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Welcome

When you have a purpose, you have a plan. WCSU is here to help you put it into action. Choose from a wide range of high quality, career-oriented academic programs. Pursue excellence with expert faculty, world-class facilities and state-of-the-art technology.

Our small class sizes and inclusive atmosphere give you access to one-on-one learning – and ensure your voice is always heard.

Trains and buses get you to NYC in about an hour and a half and to Boston in three hours. And our metro location is a draw for accomplished professors and renowned guest speakers.

Danbury is a fun, diverse small city with lots of shopping, restaurants, recreation and historic sites.

We look forward to meeting you at our Fall Open House or on a campus tour.

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To the new WCSU.



Break the Mold

Welcome to our new-look viewbook – and branding. WCSU is a place of transformation and growth, and our refreshed look reflects that. Progressive and purposeful, it brings us into the now while staying true to our roots. Our new shield emblem is a powerful frame that allows us to capture and give shape to your diverse stories

and pathways. It confidently shifts and adapts with context and environment, showcasing the vibrant, transformative nature of the WCSU experience. Education shapes who we are and who we will become, so let's celebrate that journey.



Give your future your all.
Live your purpose with
degree programs built to
turn dreams into goals.

Ancell School of Business

We shape Accounting, Marketing, Justice and Law Administration and many more degrees into real-world experiences that prepare you for the career world.

School of Professional Studies

Explore the health care, education and social work fields with cooperative education internships and guidance from faculty members.

Macricostas School of Arts & Science

The largest school of the four focuses on programs of study that include writing, mathematics, languages, history and the sciences — enabling students to explore a variety of interests in a liberal arts-based environment.

School of Visual & Performing Arts

Art, Music and Theatre Arts are housed in the state-of-the-art Visual and Performing Arts Center, providing a multitude of dynamic spaces in the form of an art gallery, concert hall, two theatres and a recording studio where artists of all disciplines can create and exhibit their work.



The extraordinary happens here.

Ancell School of Business

Accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (www.aacsb.edu), the Ansell School of Business offers bachelor's degrees in Accounting, Finance, Management, Management Information Systems and Marketing, as well as master's degrees in Business Administration and Health Administration. The Justice and Law Division within the school also provides opportunities to pursue studies in Corrections, Probation, Parole and Offender Rehabilitation, Law Enforcement, Legal Studies, Paralegal Studies and Criminology. Many of the Ansell School's teaching faculty remain active in their areas of expertise — providing real-world opportunities for students at site visits, professional presentations, and internship and co-op connections. The university's annual Ansell Day allows students of all majors to learn more about ASB programs for consideration as a second major or a minor field of study. Build your business acumen and empower your success in corporate, entrepreneurial, financial, legal, philanthropic business and more.





School of Professional Studies

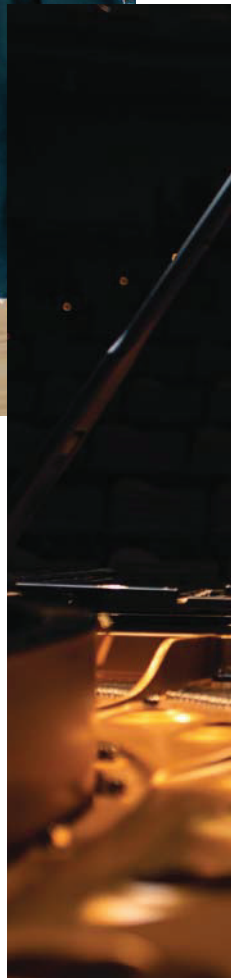
Fuel your personal and professional goals with undergraduate degrees in Education, Health Promotion, Nursing or Social Work; master's degrees in Nursing and Education and Educational Psychology; and doctoral degrees in Education and Nursing. You will have the ability to work in our state-of-the-art Nursing SIM labs, attend the annual Social Work Symposium or present and learn at the Health and Wellness Fair in the spring. With a liberal arts basis, our courses integrate theory and practice through experiential classroom contexts and applied internships.





