

Workforce Investment Fund Campus Reporting Template

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I. Program Data Report

AY22-23

1. Executive Summary

This report includes the following information for WKU during the AY22-23 and is organized into the following subheadings: 1) Executive Summary, 2) Introduction, 3) Healthcare Training Scholarships, 4) Current Tuition and Fees, 5) Student Capacity, 6) Application Statistics, 7) Admission Statistics, 8) Enrollment Duration, 9) Student Loans, 10) Passage Rates on Healthcare Credential Examination, 11) Employment Rate of Graduates, and 12) Financial Barrier Reduction Actions.

The tuition and fees are presented as per credit hour or by semester for in-state and out-of-state students. Also presented are estimated additional program and/or course related fees for the healthcare programs. Many of the WKU healthcare programs have variable hours, so total cost was not calculated.

A few healthcare programs did not reach their enrollment capacity for the past academic year, including the MSN and DNP. The other programs admitted at, or above, their capacity (as determined by accreditation and/or available resources). These admitted student numbers are not reflective of actual enrollment numbers because some admitted students chose not to enroll at WKU. It should be noted that a large majority of our applicants and admitted students are from Kentucky.

WKU offers a variety of health care programs that can be completed in as little as one year (LPN to ASN) to four or more years. The average time to completion for each program is presented, but the number of years to complete a degree can vary by student.

Most recent passage rates on healthcare credentialing examinations are presented. Not all data was available for AY22-23, so the most recent data is reported. The passage rate for



several credentials was quite high with 100% of MEPN, MSN, MAE in Counseling, and the Ed.S. in School Psychology students passing their licensure exams. Average student loan debt was not calculated for all programs this past year. We will work to create a process to collect these data for the report next year.

Employment rates for our healthcare programs were very high, with most programs reporting over 90% employment within 12 months of graduation. Furthermore, the MEPN, DNP, DPT, PsyD, MA in Psychology, Ed.S. in School Psychology, and Dental Hygiene programs reported 100% employment within 12 months of graduation.

Finally, WKU has actively tried to reduce the financial burden on students. We implemented merit scholarships for first-time freshmen that are renewable yearly. Furthermore, other initiatives are available, including the Big Red Backpack program, foundation scholarships, and program specific tuition incentives, which are mentioned in this report.

2. Introduction

The purpose of this report is to present data from AY22-23 related to the following health care programs at WKU: 1) Nursing (ASN, BSN, MSN, DNP), 2) Dental Hygiene (AS, BS), 3) Social Work (BSW, MSW), 4) Physical Therapy (DPT), 5) Clinical Psychology (MA), 6) Educational Counseling (MAE), 7) School Psychology (Ed.S.), and 8) the Addictions Certificate.

Data is presented from the most recent academic year (AY22-23), but some data in this report are from previous years (since not all healthcare credential passage rates are available for 2023). When data are reported on calendar years, it is reported as the most recent calendar year data (2022).

3. Healthcare Training Scholarships

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4. Current Tuition and Fees (Per Credit Hour and/or Semester)

The table below presents information from AY22-23. Tuition and fees are presented per credit hour and/or semester because many of our programs are variable hours.

Program	Estimated In-State	Estimated Out-of-	Estimated
		State	Additional Fees
Nursing (ASN) – 61	\$551 per credit hour	\$551 per credit	\$700 per semester
credit hours		hour	
A.S. or B.S. in Dental	\$5,556 per semester	\$13,500 per	\$500 per semester
Hygiene - 83 or 120	or \$463 per credit	semester or \$1,125	
credit hours		per credit hour	



