

## **Top 35 Reasons to Attend Northwestern Oklahoma State University**

### **Academics**

1. 13.1 Student to teacher ratio. You are not just a name on a register. Your professors know who you are and give you the attention every college student deserves.
2. Professors have mandatory office hours for out-of-class help.
3. Our Professional staff supports our athletic programs.
4. NWOSU offers free tutoring for all students at our Academic Success Center.
5. NWOSU offers over 40 different bachelor's degree programs. The most popular being education, business, sports science, criminal justice, agriculture, and pre-medicine.
6. NWOSU has been ranked the #1 Regional University in Oklahoma the last three years in a row by U.S. News and World Report.
7. Low cost, only \$7,670 per year for in-state tuition, fees, room and board. \$13,703 for out-of state tuition, fees, room, and board. Half of what you would pay at some local public universities and one-quarter of what some private schools in the area cost.
8. 89% of incoming freshmen receive some form of financial aid.
9. Academic scholarships start at a 3.0 GPA and a 21 ACT.
10. Academic and athletic scholarships can be stacked together.
11. Twenty eight Ranger rodeo team members made the Vice Presidents Honor Roll (3.5 GPA and above) in the fall of 2009. Eight rodeo team members had a perfect 4.0 GPA.
12. Northwestern Oklahoma State University rodeo coach requires monthly grade checks for our athletes. Grades come before intercollegiate rodeo.

### **Community**

13. Exceptional community financial support. The Alva Community even passed a tax to provide scholarships for incoming and continuing students.
14. The Alva community has a very low crime rate and an even lower violent crime rate.
15. Alva's Share Medical Center is rated as one of the top hospitals in Northwestern Oklahoma and is located less than one mile from campus.
16. Very well respected medical community who work closely with our training staff to provide our student athletes the best in medical care.
17. Thirteen restaurants, 19 churches and five hotels to provide the necessary accommodations for when your family visits.
18. One of the lowest average rental property costs in the state. Average apartments rent for \$300 a month.
19. Many of the apartment complexes in Alva are within walking distance of the campus.
20. Employment opportunities are available throughout the community. Many community businesses look for college students to fill positions.
21. Outdoorsmen's Paradise. Woods County Oklahoma is renowned for its deer, quail, pheasant, duck and goose hunting. The fishing in the area is excellent also.

### **Campus**

22. Crime as reported by Campus Police on the Alva Campus is well below the rate of other institutions of comparable size.
23. Our campus design allows you the time to go from class to class or class to dorm in under 5 minutes.

24. Centralized food service areas on campus. This includes The Coronado Café, Mondo Sub Shop and the Coyote Grill. All three places accept meal plan passes as well as cash.
25. Our food service is catered by Chartwell's, one of the most respected college food service companies in the country. The Sunday brunch is so good it attracts a large number of local non-college residents.
26. Various campus activities, athletic events, intramurals, school sponsored events, concerts, and many more.
27. The J.R. Holder Wellness Center. The region's best health and training facility. Indoor track, indoor pool, racquetball, free weights, nautilus, cardio, elliptical and aerobic areas.
28. The J.R. Holder Wellness center provides a professional training staff that includes two full time trainers.

### **Ranger Rodeo**

29. A veteran coaching staff that has a history of developing students, both in the arena as well as the classroom.
30. Organized well planned practices that help you maximize your time in the arena. We don't believe in three hour practices with a bunch of standing around. We use two or three arenas in a functional manner to get our work done without wasting time.
31. Video based training in all aspects of the arena.
32. Always have quality timed event cattle as well as our own herd of bucking stock.
33. Center of the Central Plains rodeo region. Travel time is less than four and a half hours for all college rodeos and many are less than three hours.
34. Coach Kolb does not teach any classes so he can devote 100% of his time to the Ranger Rodeo team members and their academics.
35. 2008-09 Central Plains Champion women's team and reserve champions men's team.

You can learn more about the Ranger Rodeo Family on our website: [www.nwosu.edu](http://www.nwosu.edu). Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

It's an exciting time to become a Ranger.