

Overview

According to Cappex.com:

Tuition: 6037

Cost of Attendance: 17,625

Average Net Price: 13,008

School Code: 005498

About WSU Tech

WSU Tech was originally founded in 1895 as a public, nonprofit and co-ed institute in Wichita, Kansas. Today, it has over a hundred degree and certificate programs for students to choose from and enroll in. The university offers a wide range of programs that provide professional, qualified experiences in the academy. In order to cater to students who favor convenience and budget, short-term certification programs and even online courses are provided. Its highest degree offered are associate programs, with the student-faculty ratio standing at 16:1.

Currently, there are almost 4,596 enrollments within the 330-acre urban campus, and uses a semester-based calendar. Students and athletic teams were called “Shockers” due to the students generating income by harvesting wheat (or “shocking” wheat)

The **2-year community college** was formerly known as the **Wichita Area Technical College (WATC)**. By July 2018, the university underwent a change in structure; the 2.5-year affiliation between WSU Tech and Wichita State University (WSU) was officially approved, and WSU Tech officially became WSU Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology. It went through another change and was promptly renamed to WSU Tech.

WSU Tech Rankings

WSU Tech holds itself in high regard and that is proved through their rankings. The university ranks high enough to qualify as a National University, which is the highest university level. National Universities promise awards for professional practice doctorates and sufficient faculty research. WSU Tech is also the only institution in Kansas to have made it to the list of the fastest growing colleges at a national level, and also one of the two institutions to make it to the ranks amongst the rest of the higher-education sector itself. All rankings are conducted through in-house analysis by the U.S. Department of Education and are performance-based.

- **Best Colleges: 2020 Edition:** #293-#381
- **U.S. News:** #303 (tied) under Top Performer in Social Mobility. #153 (tied) under Best Engineering Undergraduate Programs.
- **The State of Kansas:** #15 under All-time Best Cities for Students; Avg Graduation Rate at 65.7% compared to National Average of 84.1%
- **Chronicle of Higher Education:** #2 under Fastest Growing Colleges; enrollment rate has seen 418.3% increase.

WSU Tech Admissions

WSU’s admissions are selective in process. Their deadlines for applications are rolling, but this may vary depending on the student’s backgrounds. To give a small background, WSU Tech has been accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and has **over 75 programs** to offer, along with being a member of the North Central Association.

The enrollment process includes:

- Choosing a desired career path
- Submitting the required documents and personal information
- A preferred payment option and opting for financial aid
- A smooth transition and experience in your classes as a first-timer

This can be done with the assistance of an academic advisor, although it is not necessary. But it is definitely recommended for those taking their first steps into a technical college.

Although admissions are rolling, it is important for the candidate to show transcripts that reflect good behaviour and score. So requirements for SAT/ACT and the acceptable GPA will be disclosed. Save for a few certification programs, there is a requirement for GPA and SAT/ACT performance transcripts.

WSU Tech Cost of Attendance

For a student, it’s not the part about figuring out which programs they want to partake in; it’s the monetary numbers behind it. This is understandable. Many programs are difficult to pay for and WSU Tech prides itself on providing programs at affordable prices and presenting

them in simple ways. We've helped break down these values into more friendly infographics so you won't have to spend a lot of time sifting through pages and feeling stuck about what the relevance of the numbers are.

Although the payment structure remains the same among all the programs, the payment amount can differ from program to program. A Net Price Calculator is offered to you on WSU Tech's website to help you determine many factors that will lead to the final estimated amount you would need to pay in order to pursue a desired program. As of 2019-2020, the estimated numbers are accurate, so there is little need for additional clarifications regarding it.

The section will walk you through the relevant content such as the total cost of attendance, tuition and fees, student loans, cost per credit and even net price by family income. Some of these categories are divided between prices for in-state students and out-state students. The prices may also differ depending on whether you choose between all terms or just one.