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Nursing (BSN) – 120 credit hours	\$5,556 per semester or \$463 per credit	\$13,500 per semester or \$1,125 per credit hour	\$400 per semester
Master Entry Professional Nursing (BSN-MSN MEPN Combo Degree)	\$463 per credit for UG courses and \$607 per credit hour for GR courses	\$917 per credit for UG courses and \$1,125 per credit hour for GR courses	\$400 per semester
MSN and Post-MSN Certificate	\$607 per credit hour	\$917 per credit hour	
Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) – 120 credit hours	\$5,556 per semester or \$463 per credit	\$13,500 per semester or \$1,125 per credit hour	\$1,520
Master of Social Work (Traditional) - 60 credit hours	\$607 per credit hour	\$917 per credit hour	\$760
Master of Social Work (Advanced) Standing – 30 credit hours)	\$607 per credit hour	\$917 per credit hour	\$380
Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) – 36 to 76 credit hours	\$663 per credit hour	\$858 per credit hour	\$221 per credit hour
Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)	Tuition only: \$601 per credit hour (\$70,918 total over 3 years)	Tuition only: \$867 per credit hour (\$102,306 total over 3 years)	\$42.22 per credit and; \$300 per semester program fees (\$7,656 total over 3 years)
Doctor of Applied Psychology (PsyD) - 48, 51 or 96 credit hours	\$620 per credit hour	\$917 per credit hour	\$207 per credit hour
MA Psychology - 48 credit hours	\$607 per credit hour \$29,136 total	\$917 per credit hour \$44,016 total	?
MAE Counseling - 60 hours	\$607 per credit hour \$36,420	\$917 per credit hour \$55,020 total	?
School Psychology Ed.S 66 hours	\$607 per credit hour \$40,062 total	\$917 per credit hour \$66,522	?
Addictions Certificate - 15 hours	\$607 per credit hour \$9,105 total	\$917 per credit hour \$13,755 total	?



5. Student Capacity

The table below presents information about the student capacity for each of our healthcare programs. The enrollment is listed as per cohort and/or total annually. If there is a limit it is based on accreditation limitations. Some programs could grow in the future if we had additional faculty, staff, and physical space.

Program	Annual Student Capacity	Narrative
LPN to ASN	144 annually	Accredited for this amount
BS in Dental Hygiene	28 per cohort (56 total)	Accredited for this amount
BSN	120 per cohort (240 total)	Accredited for this amount
MEPN	20 per cohort (40 total)	
MSN and post-MSN	60 annually	
BSW	100 per cohort (200 total)	Accredited for this amount
MSW Traditional	32 per cohort (64 total)	Accredited for this amount
MSW Advanced Standing	32 per cohort (32 total)	Accredited for this amount
DNP	30 annually	
DPT	32 per cohort (96 total)	Accredited for this amount
PsyD	10 annually	
MA Psychology	5 to 10 annually	
MAE Counseling	No limit	
School Psychology Ed.S.	12 annually	
Addictions Certificate	No limit	

6. Application Statistics

The table below presents the **total qualified** applications received for enrollment in each healthcare program with a breakdown of in-state and out-of-state applications for each program.

Program	Total Qualified Applications Received	In-State	Out-of-State
LPN to ASN	345	189	156
BS in Dental Hygiene	101	70	31
BSN	240	183	57
MEPN	14	13	1
MSN	43	27	16
BSW	102	Unsure	Unsure
MSW (Both tracks)	71	60	11
DNP	13	9	4
DPT	143	79	64
PsyD	12	8	4



MA Psychology	20	13	7
MAE Counseling	46	37	9
School Psychology	14	11	3
Ed.S.			
Addictions	12	10	2
Certificate			

7. Admission Statistics

The table below presents **total admitted** students for each healthcare program with a breakdown of in-state and out-of-state applications for each program. This is the total number of admitted students per program but is not reflective of final enrollment numbers.

