November 2026

Academic Affairs

Western Michigan University

Our Future Direction...WMU Pillars

DISTINCTIVE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

We deliver innovative, high-quality academic programs that are future-focused, grounded in real-world impact and relevance, and enriched by experience-driven learning.

EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EXPERIENCE AND SUPPORT

We provide a distinctive student experience in which students engage in meaningful learning beyond the classroom, build strong relationships, receive the support they need to succeed, and feel valued and connected to the University community.

STUDENT-CENTERED RESEARCH AND CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP ENTERPRISE

We advance knowledge and solve problems through research and creative activity in partnership with students and communities.

OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

We steward our resources responsibly and continually improve our systems and processes to support our mission and drive impact.

GUIDED BY OUR CORE VALUES

- Community-Engaged
- Discovery-Driven
- Equity-Centered
- Learner-Focused
- Sustainability-Guided

Campus Dashboard

Daily Application Report - Undergraduates
As of DAY 95 (04-NOV-26)

	Resident				Domestic Non-Resident				International				Total			
Class	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %
Beginner	12,098	12,684	586	4.8%	3,849	5,580	1,731	45.0%	93	87	-6	-6.5%	16,040	18,351	2,311	14.4%
Transfer	246	203	-43	-17.5%	56	54	-2	-3.6%	33	33	0	0.0%	335	290	-45	-13.4%
Re-Entry	11	4	-7	-63.6%	6	2	-4	-66.7%	1	1	0	0.0%	18	7	-11	-61.1%
Second Bachelor	1	4	3	300.0%	3	3	0	0.0%	4	1	-3	-75.0%	8	8	0	0.0%

Admitted - Active

Beginner	5,697	5,170	-527	-9.3%	1,251	1,640	389	31.1%	37	22	-15	-40.5%	6,985	6,832	-153	-2.2%
Transfer	86	50	-36	-41.9%	8	9	1	12.5%	3	5	2	66.7%	97	64	-33	-34.0%
Re-Entry	3	1	-2	-66.7%	1	2	1	100.0%	0	0	0		4	3	-1	-25.0%
Second Bachelor	1	2	1	100.0%	0	0	0		0	0	0		1	2	1	100.0%

Daily Application Report - Graduates
As of DAY 95 (04-NOV-26)

	Resident				Domestic Non-Resident				International				Total			
Class	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Diff	Diff %
Masters	115	141	26	22.6%	29	25	-4	-13.8%	145	158	13	9.0%	289	324	35	12.1%
Doctoral	38	53	15	39.5%	27	35	8	29.6%	50	74	24	48.0%	115	162	47	40.9%
Non-Degree	5	5	0	0.0%	3	0	-3	-100.0%	1	3	2	200.0%	9	8	-1	-11.1%

Admitted - Active

Masters	34	50	16	47.1%	6	6	0	0.0%	14	12	-2	-14.3%	54	68	14	25.9%
Doctoral	3	3	0	0.0%	1	4	3	300.0%	3	5	2	66.7%	7	12	5	71.4%
Non-Degree	3	3	0	0.0%	0	0	0		0	0	0		3	3	0	0.0%

