

Welcome to Western!



Career Services Center

a unit of
Academic & Career Development Services

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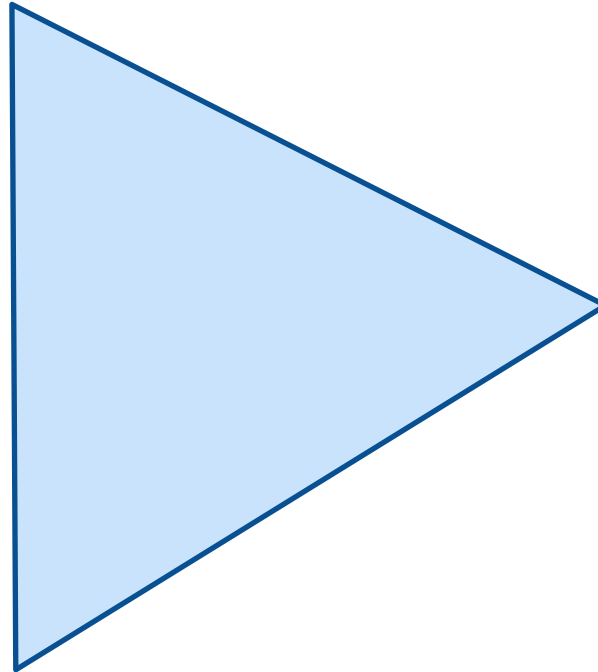
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ACDS: The Triangle of Success

Academic Advising

- Registration
- Course selection
- Choosing a major
- Academic planning
- Monitoring progress toward degree



Career Services

Tutoring Center

- Free, drop-in tutoring
- Tutor-assisted study groups
- Time management assistance
- Test preparation help
- Study skills coaching

The Career Services Center

What you need to know:

1.) We exist

2.) We can help



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What we offer:

- Help with choosing a major
- Assessment tests link
- Career counseling
- Job search guidance
- Resume clinics & Optimal Resume link
- Viking CareerLink link
- Career fairs and events
- Grad/Med school advising
- Mock interviews
- On campus interviewing

Putting your degree to work

First things first: What's your major?

Don't know



Pretty Sure



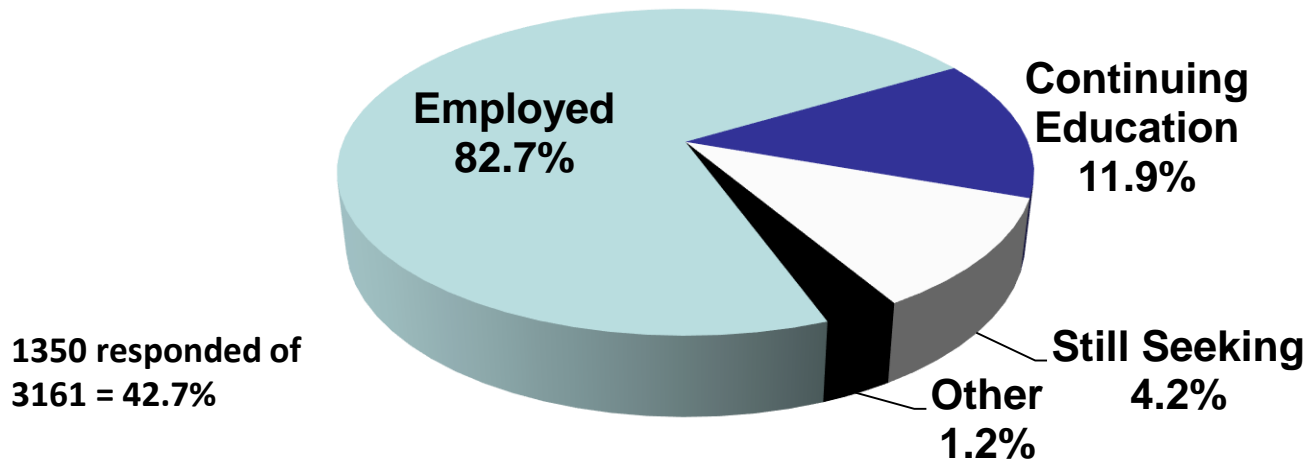
I'm Declared



Check out **What can I do with a major in...** [hyperlink](#)
and the **WWU Employment Survey** [hyperlink](#)

WWU Employment Survey 2015

Employment Status of Bachelor's Degree Recipients (2014-15)



82.7% of WWU Graduates found employment while in school or within six months of graduation

11.9% went on to graduate school

4.2% were still actively seeking employment

Class of 2015 **Hired**

- **Students who found field related experience increased to 61% this year.**
- **Average starting salary was \$38,732.**
- **Students with internship experience found employment more quickly and reported an average starting salary that is about \$3,558 (10%) higher than students without internship experience.**

Still Unsure?