WSU Tech Financial Aid

WSU grants financial aid in the form of federal aid. You will first need to submit a FAFSA form, which stands for **Free Application for Federal Student Aid**, and complete the **Student Data Form** online. After doing so, you will have to cooperate with the Financial Aid office by turning in any documents they require. Before completing the FAFSA, it is recommended to you that you clear any remaining tax payments since you will need the latest updated tax data to update the FAFSA with it and receive your financial aid award letter.

In order to receive Financial Aid, you are required to maintain a minimum of 2.0 GPA cumulatively, complete 67% of the coursework and have attempted fewer than 150% of the credits required for your program. WSU Tech already offers resources to alleviate some of the trouble of the process. Keep in mind that financial aid will not be provided to students who are conditionally admitted. Financial aid is also offered exclusively to assist students in paying for classes that are required for their program.

Students who succeed in achieving a financial aid award will be contacted through email sent directly from the WSU Tech Financial Aid Office. This will take you to your myWSU Tech student portal where you will find the award letter inside your account.

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Admission Brief

WSU Tech has a seamless admission process designed to make it feel simpler and smoother for either a student or a parent. They have an open admission policy; if the candidate meets certain minimum requirements, they are eligible to apply. Applying for an admission does not charge you either! The candidate will only need to carry their high school diploma or a GED certificate if they want to be admitted. Since the admission process is rolling throughout the year, candidates may apply anytime.

Application Process

Create an account

You may be required to create a **myWSU account** to keep track of any applications, financial transactions, admissions and programs that you've enrolled in. It's important to know that WSU Tech does not charge the applicant for any application fees; all applications are free of cost.

General Information

In order to receive a **Form I-20** from the university, they will need to provide the following information or documents:

- Copy of passport.
- Proof of financial support.
- Bank statements.

Previous Academic Records

Any educational transcripts that you may have from previous institutions will be required for processing during the admission process. Your application will be processed based on your performance in these institutions, including your GPA score and SAT/ACT scores.

Admissions Resources

WSU Tech offers academic consultants who offer to help students figure out what they must do during their admission process. They will provide you with relevant information or guide you in taking the right steps to ensure that the process goes smoothly. Career services will also help determine and evaluate your results.

The official website offers online services to those who are doing it through the portal. In-person services are also provided for those wanting to apply at the campus, however an appointment would first need to be made so you may queue for a phone meeting. For more information, [please follow this link](#).

Employment Benefits

WSU Tech is rather driven by their mission to provide the best opportunities through the most generous offers. Which is why they have a passion to support their own employers with amazing benefits. This includes:

- **Paid vacations and leaves**
- **Robust insurance plans**
- **Learning Quest/529 Educational Savings Plan**
- **K-12 Student Success Program**
- **Tuition Waiver Program**
- **457(b) Retirement Plans**
- **Shocker store discounts**

Financial Aid

During the application process, you may opt for any financial aid you may require. In order to qualify for a financial aid program, you will need to fill a FAFSA form and submit it for processing. Once that is done, depending on the result, you may opt for the appropriate aid offered to you.

Additional Materials

Licensure information, assessments and other admissions requirements may be required if there are any additional steps to take. You may take a look at the Admission Requirements below to see what else may be involved in the admission process.

Submit application

When you are finally done with any forms and meet all the requirements based on your application, you may submit it either to the responsible advisors either in person or through a postal service, or via your account if you are applying online.

Class Enrollment

In order to enroll in a program, you will need to speak with an academic advisor after completing the enrollment checklist. Any appointments are conducted virtually or via phone call. This is only applicable to students whose applications have been accepted. Class enrollment for all campuses is done either at **WSU South** or **National Center for Aviation Training (NCAT)**.

SAT Score Requirements

WSU Tech requires candidates to possess at least a minimum of 490 points. Since there is a lot of emphasis given to Critical Reading and Writing, the minimum requirement for that section is 410. The combined score will need to be 1050 or higher.

ACT Score Requirements

Each section would require a minimum score of 18 or higher. Although the composite score is 21 or higher. The English section will require a score of 20.

Note: Candidates who **do not** meet the minimum requirements for English for both SAT **or** ACT will be required to enroll in the **Intensive English Language Center**.

