster website for a list of clubs and organizations along with more information on opportunities, plus the campus calendar: WCMO.edu.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SGA)

SGA student leaders facilitate active student involvement and investment in Student Life. SGA encourages student activities that promote the general welfare of the student body. SGA leaders are first in line to discuss and respond to any issues pertaining to the Westminster student experience. Senators are responsible for allocating the student activity fee used to fund essential programs such as Health Trek, Intramurals, and well over 200 club-sponsored events per year.

Want to serve as an SGA officer? Elections for all SGA senate seats take place during the second week of classes in the fall. Each class elects officers and senators to represent their class. The SGA Executive Board will also appoint senators at large to compose the SGA Senate.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD (CAB)

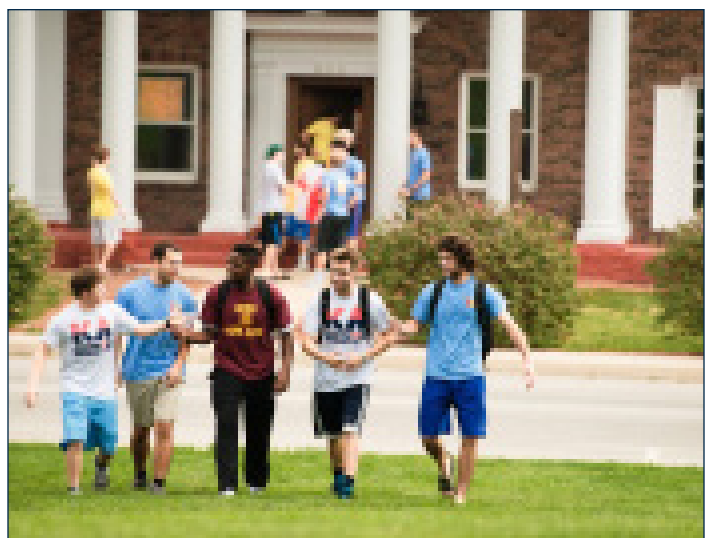
Run by students for students, Campus Activities Board brings comedy nights, live music, movies, lectures, and hypnotists to campus. Students are selected to serve as CAB chairs, but any student is welcome to participate as a general member. As a member of CAB, you can be directly involved in planning and promoting any type of event. You may even get to go back stage and meet nationally recognized acts backstage like Aaron Carter or Jesse McCartney!

FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE

The fraternity and sorority communities on campus value service, leadership, academics, and brotherhood/sisterhood. Each of the six Greek fraternities offer a chapter house for their members to live, meet, and engage in chapter-sponsored functions. Our three women's sororities offer chapter housing in our upper-division residence halls, with a private chapter lounge used exclusively by the organization for official business and functions.

THE REMLEY WOMEN AND GENDER CENTER

The Remley Women and Gender Center seeks to educate the campus on women and gender issues by providing an alternative space for students of all races, creeds, gender, class, ethnicity, political affiliation, and sexual orientation to discuss, learn, and share knowledge. The Remley Women and Gender Center is located at 322 W. 6th Street, on the 2nd floor, upstairs from the Center for Faith and Service.



Getting Involved



MUSIC AND THEATRE

The Fine Arts Department provides opportunities for all Westminster students to experience the arts and expand their understanding of how the arts offer alternative modes of expression, communication, and interpretation of the world around us.

Music ensembles are open to all Westminster students through auditions at the beginning of each semester. Vocalists may audition for the Churchill Singers chamber ensemble. Instrumentalists may audition for the Blue Jay Band. Students receive academic credit for ensemble participation and may repeat ensemble courses for credit.

Performing Arts Club allows any and all students to showcase their performance skills through plays and performances every semester. This club is a great opportunity for students who have knowledge of or would like to learn more about theater production, acting, set construction, improvisation, movement, and other components of the performing arts to grow and share their talents.

ATHLETICS

The Athletic Department staff supports the mission of Westminster College by enhancing the educational process through intercollegiate play. We provide our student-athletes the opportunity for leadership and service through a diverse program of instruction and competition.

Our programs are run in accordance with the rules and regulations of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SLIAC), and the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC).

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Westminster Blue Blazers visit New York City.



MEN'S TEAMS

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Football
Golf
Soccer
Tennis
Track & Field
Wrestling

WOMEN'S TEAMS

Basketball
Cross Country
Golf
Soccer
Softball
Tennis
Track & Field
Volleyball
Wrestling

SPIRIT SQUADS

Blue Jay cheerleaders & Blue Diamond Dancers

Getting Involved

INTRAMURALS/HEALTHTREK FITNESS PROGRAMS

Helping students make informed, responsible lifestyle decisions is the primary aim of our Intramural and HealthTrek Fitness Programs. All of these services are offered at no charge to Westminster's full-time students.

The Intramurals Program is committed to helping students become involved in recreational activities, regardless of age, gender, ability, skill level, or past experience in order to develop a lifetime interest in recreational and leisure-time activities. Participation in intramural and recreation programs will prove beneficial to you personally and to the success of your college career, helping you develop leadership, cooperation, self-reliance, and a sense of fair play.

Students are invited to participate in as many activities as they wish to explore. More than 60 percent of the campus participates in one or more of the programs offered through our vibrant Intramurals program. We have a diverse range of activities to choose from, and skill and expertise is not a requirement to participate. The goal is to get involved and have fun!