We're here for you. Online or in person.

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- Choosing a Major workshops
- Online Assessments, Sigi3
- Optimal Resume
- Career counselors
- Career fairs
- Viking CareerLink
- Ask! an Alum mentoring

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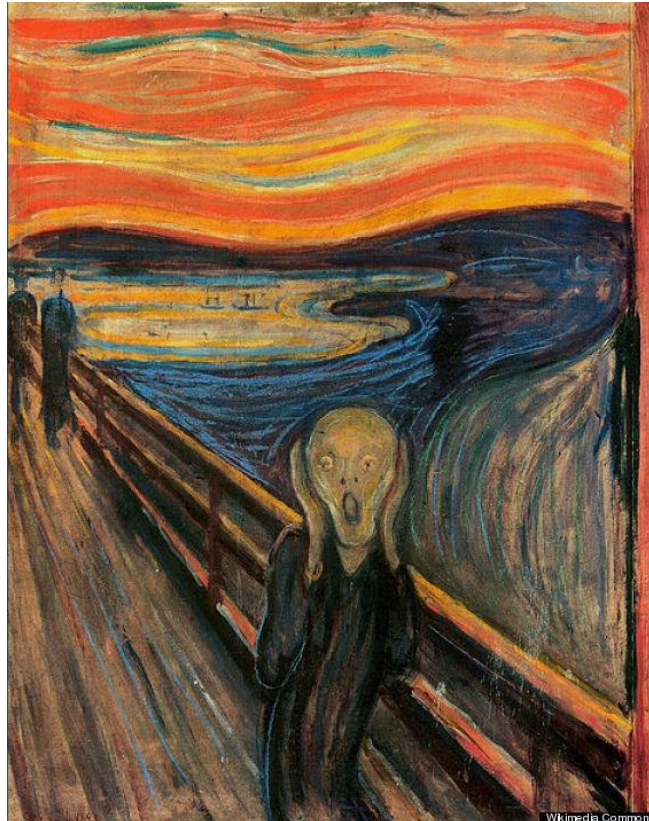
WWU Alumni Mentorship Program

Sign up on
Viking
CareerLink [link](#)
to connect
with alums to
gain valuable
help in
exploring your
potential
career



When should you start career planning?

Hint: Not the week before graduation.



Freshman and Transfer Students

- Find the Career Services Center
- Meet with a counselor or peer advisor
- Set up a Viking CareerLink account
- Follow us on Facebook/Twitter

Old Main 280

Phone for appointment

360-650-3240

Open Monday – Friday 8am-5pm



Sophomores and Juniors

- Work on your resume
- Attend career fairs and special events →
- Look for volunteer, internship and other career-related experiences
- Set up Search Alerts in Viking CareerLink



Special Events 2016 - 2017

FALL QUARTER

Health Professional & Grad School Fair	Thurs., Oct. 20
Community Internship & Volunteer Fair	Thurs., Oct. 27
Business Career Fair	Thurs., Nov. 3
Law School Info Fair	Wed., Nov. 16

WINTER QUARTER

International Opportunities Fair	Thurs., Jan. 26
Winter Career Fair	Thurs., Feb. 9
Huxley Internship & Career Fair	Thurs., Feb. 9
Education & Health Career Fair	Tues., Feb.24

SPRING QUARTER

Spring Career Fair	Thurs., April 20
AmeriCorps Panel Discussion	TBD



A Word About Internships

Just say yes!

Students who do internships tend to:

Get hired more quickly

Find work related to their field of study

Receive higher starting salaries

Internship conversion rates are rising

72.7% of internships turn into job offers

Seniors

- Perfect your resume
- Get LinkedIn
- See career counselors for job search strategies
- Engage with on-campus recruiters
- Set up camp in Viking CareerLink

Try a mock interview



...and then some real ones!

Your mission— should you choose to accept it

- Visit the Career Services Center
- Take an assessment (or two!)
- Volunteer, participate in internships and obtain career related experiences
- Attend career fairs and other special events to research companies and practice networking, (preferably before graduation)



Mission: Not Impossible

Remember them?



Words from a Recent WWU Grad

“If it hadn't been for Career Services, my employment prospects would be dead in the water.”

WWYOU
profiles to inspire you...



Jonathan Geller
Decision Sciences
MIS Concentration