Macricostas School of Arts & Sciences

We're the heart of the general education curriculum. Home to 13 departments, 18 undergraduate majors and five graduate majors, we instill confidence in communication, writing, mathematics, history, languages, political sciences, the sciences and analytic thought. Go forward with internships and co-ops locally, regionally and in New York. Transform your future with Fulbright awards, graduate school scholarships or graduate education in medicine, law, teaching and more.



School of Visual & Performing Arts

Follow your creative passions with a conservatory-level education at public university costs. Just 60 miles from downtown NYC, we draw from the talent and resources rooted there, enriching our local arts community with quality arts programming and a competitive arts education. Our community of working artists is here to help you seek excellence in Music, Visual Arts or Theatre Arts (accredited by the National Association of Schools of Theatre).



Aim above. Go beyond.



Undergraduate Programs:

Accounting Financial, Managerial

American Studies English, History

Anthropology/Sociology

Applied Computing

Art Graphic Design, Illustration, Photography, Studio Art

Biology Professional, Bioscience, Ecological

Business Administration/Undeclared

Chemistry Biochemistry General, Biochemistry ACS Approved

Chemistry Professional, Chemistry ACS Approved

Communication
Communication Studies

Computer Science

Cyber Security

Contract Major

Digital Interactive Media Arts

Earth & Planetary Sciences

Economics Applied Studies

Education (Elementary 1–6)
Interdisciplinary

Education (Secondary 7–12)
Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, English, History with Social Studies minor, Mathematics, Spanish

English (Literature)

Finance Financial Management, Financial Investments & Markets

Health Education (PK–12)

Health Promotion Studies Allied Health, Community Health, Holistic & Integrative, Wellness Management

History

Interdisciplinary Studies

Justice & Law Administration

Corrections: Probation/Parole & Offender Rehabilitation, Criminology, Law Enforcement, Legal Studies
Paralegal Studies

Liberal Arts (2-Year Associate Degree)

Management Human Resources, Small Business & Entrepreneurial, Supervisory

Management Information Systems
General, Information Security

Marketing General, Digital & Interactive Marketing

Mathematics General, Computer Science

Media Arts Media Production

Meteorology

Music

Music Audio & Music Production, Jazz Studies, Performance (Voice/Instrumental)

Music Education (K–12)

Musical Theatre (BFA)

Nursing

Nursing RN to BSN

Political Science

Professional Writing Business & Technical, Creative, Journalism & Public Relations

Psychology

Social Sciences General, Anthropology/Sociology, Family, Global, Multicultural

Social Work

Spanish

Theatre Arts Design/Technology, Management, Performance, Theatre Studies

Undeclared/Exploratory Studies



“I discovered that nurses are involved in creating policies to improve refugees’ qualities of life and they also work on the monetary level to determine the allocation of resources for the refugees. This reminded me that nursing is not just a science and an art, but that we are involved in politics, business and global affairs. We can go anywhere and do anything.”

– Abigail Lynch '18, B.S. Nursing



WCSU's Nursing program is ranked in the top 20 Nursing schools in the New England region. Our NCLEX-RN pass rates are 94 to 100 percent for graduating B.S. classes in nursing since 2004.



WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION

Go beyond the expected.
Reshape your horizons with
knowledge that takes you
out into the world.

Beyond Campus

Stretch your mind and broaden your experiences with study-abroad options, faculty-led trips, research-based excursions and the ability to present your findings at national and international conferences in multiple disciplines.

International Student Exchange Program

WCSU has more than 300 study-abroad sites on six continents. Immerse yourself in the unique opportunity to live like a local through your WCSU experience.



Go ahead. Stay ahead.



WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION

Greatness awaits.





Stunning landmarks like the Temple Expiatori del Sagrat Cor in Barcelona await students who participate in the summer study-abroad in Spain program.

Making a mark on the world, at home and abroad.



