

KANSAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

The mission of Kansas Wesleyan University is to promote and integrate academic excellence, spiritual development, personal well-being, and social responsibility.

Kansas Wesleyan University Values Kansas Wesleyan University provides an educational program characterized by excellence within a caring community, rooted in the liberal arts tradition. The call of the university is to develop both intellect and character, to stimulate creativity and discovery, to nurture the whole person—body, mind, and spirit. Diversity is encouraged in curriculum, faculty, and students.

Kansas Wesleyan University prepares students not only for careers and professions, but also for lifelong learning. The university equips its students for responsible leadership in their communities, for useful service in and to the world, and for stewardship of the earth.

Kansas Wesleyan University provides a setting in which faith and learning are integrated; encounters with Christian proclamation are an integral part of the life of the university. The university fosters the lively discussion of faith and values, encouraging students to develop a thoughtful personal world view informed by the Christian tradition.

Kansas Wesleyan University Vision Kansas Wesleyan University serves the church, community, and the world by providing a variety of resources for educational, cultural, and spiritual enrichment. The aim of the university is to discover, to build, and to share a higher quality of life and a broader vision of the world.

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INSTITUTIONAL

Advancement

The Advancement Office exists in order to foster a community of shared values by garnering philanthropic support for the educational activities of KWU and enhancing the overall reputation of the institution.

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Albert Nelson Student Success Center

The mission of the student success center is to provide tutoring and other assistance to students to enable them to successfully complete their courses and improve their learning skills, particularly in English/writing skills and math. In addition, the center offers study skills, testing, handouts and Internet

resources which will help students develop the skills and confidence needed to become successful independent learners.

The Success Center will benefit any student who wishes to improve their grades, who needs clarification on information they may have missed in class, who has trouble studying or who gets easily distracted from their academics. Services are provided at no cost to each KWU student and are provided on either a walk in basis or by appointment. The atmosphere is friendly, studious and relaxed.

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Athletics

The mission of Athletics at Kansas Wesleyan University is to build a model National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) program that strives for excellence in academics, athletics, leadership, and service to others, while embracing sportsmanship, respect, responsibility and integrity.

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Yotee's Spirit Store

To provide excellent customer service and quality merchandise at an affordable price to our students, faculty, alumni, staff, and those who support Kansas Wesleyan University.

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Campus Mail

To provide excellent customer service, timely delivery, and confidentiality in support of the campus community and its mission.

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Center of Public Policy and Safety

The mission of the Center of Public Policy and Safety at Kansas Wesleyan University is: To equip students and communities with knowledge, skills and competencies to build and sustain safe, just and resilient societies.

Enrollment Management

For all working in Enrollment Management at Kansas Wesleyan University, our mission is to work in partnership with colleagues and constituents to deliver high quality services which facilitate the recruitment, retention, and graduation of a prepared, motivated, and diverse student population. We strive to provide students and their families a seamless transition from initial inquiry, to enrollment, and through to graduation.

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Finance & Operations

To provide comprehensive and responsive financial and administrative support to all facets of the institution in a constructive and progressive manner that promotes attainment of the institutional mission and goals.

Plant Operations' mission is to maintain, enhance, and further develop the physical plant facilities to support the educational and student developmental mission of the University.

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Human Resources

The mission of the human resource department is to support the goals and challenges of Kansas Wesleyan University by providing services that promote a work environment that is characterized by fair treatment of staff, open communications, personal accountability, trust and mutual respect. We will seek and provide solutions to workplace issues that support and optimize the operating principles of the institution.

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Information Systems

To provide and support secure, reliable technology solutions, resources, and services to students, faculty, and staff within the KWU community in an efficient and cost effective manner that advances KWU's mission and goals.

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Memorial Library

Memorial Library supports the mission of the university by providing resources and space for students, faculty, and staff to develop and integrate academic excellence, spiritual development, personal well-being, and social responsibility.

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Provost

The mission of the Office of the Provost is to support and enhance the academic work of the university to ensure student engagement and success.

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Student Development

The mission of the Student Development office is to create an environment that fosters a student's development emotionally, intellectually, spiritually, and socially from orientation to graduation. The office serves as advocates for the students and provides an administrative channel for all student concerns as they relate to KWU.

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DIVISION

Division of Fine Arts

The Division Fine Arts provides a comprehensive education in the fine arts, humanities, and social sciences in which we encourage our diverse student body to think creatively and critically and to apply their skills and knowledge to support their communities' cultural, civic, and economic growth.

The Division of Fine Arts strives to inspire artistic growth and professional development, while maintaining self-discipline and personal creativity of each student enrolled in the program. Promote the experience of fine arts for a lifetime of creating, exploring, and learning.

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Division of Humanities and Teacher Education

The Division of Humanities provides a comprehensive education in the fine arts, humanities, and social sciences in which we encourage our diverse student body to think creatively and critically and to apply their skills and knowledge to support their communities' cultural, civic, and economic growth.