Estimated GPA / Average GPA Requirements

WSU Tech requires candidates to possess a minimum of 2.0 College GPA on a 4.0 GPA scale if they want to qualify for admission. They will also need at least 24 credits to apply.

Admissions Requirements

Requirements vary among different students, be it a freshman or a transfer student or otherwise. According to WSU Tech's requirements for applying, we get a good understanding of what they want, which include a mandatory GPA. If the student is offered an admission, then they must provide financial resources to support graduate work in the U.S. High school transcripts are required if the student has had any schooling/university experience.

SAT/ACT scores are required in some programs. You will need to refer to the programs available and acquire more information about their requirements from their official website or by contacting their representatives.

Students will also require proficiency in the English language if they want to be accepted in the college. For non-native speakers, they will require their TOEFL results that reflect at least a score of 500 in a written test, 173 in a computer-based test and 94 on the internet test lest they cannot board their classes or will be subjected to additional practicing courses.

Application Deadline

Deadlines for the applications are rolling; you may enroll for any course in the university any time. If you are a transfer or an international student, your application is only acceptable during the major seasons along with the last submission dates, i.e.:

- **Spring:** December 1
 - **Summer:** April 1
 - **Fall:** April 15
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Cost of Attendance

Tuition and Fees

In WSU Tech, the average tuition and fees amount to about **\$4,206**. When it comes to undergraduate prices, the tuition and fees amount to **\$6,037**. Tuition payment plans are available to explore under the Financial Aids page. Since the university doesn't offer on-campus services, they are not counted for in the fees.

Aside from the structures for tuition, fee and other expenses, there can be additional expenses incurred by the student for their program. A good example is the application fee structure listed below. Different payment amounts determine the quality and speed of the delivery.

- **UG Basic Service** charges an amount of **\$75** to deliver the application within 5-6 weeks through a speedy postal service.
- **UG Standard Service** charges an amount of **\$150** to deliver the application within 1-2 weeks through DHL.
- **UG Premium Service** adopts a high priority in both assurance and delivery; an amount of **\$250** will be charged for a guarantee application delivery in 2-3 business days through a trusted postal service, DHL.

Total Cost of Attendance

WSU Tech offers only undergraduate programs. With that said, the total cost of attendance for the university has varied in range over the years. Currently, the total cost of attendance stands at about **\$20,236** and **\$21,077** for in-state students and out-state students, respectively. But when you look at the average costs, they typically come up to about **\$13,875**, excluding any grants and/or scholarships that may help alleviate those costs (or add to them if the candidate becomes ineligible).

Keep in mind, however, that the calculations made to obtain the cost of attendance are estimated.

Average Net Price by Family Income

The net price is decided based on the family income. As you can see, there is a significant difference between the average net price for students with less than **\$48,000** family income and the average net price for students with less than **\$75,000** family income. The average median net price would reach up to **\$12,750**. Net price can also be calculated using WSU Tech's Net Price calculator on their official website.

Depending on the financial aid available to the family or the student, the income bracket may either pay more or less than the overall average costs.

- Family incomes that fall between **\$0 to \$30,000** will have a net price of **\$11,769**.
- Within the income bracket of **\$30,000 to \$48,000**, a net price of at least **\$12,578** is expected. The median net price based on family income is estimated to be **\$12,750**.
- Families that are significantly richer (**\$75,000** or **\$110,000** and above) will incur a net price of at least an average of **\$16,289 to \$16,070**.

Student Loans

Student loans are funds which the university would lend to the student to help them pay for their programs. The student will be expected to repay the loan along with some interest. This can be quite beneficial to those who are either running out of funds, or need additional financial aid.

Cost-Per-Credit Hour

Almost **\$94** per credit hour is dedicated to general education courses while fees are **\$117** per credit hour for both in-state and out-state students, respectively.

Total Campus Expenses

WSU Tech does not offer on-campus services, however they provide off-campus services that students may choose to take up if they wish to. We have also added the fees for book supplies and other educational resources to the table.