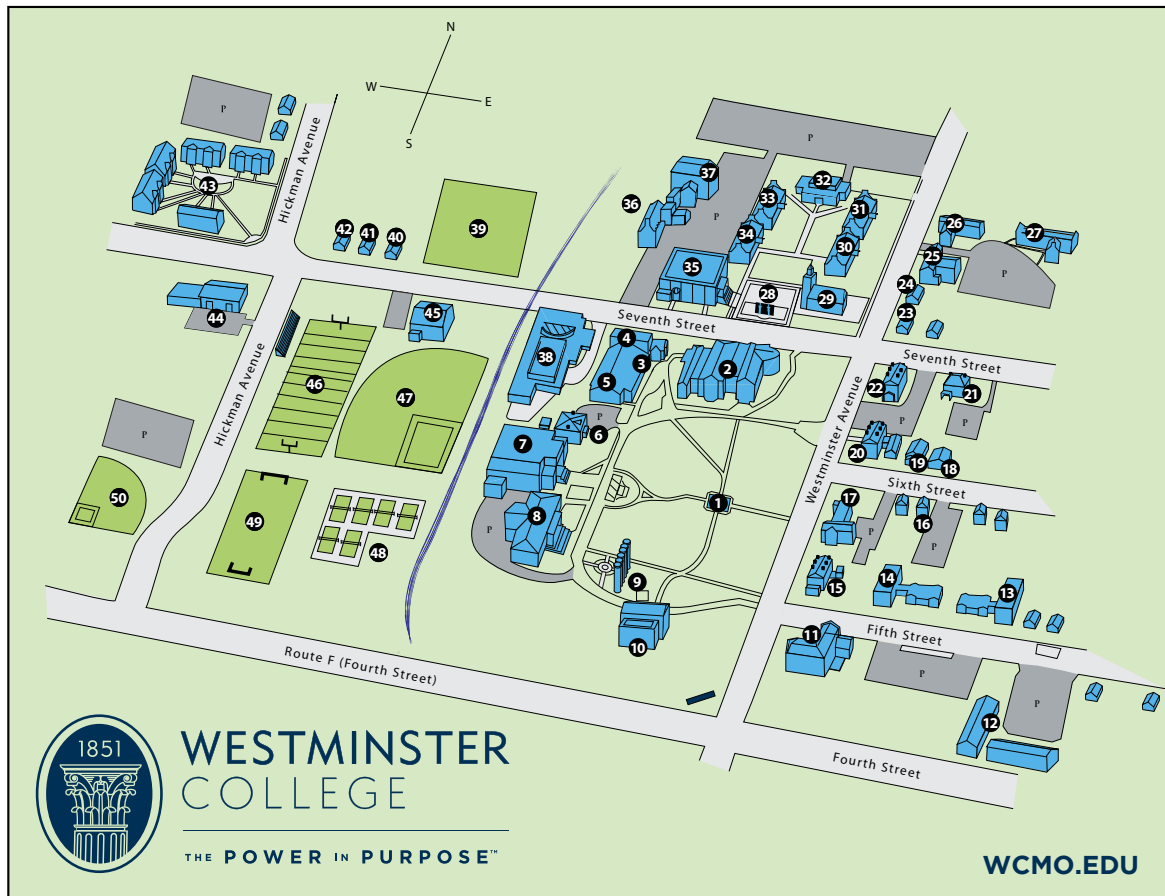
A few of the events offered through Intramurals:

- 5-on-5 Basketball
- Volleyball
- Dodgeball
- Softball
- Flag Football
- Futsal
- Sand Volleyball

In addition to intramurals, HealthTrek offers students numerous fitness opportunities. Students can improve their overall fitness through this program, which provides a variety of fitness classes.



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| 1 Davidson Leadership Plaza | 17 Beta Theta Pi Fraternity | 34 Rice Hall |
| 2 Reeves Library, Hazel Wing, and Student Success Center | 18 ECO House | 35 Champ Auditorium |
| 3 Hunter Activity Center | 19 Sustainability Office | 36 Mueller Leadership Hall (Backer Dining Room) |
| 4 Johnson College Inn (JCI)/ Westminster Women's History Museum | 20 Kappa Alpha Order Fraternity | 37 Kent and Judith Mueller Student Center |
| 5 Veterans Memorial and Museum/ Mabee Gym | 21 Jack Marshall Alumni Center | 38 Coulter Science Center |
| 6 Washington West House | 22 Delta Tau Delta Fraternity | 39 Practice Field |
| 7 Historic Gymnasium | 23 Churchill Institute | 40 Football Coaches' Offices |
| 8 Westminster Hall | 24 Campus Safety and Security | 41 Softball Coaches' Offices |
| 9 The Columns | 25 Wetterau Hall | 42 M/W Soccer, M/W Tennis Coaches' Offices |
| 10 Newnham Hall | 26 Sweazey Hall | 43 Westminster Grove Townhouses |
| 11 Sigma Chi Fraternity | 27 Weigle Hall | 44 General Services (Plant Operations) |
| 12 Westminster Apartments | 28 Latshaw Plaza/Breakthrough (Berlin Wall Sculpture) | 45 Wetterau Center for Field Sports |
| 13 Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity | 29 Church of St. Mary, The Virgin, Aldermanbury/ America's National Churchill Museum | 46 Kent and Judith Mueller Stadium (Football/Soccer) |
| 14 Emerson Hall | 30 Marquess Hall | 47 Saucier Field (Baseball) |
| 15 Phi Delta Theta Fraternity | 31 Gage Hall | 48 Elder Tennis Courts |
| 16 Center for Faith and Service/ Remley Women and Gender Center | 32 Sloss Hall | 49 Practice Field |
| | 33 Scott Hall | 50 Blue Jay Softball Field |

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