

INTERSTATE PROGRAMS FOR IDAHO STUDENTS

In some specialized fields of study, Idaho has too few students to warrant the establishment of expensive programs. In order to provide Idahoans a full range of educational opportunities at a reasonable cost, the state has established the following programs in cooperation with other states.

Medicine

University of Washington School of Medicine:

The Washington-Wyoming-Alaska-Montana-Idaho (WWAMI) Regional Medical Education Program allows a limited number of Idaho students the opportunity to study medicine using the combined resources of the University of Idaho and the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle. Idaho partially subsidizes the cost of fees and tuition for each Idaho student admitted to the program. For more information, contact Dr. Andrew Turner, Director, WWAMI Medical Program, University of Idaho, Student Health Building, Moscow, ID 83844, (208) 885-6696. For more information, contact Marlane Martonick, WWAMI Staff by email at: marlanem@uidaho.edu.

IDAHO RURAL PHYSICIAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The 2003 Idaho Legislature established the Idaho Rural Physician Incentive Program to encourage primary care physicians to practice in medically underserved areas of the state. Beginning with the Fall 2003 semester, all first-year medical education students will be assessed a fee equal to four percent of the annual average medical support fee paid by the state. The fee collected by the State Board of Education will be deposited into the Rural Physician Incentive Fund to repay the educational debts of rural physicians who practice primary care medicine in medically underserved areas of the state that demonstrate a need for assistance in physician recruitment.

Veterinary Medicine

The Washington-Idaho Regional Veterinary Medical Education Program (formerly WOI) allows a limited number of Idaho students the opportunity to study for a career in veterinary medicine using the combined resources of the University of Idaho College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Animal and Veterinary Science Department/Caine Veterinary Teaching Center-Caldwell, ID, and Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine-Pullman, WA. Idaho partially subsidizes the cost of fees and tuition for each Idaho resident student admitted to this program. For more information, contact: Dr. Marie Bulgin, Caine Veterinary Teaching Center, 1020 E. Homedale Road, Caldwell, ID 83607, (208) 454-8657; Dr. Carl Hunt, Head/Animal & Veterinary Science Department, University of Idaho, Moscow ID 83844-2330, (208) 885-6345; or visit the following websites www.av.s.uidaho.edu, www.cainecenter.uidaho.edu, or www.vetmed.wsu.edu.

DENTISTRY

The Idaho Dental Education Program provides financial support for a limited number of Idaho students admitted to the School of Dentistry at Creighton University in Omaha, NE. For current information on the program, contact Dr. Jeff Ybarguen, Chair, Idaho Dental Education Program, Idaho State University, P.O. Box 8088, Pocatello, ID 83209, (208) 282-3289, <http://www.isu.edu/departments/idep>.

WESTERN INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION (WICHE) PROGRAMS

Under the **Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)**, undergraduate students from Idaho may enroll in participating institutions in other western states at a reduced tuition rate. The **Professional Student Exchange Program** enables students to enroll in a participating out-of-state professional optometry program at a reduced cost. The **Western Regional Graduate Program** provides Idaho residents an opportunity to enroll at a reduced cost in certain high quality distinctive graduate programs not available in Idaho.

For more information, see www.boardofed.gov/scholarships/wiche.asp or contact Dana Kelly, State Board of Education, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037, (208) 332-1574 or dana.kelly@osbe.idaho.gov, or WICHE's Web site at <http://www.wiche.edu>.

IDAHO-WASHINGTON RECIPROCITY PROGRAM

The Idaho-Washington Reciprocity Program is a special cooperative effort between Idaho and Washington which permits a limited number of Idaho residents to attend Eastern Washington University or Walla Walla Community College with a partial or full waiver of non-resident tuition. First priority is given to Idaho residents who are currently enrolled or seeking enrollment in baccalaureate or graduate degree programs not available in Idaho. For more information, students should see www.boardofed.idaho.gov/scholarships/reciprocity.asp or contact the Washington institution they want to attend or the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board, 917 Lakeridge Way, Olympia, WA 98504-3430, (360) 753-7800.

IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY-UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

The Idaho State University-Utah State University Scholarship permits a limited number of Idaho residents to attend Utah State University with a full non-resident tuition waiver. Additionally, the 100 Mile Radius Waiver permits students whose homes are within 100 miles of Utah State University to attend USU with a partial waiver of out-of-state tuition. For further information about these programs, contact Recruitment and Enrollment Services, Utah State University, Logan, UT 84322, (800) 488-8108.