The prices for these services are **constant** between both in-state and out-state students, with room and boarding reaching up to **\$10,521** (including meals), and supply costs reaching **\$1,067**.

Undergraduate Tuition and Fees

WSU Tech offers undergraduate degree programs exclusively, with the highest degrees offered being associate degrees. These programs typically last for 2 years. The tuition involved depends entirely on the student's background and what course they are picking up. However, an average estimate sets the undergraduate tuition and fees at a price of **\$6,037** for in-state students and at **\$6,878** for out-state students.

Projected Price

In a 2-year associate degree (along with living expenses), the projected price is estimated to be around **USD\$40,472**. As of the national trend, a **7%** annual increase in the next **2 years** is estimated to occur.

Financial Aid

Financial Aid & Scholarships

Most students require financial assistance for many good reasons. WSU Tech ensures that they meet the appropriate authorities who will help them dissect their needs, and direct them to secure the appropriate form of fund with which they may fund their own education. Depending on the candidate's application and eligibility, they will be open to special benefits or offers, from scholarships to grants.

Scholarships

- **The Wichita Promise Scholarship:** The program offers payment for tuition and fees in return for you to participate and excel in high wage and high demand jobs, along with being provided training, certification and even personal mentorship. It covers tuition costs and fees for specific programs excluding what Pell Grant and Veteran's Educational benefits already cover.
- **Kansas Vocational Scholarship**
- **Nursing Service Scholarship**
- **Kansas Ethnic Minority Scholarship**

If you want to find out more about WSUTech's scholarships, please visit their [Scholarships page](#).

Grants

WSUTech offers federal grants to students through the Pell Grant, which is aimed towards the financially needy. Although the grant does not need to be repaid (so long as your eligibility remains valid), you must submit a filled FAFSA application form.

Aside from the federal grants, WSU Tech also provides the **Trade School Future-TheFuture Mechanic Grant**; an institutional grant that is catered to the potential of future mechanics. Automotive workers are in high demand as of late, and each year, such grants are offered to students who want to become a mechanic and plan to join a vocational school to pursue that career. The grant is a one-time financial gift, with its amount varying from student to student.

Not much has been provided on grants publicly by the university, but you may [contact their representatives](#) anytime to gain access to additional information on them.

Loans

- **Direct Loans:** Students must enroll in at least **6 credit hours per semester** to receive these loans.
- **Private Loans:** Private loans are granted based on your credit score. It is recommended to bring in a cosigner. There are two ways which you can take up a private loan:
 - **WSU Tech Payment Plan:** This plan allows you to pay the loan in monthly installments. No additional charges are made, including interest, but a down payment at the time of application of the payment plan, along with a non-refundable **USD\$30** enrollment fee each semester.
 - **Tax Credits:**
 - For Americans who need to work extra hard to meet their basic financial goals can take up the **Earned Income Tax Credit** program for a good financial boost.
 - The **Child Tax Credit** is a program that reduces the tax for each of your children who qualify to as much as **USD\$1,000**.
 - Education tax can shake up the education costs a bit as well. The **American Opportunity** and the **Lifetime Learning Credit** are education credits that are not only deductible from a taxable income, but are also fully subtracted from the federal income tax.
- **Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS):** A parent may apply for a loan to help their child with educational expenses and costs. It is the former's responsibility to repay the loan in time. In order to find out about the eligibility, the parent will have to complete the PLUS application and pre-approval. The Financial Aid Office will assist the parent with any matters or questions.

Financial Aid Breakdown

In terms of grants, the average annual total grant aid received by 79% of the students goes up to about **USD\$3,767**. The Pell Grant is awarded an average of **USD\$4,305** to 58% of students. Aside from the Pell Grant, the average institute grant offered stands at **US\$2,236** per annum.

With regard to loans, an average of **US\$6,029** is received by 51% of students in the form of Federal Student Loans. Typical monthly loan payment based on a 10-year payment plan slides between US\$57 and US\$147, with the median being **US\$101**.

Overall, the average debt that stands at the time of graduation comes at the total of **US\$6,850**.

Financial Aid based on Family Income

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