Program	Total Admitted	In-State	Out-of-State
	Students		
LPN to ASN	175	75	100
BS in Dental Hygiene	55	39	16
BSN	179	136	43
MEPN	11	9	2
MSN	26	19	7
BSW	102	Unsure	Unsure
MSW (Both tracks)	92	55	37
DNP	9	7	2
DPT	143	81	62
PsyD	6	Unsure	Unsure
MA Psychology	13	6	7
MAE Counseling	38	29	9
School Psychology	12	Unsure	Unsure
Ed.S.			
Addictions	8	6	2
Certificate			

8. Enrollment Duration

The table below presents the number of years it takes for a student to graduate from each of the health care programs. There are many factors that can affect time to graduation, so the numbers reported below are the minimum years to graduate (unless they transfer to WKU with existing credit hours.

Program	Years to Graduation
LPN to ASN	1 year (3 semesters)
BS in Dental Hygiene	4 (2 general education + 2 DH)
BSN	4 (2 general education + 2 nursing)



MEPN	2 years (including summers)
MSN	Post-MSN Certificate (3-4 semesters)
	MSN PMHNP 3 years
BSW	4 (2 general education + 2 SW)
MSW Traditional	2+ (can take longer if they go part-time)
MSW Advanced Standing	1+ (can take longer if they go part-time)
DNP	3+
DPT	3
PsyD	4
MA Psychology	2+
MAE Counseling	2+
School Psychology Ed.S.	3
Addictions Certificate	1+

9. Student Loans

The table below presents student loan data for our health care programs. We were unable to assess data for all programs in the amount of time to prepare this report. We will work to ensure that we have these data for future years.

Program	Average Total Debt Load	Narrative
LPN to ASN	Unknown	
BS in Dental Hygiene	Unknown	
BSN	Unknown	
MEPN	\$33,794	Average debt for all MSN graduates
MSN	\$33,794	Average debt for all MSN graduates
BSW	Unknown	
MSW Traditional	Unknown	
MSW Advanced Standing	Unknown	
DNP	\$48,689	
DPT	\$112,278.17 (2022 Graduates)	This includes their debt at time of admission to DPT program. We don't have these data for 2023 graduates yet.
PsyD	Unknown	
MA Psychology	Unknown	
MAE Counseling	Unknown	
School Psychology Ed.S.	Unknown	
Addictions Certificate	Unknown	



10. Passage Rates on Healthcare Credential Examination

The table below presents the passage and first-time passage rates of graduates from each healthcare program on the healthcare credential examination.

Program	First-Time Passage Rate	Narrative
LPN to ASN	70% (2022)	Spring 2023 incomplete
	90% (spring 2023)	because rates are reported by
		calendar year.
BS in Dental	92.86% (NBDHE written exam)	
Hygiene	100% for clinical board exam	
BSN	86.4% (2022)	
MEPN	90% NCLEX (Fall 2022)	
	100% NCLEX (Spring 2023)	
MSN	MSN pass rate = 100%	
	Post-MSN Certificate = 89%	
BSW	50% (2018-2021 Graduates)	
MSW Traditional	Master's Exam = 65.4% (2018-	Ultimate pass rate = 73.5%
	2021 Graduates)	(8/22)
	Clinical Exam = 70.8% (2018-	Ultimate pass rate = 83.6%
	2021 Graduates)	(8/22)
MSW Advanced	Master's Exam = 65.4% (2018-	Ultimate pass rate = 73.5%
Standing	2021 Graduates)	(8/22)
	Clinical Exam = 73.5% (2018-	Ultimate pass rate = 83.6%
	2021 Graduates)	(8/22)
DNP	DNP-FNP = 93%	
DPT	89.7% (2022 Graduates)	
PsyD	Not Applicable	
MA Psychology	91.3%	
MAE Counseling	100%	
School Psychology	100%	
Ed.S.		
Addictions	Not Applicable	
Certificate		

11. Employment Rate of Graduates

The table below presents the employment rate of graduates from each healthcare program within twelve (12) months after graduation.

Program	Employment Rates	Narrative
LPN to ASN	99%	Within 12 months of
		graduation.