It is the mission of the Humanities Division to help you cultivate deep insights about yourself and global society while improving the practical talents you'll need in any job — compelling writing, critical reasoning, oral communication, information literacy and research skills.

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Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

The Division of Mathematics & Sciences exists to provide high quality educational experiences in mathematics, computer science and the natural sciences to university students, faculty and staff. In addition, the Division serves as a resource to the local community and beyond through seminars, special programs and consulting services facilitated by our faculty and student organizations. The Division engages in research activities focused in the undergraduate experience and supports student and faculty participation in scientific research, professional development and publication. The Division faculty is committed to helping students become leaders in the service of others, as educators, scientists, health-care professionals and in other vocations. The Division is committed to the principle of "reasoned inquiry" and encourages debate, discussion and inter-disciplinary study relative to all academic endeavors, and reflecting our Judeo-Christian/Catholic traditions.

The Division of Science and Mathematics seek to prepare traditional and non-traditional students to complete bachelor degrees. Programs provide measurable, theoretical, and practical learning experiences which enable students to understand, analyze, and interpret scientific and mathematical concepts, principles, and methods.

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Division of Nursing Education & Health Sciences

The mission of the Division of Nursing Education and Health Sciences, which includes the Department of Nursing and the Department of Sports and Exercise Science, is to offer baccalaureate degrees in their disciplines. The Division seeks to develop professionals who are prepared to serve the diverse global community to support health, wellness and fitness, while growing professionally and engaging in life-long learning.

The mission of the Kansas Wesleyan University Department of Nursing Education baccalaureate program is to prepare students as professional nurse generalists by incorporating the areas of biopsychosocial, behavioral, and spiritual development into the delivery of nursing education so that students may provide client-centered care, pursue graduate studies and continue lifelong learning.

The Department of Sport and Exercise Science provides a hands-on approach to prepare graduates for positions in professional and university athletic programs, community sports organizations, private and public fitness, recreation programs, as well as health and physical education. Students are able to complete their education with authentic experience within the university and community allowing for a realistic experience to education. The Department of Sport and Exercise Science is committed to

educate, mentor, and guide students, faculty, and the community in the development of personal growth, skill acquisition, and lifelong wellness.

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Division of Social Sciences

Members of the Division of Social Sciences provide students with the opportunity to acquire a comprehensive understanding of the developing person and society, along with knowledge of the interaction between the social environment and behavior, in preparation for advanced educational training and/or vocational opportunities.

The mission of the Social Sciences Division is to sustain the values of the liberal arts tradition: to promote critical thinking and inquiry, nurture creative expression, inspire a lifelong love of learning, foster strong and clear communication, and teach students to learn how to learn. We are committed to social and environmental justice and the celebration of diverse human cultures, both local and global.

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DEPARTMENT and/or PROGRAM

Arete

“Arete” is the ancient Greek embodiment of excellence, morality, and virtue. It is the value of pushing oneself to be all that one can be. This is implied in Kansas Wesleyan University’s calling to “develop both intellect and character, to stimulate creativity, discovery, [and] to nurture the whole person – body, mind, and spirit.” Arete – The KWU Honors Program’s mission is to seek to bring out and to develop these characteristics to their fullest among students.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/arete-the-kwu-honors-program>)

Art and Design

It is the mission of the KWU art and design department to develop academic excellence in the visual arts through the practice of a chosen discipline, the awareness of contemporary and historical motivation, both personal and spiritual, and opportunities to grow as responsible members of society.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/fine-arts-division/department-of-art-and-design/art-and-design>)

Behavioral Science & Human Services

The mission of the Behavioral Science and Human Services Department is to foster intelligent and compassionate students capable of critical thinking.

The mission of the KWU Sociology program is to nurture future citizens for their role as international, national, and community leaders who are equipped to promote meaningful social change, to think critically about social issues, and to effectively use scientific data to seek solutions.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/behavioral-sciences/sociology/sociology-program-mission-and-goals>)

Biology

The department especially strives to encourage the development of the following qualities and abilities in its students:

- An appreciation of, curiosity about, and respect for living things and biological processes
- A basic understanding of the important concepts and generalizations in biology
- The ability to critically analyze past, present, and future ideas in biology
- The skills necessary to conduct meaningful biological research in the field, the laboratory, and the library
- The motivation to apply their knowledge of biology to improving their own lives and the global environment
- Ability to successfully pursue advanced degrees or hold jobs related to biology

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/department-of-biology>)

Business and Accounting

The Department of Business and Accounting, using hands-on rigorous instruction, prepares entrepreneurial minded students to critically analyze and make responsible, ethical decisions that lead to organizational and personal success.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/business-and-accounting/accounting/accounting-program-mission-and>)

