Considering an out-of-state school?

Let WUE help you save money on tuition!
Western Undergraduate Exchange

- What is WUE and how does it benefit students?
- Which institutions participate in WUE?
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What is WUE?

- WUE (pronounced (“woo-wee”)) offers reduced nonresident tuition to residents in the West studying out-of-state at 160 public institutions in the region
- Eligible states and territories include:

  - Alaska
  - Arizona
  - California
  - Colorado
  - Hawai'i
  - Idaho
  - Montana
  - Nevada
  - New Mexico
  - North Dakota
  - Oregon
  - South Dakota
  - U.S. Pacific Territories and Freely Associated States (currently CNMI and Guam)
  - Utah
  - Washington
  - Wyoming
How much is WUE tuition?

WUE is 150% of the enrolling INSTITUTION’S resident tuition (sometimes less!)

For Example*:

Resident = $11,088
WUE = $16,632 (resident x 1.5)
Nonresident = $33,120

Tuition Savings = $16,488!! ($33,120 - $16,632)

*Estimates from University of Hawai‘i, Manoa 2018 Tuition
How much is WUE tuition?

For Example*:

- Resident = $6,720
- WUE = $10,080 (resident x 1.5)
- Nonresident = $21,192
- Tuition Savings = $11,112!! ($21,192 - $10,080)

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*Estimates from University of Nevada, Las Vegas 2018 Tuition
How do I qualify for WUE?

1. Be a resident of a WICHE state
2. Apply to a participating institution
3. Meet the institution’s WUE requirements
Where are the WUE institutions?

- Our 160+ two- and four-year schools are located throughout the WICHE region.
- All WICHE members except Guam have one or more participating institutions.
Applying for WUE

- There is not a general WUE application: **Apply directly to the institution.**
- Many of WICHE’s partner institutions use WUE as a merit scholarship. When you apply, look for:
  - Early deadlines or first-come, first-served programs
  - Is a separate application required?
  - Minimum GPA and SAT/ACT scores
  - Restrictions on eligible majors
    (i.e.: University of Arizona only offers WUE for mining engineering)
Applying for WUE (cont)

- Can’t find application details? Contact the school directly
  - Offices that handle WUE (this varies by school): Admissions, financial aid, or scholarship office
Things to remember:

- WUE awards are time-limited, or may max out after a certain number of credits are earned
- Students must remain in good academic standing
  - Check with the school for specific GPA/minimum credit hours requirements
- Students can’t use time paying the WUE rate to gain in-state residency
2018-19 Savings Facts

Estimated savings of $380.5 million ÷ 40,500 WUE awards = Average student savings of $9,400!
Arizona by the Numbers

1,614 Arizona undergrads paid 150% or less of resident tuition to save $13 million

AY 2018-19 Enrollment Data
Questions about WUE?

Step 1:
Visit www.wiche.edu/wue
wuesavingsfinder.wiche.edu

Step 2:
Check the school’s website for information and call for details

The institutions are your best resource!
If you still have questions after speaking with them, contact WICHE at:
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