



Our Mission: Northwestern Oklahoma State University provides *quality educational and cultural opportunities* to learners with diverse needs by *cultivating ethical leadership and service, critical thinking and fiscal responsibility.*

Campuses

- Founded 1897 as Northwest Territorial Normal School, became Northwestern State College in 1939.
- Became Northwestern Oklahoma State University in 1974
- 70-acre main campus located in Alva. University also operates a 320-acre farm in Woods County
- Legislatively authorized in 1996 to establish branch campuses in Enid and Woodward

Accreditation

- Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, Accreditation Council of Business Schools and Programs, Council on Social Work Education, National League for Nursing, Oklahoma Board of Nursing, Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation, Oklahoma Board of Licensed Social Workers

Governance

- Member of the Regional University System of Oklahoma

Enrollment

- Fall 2012 enrollment was 2,299 students, the sixth-largest enrollment in University history
- Students are from 62 Oklahoma counties, 38 states and 21 countries
- 77% are from Oklahoma
- 57% female, 43% male
- 17% are age 30 or older
- Minority enrollment includes: Native American 6.1 %, Hispanic 5.5%, Black 4.8 %, Asian 0.2 %

Academic Programs

- Top 5 undergraduate majors include Education, Business Administration/Accounting, Nursing, Psychology and Criminal Justice
- Student-to-faculty ratio - 16.4:1
- Number of students with 23 or above on the ACT increased 86 percent from 2007 to 2011

Faculty

- 88 full-time faculty
- Full-time faculty are required to teach at least 24-27 credit hours or equivalent per academic year

Stewardship

- Administrative Institutional Support cost of 6.9 percent is the lowest among all regional universities
- Only 42.1 percent of primary funding is derived from state appropriations.
- Northwestern currently has 22 endowed faculty chairs, the most among Oklahoma regional universities
- In 2011, *U.S. News and World Report* ranked Northwestern as the top baccalaureate college in the western United States for lowest student debt
- *U.S. News and World Report* also currently ranks Northwestern as having the nation's most affordable campus housing

Alumni Excellence

- Robert Reeg, President, MasterCard Technologies, MasterCard Worldwide
- Major General Vaughn A. Ary, Staff Judge Advocate, USMC
- Dr. Chiold Epp, Former NASA Manager for International Space Station
- Dr. Brock Schnebel, M.D., Orthopedic Surgeon, Chief Physician, 2000 U.S. Olympic Team



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Branch Campus Locations: Enid and Woodward

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