Chemistry

The Chemistry Department promotes ethical, intellectual and social responsibility through rigorous teaching methods in the chemical sciences that develop students into best practitioners of science.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/node/358/department-of-chemistry/chemistry-program-mission-and-goals>)

Communication, Speech, & Theatre Arts

The Communication Studies and Theatre Arts Department prepares individuals to be reflective communicators of the human condition through practical application of digital media, theatrical and rhetorical arts.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/department-of-communication-studies-and-theatre-arts>)

Computer Studies

The Computer Studies Department functions within Kansas Wesleyan University's mission which "is to promote and integrate academic excellence, spiritual development, personal well-being, and social responsibility", while providing a vast array of excellent computer courses, to enhance the student's education and prepare them for a career in programming, networking, web development, and computer forensics. The Computer Studies Department at Kansas Wesleyan University will challenge the student to develop a robust understanding of computers and their place in today's society while fostering an ethical attitude with personal and professional development.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/department-of-computer-studies/computer-studies-program-mission-and>)

Criminal Justice

The mission of the Bachelor of Arts in criminal justice is to instill students with the ability to place theory into practice while fulfilling the ideals of duty and service.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/criminaljustice/criminal-justice-program-mission-and-goals>)

Emergency Management

The mission of the emergency management major at Kansas Wesleyan University is to give students the theoretical knowledge, practical skills, and the sense of duty necessary to help save lives and property from the devastating impact of disasters.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/http%3A/www.drupal-kwu.com/center-for-public-policy-and-safety-0/emergency-management/emergency>)

English

The mission of the English Department at Kansas Wesleyan University is to develop in all students good writing, critical reading, knowledge of language and literature, and cultural understanding. Students will acquire these abilities by engaging in the vibrancy and real-world applications of English studies, which will include studying timely texts and topics, writing purposefully for multiple audiences using current mediums, and completing successfully a local internship.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/english/english-program-mission-and-goals>)

History

The mission of the Kansas Wesleyan University Department of History is to create highly competent teachers and leaders by developing in our majors and in other students 1) a connection between historical thinking and citizenship; 2) an understanding of the complex nature of the historical record; 3) an ability to engage in historical inquiry, research, and analysis, and 4) an appreciation of ethical responsibility and professional behavior for historians.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/department-of-history/history-program-mission-and-goals>)

Interdisciplinary Studies

The mission of the Interdisciplinary Studies Program is for students to develop coherent and rigorous personal degree plans which address broad or complex questions by integrating multiple intellectual traditions.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/interdisciplinary-studies/interdisciplinary-studies-program-mission>)

Music

It is the mission of the Music Department to provide students with a comprehensive music education by focusing on a theoretical understanding of the musical language (I), the art of performance (II) and the spiritual role music plays, individually and culturally (III).

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/fine-arts-division/music/music-program-mission-and-goals>)

Nursing Education

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(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/division-of-nursing-and-health-science>)

Physics

The mission of the Kansas Wesleyan University Physics Program is to prepare students for the future as professionals and citizens by helping them develop experimental, analytical, and computational techniques in classical and modern physics; to instill ethical values to enable individuals to responsibly engage in the world in which they live; and to be able to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/node/358/department-of-math-and-physics/physics/physics-program-mission-and-goals>)

Psychology

The mission of the Kansas Wesleyan University Psychology program is to develop ethical and analytical students, skilled in communication, and knowledgeable in psychology and the human experience for the purpose of improving human well-being and addressing social concerns.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/behavioral-sciences/psychology/psychology-program-mission-and-goals>)

Religion & Philosophy

The mission of the Religion and Philosophy Department at Kansas Wesleyan University is to integrate faith, learning, and service into students' lives by preparing them in the areas of Bible, philosophy, and spiritual growth.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/religion-philosophy/beginning-the-adventure>)

Social Work

The mission of the Social Work Program at Kansas Wesleyan University is to equip baccalaureate level social workers for a lifetime of empowering individuals, families, groups, organizations, and societies to solve human problems both in their own communities and around the world.

(web link to be under construction at a later date and time)

Sociology

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(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/behavioral-sciences/sociology/sociology-program-mission-and-goals>)

Sport and Exercise Science

The Department of Sport and Exercise Science is committed to academic distinction, mentoring students and guiding the community in the development of personal growth, skill acquisition, sport and lifelong wellness.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/department-of-sport-and-exercise-science-spes/sport-and-exercise>)

Teacher Education

The Teacher Education Program prepares candidates for an Initial Kansas Teaching license with a liberal arts foundation. The teacher education department prepares highly qualified teachers who will contribute to the teaching profession and who will positively impact students in Pk-12 school systems. Our candidates will have a broad perspective, who think critically, reflectively and creatively; who are humane and committed to meeting the learning needs of all students; and who guide students to become effective and productive citizen in the 21st century.

(<https://www.kwu.edu/academics/academic-departments/department-of-teacher-education/teacher-education-program-mission>)