Field Work Changes the Classroom Perspective

In addition to travel opportunities that utilize the world as a classroom, WCSU students can also stay close-to-home by getting hands-on experience in the university's Permaculture Garden, Westside Nature Preserve, or at one of several area lakes examining water samples — the research opportunities are endless. With federal and local grant funding, students can work alongside faculty both overseas and across town studying microorganisms, infectious insects, animal migration patterns, and more.



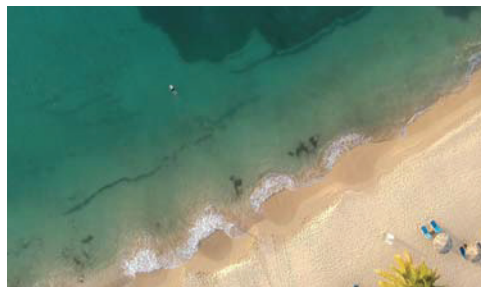
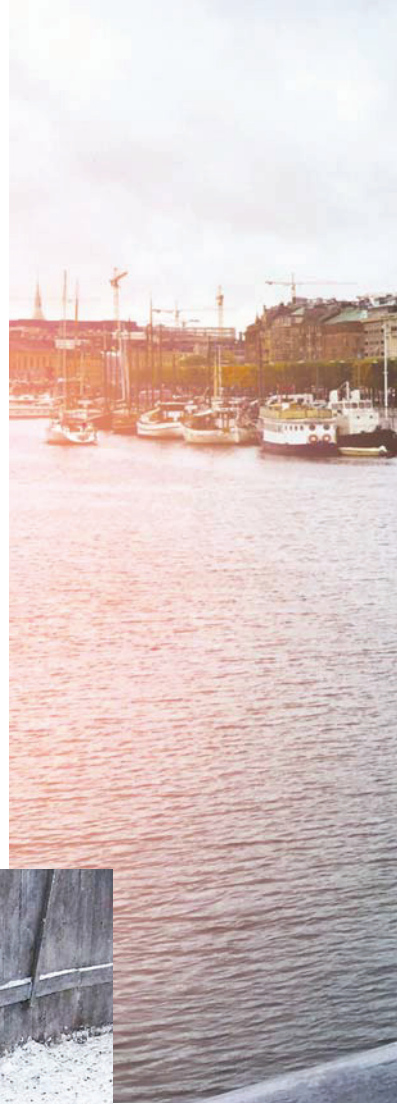
WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION

Excellence is the new normal.

Beyond Campus

As a student, Allison Vas was a member of the Education Club and the Newman Club, with which she made mission trips to Jamaica and the Dominican Republic. She also traveled to Louisiana with Habitat for Humanity, and spent a semester at the Disney College Program in Lake Buena Vista, Florida. Thanks to a Fulbright Scholarship, she also spent nine months in Europe teaching English at a primary school in Estonia.

Estonia



Jamaica





Louisiana

Dominican Republic



Florida



ACTIVE & INVOLVED

Find your community.
Get involved in clubs, teams
and activities and pursue
what inspires you.

Get involved

Join and become a part of the Programs Activities Council, Student Government Association or one of our 75+ clubs and organizations on campus that create a close-knit or adventure-seeking environment.

Intramural and club sports

Get active with a variety of indoor and out-on-the-field athletic activities like our Rec After Dark events, recreation swim hours or the annual Muddy Chuck Challenge.

Playing hard is easy here

Pursue your dreams of playing a college sport. All 18 sports teams are NCAA Division III and participate in the Little East Conference or the Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference.



Forward, together.

ACTIVE & INVOLVED



Victory loves company.



Born to achieve.

Get Involved

Campus clubs represent a wide variety of interests and you can always fill a void by starting your own. Check out the WCSU student-run newspaper and radio station. Attend campus events like the weekly Coffeehouse, film screenings, Clubs Carnival, Fresh Check Day, WestFest and the Homecoming Street Fair. Sign up for trips to Broadway shows, the Big E, Six Flags, Boston, for skiing and adventure trips, or humanitarian travel.