Distinctive Academic Programs

Fifth annual Cybersecurity Summit

Beyond the Firewall:
Humans, AI and the Future of Trust

Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026

8 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
WMU Student Center

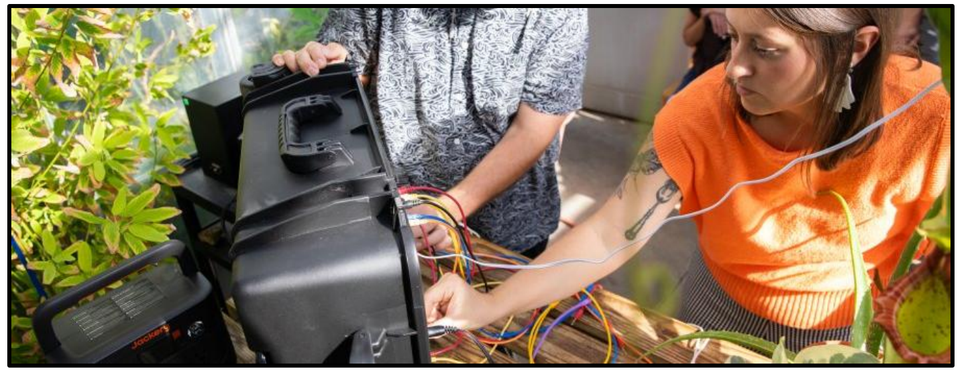
Keynote: Kara Ortiz

Michigan Department of Technology,
Management and Budget



Distinctive Academic Programs

Experience-Driven Learning Venture Grants

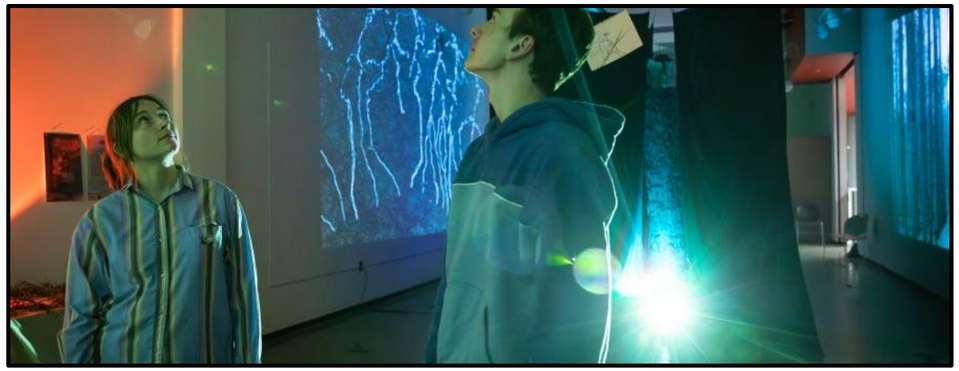


EDL in Practice

Document and reflect on EDL already happening in undergraduate courses

Noncompetitive • $500 honorarium

For eligible board-appointed faculty
Maximum of two qualifying submissions



EDL Innovation Grants

Create, test, expand or substantially enhance undergraduate EDL experiences

Competitive project funding

Develop in spring 2027
Implement during the 2027–28 academic year

Both opportunities: Apply by Sunday, Nov. 15, 2026

Exceptional Student Experience

WMU-GRCC

Bronco Bound Agreement



Operational Excellence

Scholarship Universe

December 9, 2025

College/Unit	Total Scholarship Funds	Funds in Scholarship Universe	Percentage of funds in Scholarship Universe
College of Health and Human Services	128	67	52%
College of Education and Human Development	183	125	68%
College of Engineering and Applied Sciences	135	33	24%
College of Arts & Sciences	371	104	28%
College of Aviation	19	14	74%
College of Fine Arts	161	149	93%
Haworth College of Business	182	106	58%
Admissions	43	25	58%
Student Financial Aid	91	71	78%
Non-College Units/Departments	241	31	13%
TOTAL	1554	725	47%

November 1, 2026

College	Total in SU	Total Funds	Percentage
College of Aviation	15	15	100.00%
College of Education & Human Development	154	154	100.00%
College of Fine Arts	160	160	100.00%
Graduate College	15	15	100.00%
Haenicke Institute Global Ed	13	13	100.00%
Haworth College of Business	158	158	100.00%
Merze Tate College	3	3	100.00%
Student Financial Aid	100	100	100.00%
College of Engineering & Applied Sciences	60	61	98.36%
College of Health & Human Services	93	95	97.89%
College of Arts & Sciences	236	242	97.52%
Admissions	35	36	97.22%
Non-College Departments/Units	115	121	95.04%
Lee Honors College	9	12	75.00%
Total	**1,166**	**1,185**	**98.40%**

Broncos Rising

Sky Broncos

5th consecutive regional championship

NIFA Region III SAFECON
First overall in flight and ground events

Top pilot: Dylan Van Holton

Next: Nationals
Oshkosh, Wisconsin • May 2027



Broncos Rising

Michigan Fulbright Symposium

2026 Program of the Year

Fulbright Association



Dr. Michelle Metro-Roland



Dr. Shannon McMorrow

International Education Week

Nov. 8–15, 2026

Fulbright awards for faculty and staff

Nov. 11, 11 a.m.–noon • Virtual

Fulbright information table

Nov. 12, 1 to 3 p.m. • Waldo Library

Conversation Circle Thanksgiving Potluck

Nov. 12, 3 to 4 p.m. • 1024 Lee Honors College
Bring a favorite international dish to share.

Fulbright US Scholar workshop

Nov. 13, 11 a.m. to noon • Virtual

Broncos Rising

Advancing welcoming STEM learning environments



Dr. Tara Lepore

Mallinson Institute for Science Education
Geological and Environmental Sciences

Invited speaker

Geological Society of America annual meeting

Research focus

Partnerships between STEM students and instructors that affirm and support neurodivergent learners

Student scholarship

Erin Hunter, undergraduate: presentation co-author
Frederick Magi, doctoral student: research presenter