BS in Dental	100%	Of those currently licensed.
Hygiene		
BSN	96% (fall 2022)	
	92% (spring 2023)	
MEPN	100% (Fall 2002)	
	100% (Spring 2023)	
MSN	97%	
BSW	80%	
MSW Traditional	90%	
MSW Advanced	90%	
Standing		
DNP	100%	
DPT	100%	
PsyD	100%	
MA Psychology	100%	Including attending doctoral
		program as being employed.
MAE Counseling		
School Psychology	100%	
Ed.S.		
Addictions	Not Applicable	
Certificate		

12. Financial Barrier Reduction Actions

The table below presents WKU's new actions implemented during the reporting year to reduce financial barriers for healthcare professionals, including a description of specific initiatives, programs, or policies introduced.

Program	Financial Barrier Reduction	Narrative
LPN to ASN	Big Red Backpack Program greatly reduced the costs of textbooks and required electronic resources.	Newly implemented program at WKU in AY22-23. The Big Red Backpack program is the title of WKU's partnership with Barnes & Noble College for their First Day® Complete initiative. Big Red Backpack is a course materials delivery program that lowers the cost of course materials and ensures students have their required course materials on the first day of class. The program gives you access to all your course materials.



BSN	Big Red Backpack Program greatly reduced the costs of textbooks and required electronic resources.	Newly implemented program at WKU in AY22-23. The Big Red Backpack program is the title of WKU's partnership with Barnes & Noble College for their First Day® Complete initiative. Big Red Backpack is a course materials delivery program that lowers the cost of course materials and ensures students have their required course materials on the first day of class. The program gives you access to all your course materials.
MEPN	DNP carryforward funds were used to scholarship graduate students in all graduate nursing programs.	materials.
MSN	A new traineeship funds for advanced practice graduate students. DNP carryforward funds were used to scholarship graduate students in all graduate nursing programs.	
MSW	Anyone who is a legal resident of Kentucky and holds a current Kentucky Educator License issued by the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) will be eligible to take any graduate courses at WKU for \$350 per credit hour.	Anyone who is a legal resident of a state that borders Kentucky and holds a current Educator License issued by the Departments of Education in KY, IL, IN, MO, OH, TN, VA, and/or WV will be eligible to take select graduate courses for \$350 per credit hour
DNP	A new traineeship funds for advanced practice graduate students. DNP carryforward funds were used to scholarship graduate students in all graduate nursing programs.	



School Psychology	Anyone who is a legal resident	Anyone who is a legal resident
Ed.S.	of Kentucky and holds a current	of a state that borders Kentucky
	Kentucky Educator License	and holds a current Educator
	issued by the Education	License issued by the
	Professional Standards Board	Departments of Education in KY,
	(EPSB) will be eligible to take	IL, IN, MO, OH, TN, VA, and/or
	any graduate courses at WKU	WV will be eligible to take
	for \$350 per credit hour.	select graduate courses
		for \$350 per credit hour
Addictions	Anyone who is a legal resident	Anyone who is a legal resident
Certificate	of Kentucky and holds a current	of a state that borders Kentucky
	Kentucky Educator License	and holds a current Educator
	issued by the Education	License issued by the
	Professional Standards Board	Departments of Education in KY,
	(EPSB) will be eligible to take	IL, IN, MO, OH, TN, VA, and/or
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		for \$350 per credit hour

13. Conclusion

WKU continues to accept a large majority of healthcare students from Kentucky, which is not only important to our mission, but also helps meet workforce demands in Kentucky.

For this next academic year, we will explore enhanced marketing of the programs that are not enrolled to capacity. Furthermore, a process will be created to collect the average student load debt for each of our students in the healthcare programs.

14. Appendix

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Please submit this monthly report to Leslie Sizemore at <u>leslie.sizemore@ky.gov</u> by the 1st day of August annually, to ensure timely summative reporting and compliance by CPE's September 1 compiled submission deadline.