Intramural and Club Sports (Recreation)

Sports don't always have to be competitive. Take a day with a group of friends and sign up for a kickball or dodgeball tournament. Or make more teammates by coming together each week for indoor volleyball, soccer or flag football.



Challenge the ordinary.

D3 Sports Teams

- Baseball (M)
- Basketball (M, W)
- Cross Country (M, W)
- Field Hockey (W)
- Football (M)
- Golf (M)
- Lacrosse (M, W)
- Soccer (M, W)
- Softball (W)
- Swimming & Diving (M, W)
- Tennis (M, W)
- Volleyball (W)

ACTIVE & INVOLVED



Playing hard is easy here

Stay fit and active while having a great time — including cheering on our Colonials as they take on rival teams. Both men and women belong to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III.

Get motivated with facilities such as our Westside Athletic Complex with a 2,500-seat stadium and the 80,000-square-foot O'Neill Center with a pool, arena and more.

Take advantage of our playing fields, basketball and tennis courts and fitness centers with intramural and club sports that range from 5-on-5 basketball to softball, dodgeball and soccer.

The Westside Athletic Complex



ACTIVE & INVOLVED



– Quinn Fleeting '18,
Management Information Systems



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The Ansell School of
Business MIS courses are
certified 100% compliant
with the National Standard
for Information Systems
Security Professionals.

“Stay focused and don’t get distracted by things outside your studies. For student-athletes, make sure you have great time management as far as sports and your studies. If your goal after college is to play a sport, that’s fine, but make sure you keep your studies in place because sports will always be temporary, but your success and knowledge is forever.”



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

**Blaze your own trail.
Advance your career with
valuable internships and
strategic leadership programs.**

Hancock Student Leadership Program

Hands-on learning experiences that stretch your interests, passion and future plans.

Career Success Center

Attend the Annual Career Fair, learn from resume and LinkedIn workshops, and connect with alumni from WCSU about mentoring opportunities and entry-level jobs.



Claim your future.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



Gain experience in your field of study while earning credit and usually a competitive salary through a co-op or internship, which in some cases can lead you to your future job.

Utilize the Career Success Center's many resources to further your job search: career fairs, workshops and job coaching, searchable employer databases, speed networking, alumni connections and more are right at your fingertips.





Carve your own path with the Hancock Student Leadership Program. Undertake a semester-long leadership shadowing field experience or a leadership project under the mentorship of a community leader and improve your ability to inspire, motivate and influence others.

WCSU studies will take you far — and offer exceptional returns. According to the 2017 Payscale.com survey, WCSU's return on investment is the highest among Connecticut public universities and sixth highest of the public and private colleges and universities in Connecticut.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



Brittany Schappach, a recent biology department graduate who works as a research assistant for the WCSU Tickborne Disease Prevention Laboratory, found the first evidence of a rare, invasive tick in Connecticut. The research is funded by a grant from the Centers for Disease Control.



The Department of Theatre Arts has hosted the Region One Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF) for three years in a row, providing students the opportunity to stage a large-scale performance before their collegiate peers and a panel of Kennedy Center adjudicators — resulting in a multitude of awards and invitations to the national festival in Washington, D.C.



Drs. Edwin Wong and Ghada Salah Hafez and their biology students study microscopic cyanobacteria (formerly known as “blue-green algae”) that have caused recent nationwide health concerns. Part of that research entails weekly sampling and reporting to local health directors on conditions at public beaches.



Go out and get it.



“After having great introductory accounting professors, performing well in those classes and speaking with the faculty about what I can do with an undergraduate degree and future academic pursuits in accounting — and my first internship, which only reaffirmed my decision — I switched my major to financial accounting. While freshmen do not need to know what they are doing for the rest of their lives by tomorrow, it is best to begin looking into a possible route. Because without some foundation or idea of what that student wants to do by the end of their freshman year, that’s when the student only delays their discovery of what will make them happy.”

