Students from underrepresented racial/ethnic populations and/or students who have recently lived as members of underrepresented populations in other cultures are eligible to receive Whitworth’s Diversity Leadership Scholarship. The $2,000 Diversity Leadership Scholarship recognizes opportunities for recipients to serve the Whitworth community in formal and informal settings, including hosting and connecting with prospective students, leading student clubs or events in the Intercultural Student Center, and serving as cultural-diversity advocates.

The Diversity Leadership Scholarship is awarded in addition to all other academic scholarships and need-based financial aid available to students. The average total financial aid award for 2015 freshmen was $32,359. Also, 85 percent of Whitworth graduates finish in four years, avoiding extra tuition costs and delays in entering the workforce.

VISIT CAMPUS AS OUR guest

There is no better way to discover whether Whitworth is the right place for you than to experience it for yourself. Most visits include an admissions presentation, campus tour, meals in our recently expanded dining hall, a class visit (selected by you), information for parents, a current student panel, and individual appointments with professors or coaches upon request. Spanish-speaking campus tours are available upon request. Students from underrepresented racial/ethnic backgrounds are especially encouraged to attend our Multicultural Visit Program (MVP), but are welcome for any of our visit programs. Sign up for a campus visit online at www.whitworth.edu/visit.

- Multicultural Visit Program (MVP)
  April 7-9, 2016
  High school juniors and seniors share their diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives in our specially designed overnight visit program.
  www.whitworth.edu/mvp

“Of all the universities I visited, nothing compared to Whitworth’s community. The professors offered a different perspective than I’d seen other places; they were much more engaging with students. I also appreciated hearing about Whitworth’s commitment to diversity and how up front they are about what diversity means to Whitworth, why it’s important, and how we as students could be part of Whitworth’s vision to be a more diverse and inclusive campus.”
  - Tyler Aguilar, ’18

APPLYING TO Whitworth

Whitworth is committed to a holistic review of all applicants – one that goes beyond GPA and SAT scores to identify all students who have the potential to succeed at Whitworth and contribute to our community. Our application requirements include:

- our online Whitworth Freshman Application or Common Application;
- one Academic Recommendation Form or a recommendation letter;
- an official high school transcript;
- official SAT or ACT scores OR an admissions interview.*

*Applicants with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above from an accredited high school or an accredited home-school program may choose to have a phone interview with an admissions counselor rather than submit SAT or ACT scores.

For More Information

If you have questions, or if you would like more information about Whitworth University, please contact one of the following individuals:

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Habla Espanol?

Para informacion en Espanol sobre las admisiones y la ayuda financiera de Whitworth, dirijase a la pagina: www.whitworth.edu/espanol.
Whitworth University’s enduring mission is “to provide its diverse student body an education of mind and heart, equipping its graduates to honor God, follow Christ and serve humanity.” It is with great joy and thankfulness that I can say our students, faculty, staff and senior leadership recognize the vital role diversity, equity and inclusion play in our ability to achieve that mission.

At the heart of the Whitworth 2021 Vision and Strategic Plan, the university commits to preparing all members of our community to be interculturally competent global citizens and to encourage our community to be interculturally competent global citizens and to

We surveyed all students, staff and faculty to learn how we can identify opportunities to integrate more fully the voices and stories of people historically excluded from the curriculum. We completed a comprehensive review of our curriculum to provide campus-wide leadership in diversity, equity and inclusion.

We are strengthening recruitment and retention of faculty and staff, and also are committed to learning more about our underrepresented racial/ethnic populations. We have achieved a 121 percent increase in the enrollment of students from underrepresented racial/ethnic backgrounds over the past five years.

We established an Institutional Diversity Committee and a Diversity Cabinet to provide campus-wide leadership in diversity, equity and inclusion.

We welcomed you to join us in this journey!

• 2,260 undergraduate enrollment
  • 59.9% female
  • 41.1% male
  • 33 states represented
  • 38 countries represented
  (South Korea, Germany, Dominican Republic, Nigeria, Hong Kong are most represented)
  • 22.1% of students are from underrepresented racial/ethnic populations
  • 90% of graduates from underrepresented racial/ethnic populations finish in four years.
  • 10.1% of faculty, administrators and staff are from underrepresented racial/ethnic populations.

DIVERSE ENROLLMENT

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• Cultural Awareness Week
• Annual International Festival
• Step Into Social Identity and steps to social activism
• Associated Students of Whitworth University (ASUW)
• Asian American Student Association
• Exceptional Praise Gospel Choir
• Global Servants for Christ
• H.H.L.A. (Heritage of Latin Americans)
• International Club
• International Justice Mission
• Japanese Visual Culture Club
• Latin Student Union
• Na Pu/awai O Hawai’i (Hawai’ian Club)
• Pratis (HINDI)
• Spanish Club
• Spokane Dream Project
• Students for Education Reform (SER)
• Black Student Union

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

• Associate Vice President for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
• Assistant Dean of Student Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
• Director of Student Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

CURRICULAR RESOURCES

• Asian Studies Minor
• Community Engagement and Transformation Minor
• Cross Cultural Studies Major
• International Studies Major
• Latin American Studies Minor
• Law and Justice Minor
• Social Service and Community Action Track
• U.S. Cultural Studies Minor

SPOKEAN RESOURCES

• Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity March
• Unity in the Community
• Spokane 7K Walk/Run
• Hispanic Heritage Festival
• Spokane International Film Festival
• Gathering at the Falls Pow Wow
• National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Spokane Branch
• Hispanic Business Professional Association of Spokane (HBPA)

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As the 2015-16 ASYWU cultural events coordinator, I am thrilled to serve with such amazing administrators, leaders, and students to work toward making Whitworth a comfortable, open, and safe environment for everyone. I am excited about the work Whitworth is doing to promote diversity and intercultural relations, and I am honored to be a small part in the greater mission.”

- Kaysee-Li Tomkins, ’16

Student Multicultural Events, Clubs & Organizations*

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* Clubs are subject to change based on yearly student interest and leadership.

"The ISC holds my memories of dance parties, different languages, enjoying a meal from anywhere in the world, International Club meetings, and many student leaders and their activist spirits. You always have the ISC a little more knowledgeable than when you came in, and it’s a home I will return to visit often, even as an alumna.”

- Alma Aguilar, ’15