“WCSU has limitless resources to assist students with their individual pursuits.”

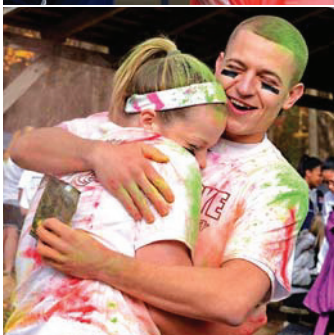
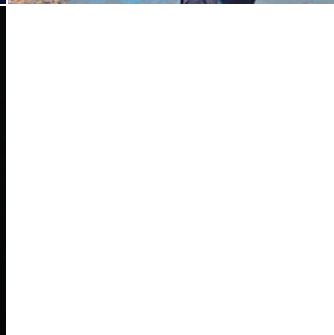
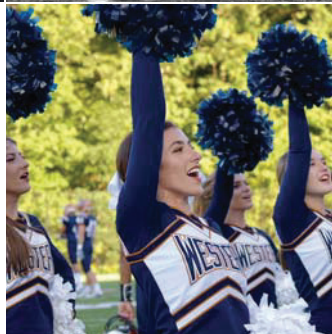
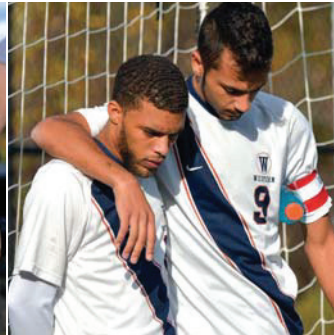
– Jessie Bajwa '18, B.S. Financial Accounting



Students in the Financial and Managerial Accounting programs have the option(s) to sit for the Certified Public Accountant exam or the Certificate in Management Accounting exam.



CAMPUS LIFE



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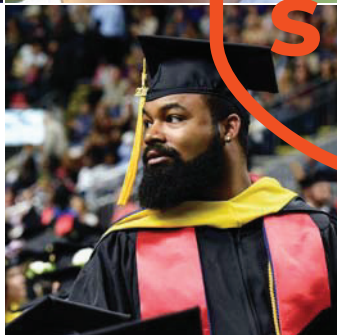
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WORLD.



Build relationships.



FAST FACTS

Academic Advisement Center
AccessAbility Services
Ancell Learning Commons
Career Success Center

Math Clinic
Tutoring Resource Center
24-hour Computer Labs
Writing Center

8 GREAT RESOURCES

5,082

Undergraduate Students

5,664

Total Students at WCSU

582

Graduate Students

51

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

2

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Haas & Young Libraries are open

16

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

24/7

during exam weeks

WCSU by the numbers.



Westside



• Danbury

Midtown



Danbury Fair Mall

2 campus locations

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STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO



90%

of full-time faculty
have doctorates

and other approved terminal degrees



1.5 hr

TRAIN RIDE TO NYC

The Westside Nature Preserve (WNP)

33-acre

tract of land serves as a laboratory, backdrop for our art students and an outdoor venue for Fall and Spring time events. Trails and grounds are maintained year-round.



WCSU STUDENTS STUDY ABROAD IN

300+

LOCATIONS IN

50+

COUNTRIES



100

scholarships
given through the
WCSU Foundation

Awarding almost \$450,000 to
about 250 students each year.





ENROLLMENT

WCSU changes lives by providing all students with a high-quality education that fosters their growth as individuals, scholars, professionals and leaders in a global society.

**Our vision:
To be widely
recognized as a
premier public
university with
outstanding
teachers and
scholars who
prepare students
to contribute to
the world in a
meaningful way.**

WCSU is a place of transformation.

Our learning atmosphere is enriched by new facilities and landscaping – and the warm welcome that sets us apart. Visit us and speak to our Admissions personnel about programs and the admission process. Join us for a campus tour available daily with one of our student guides and learn about WCSU first-hand.

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