

#### Academic Overview

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# Purpose of Higher Education

- Acquisition of Knowledge and Skills
- Personal Development
- Preparation for Careers & Professions
- Research & Innovation
- Social & Cultural Development





# Purpose of Higher Education at UIW

- To educate those who will become concerned and enlightened citizens within the global community.
- Educational excellence in a context of faith in Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word of God. Thus, through a liberal education<sup>2</sup> the university cultivates the development of the <u>whole person and values of life-</u> <u>long learning</u>.
- To that end, faculty and students support each other in the search for and communication of truth, thoughtful innovation, care of the environment, community service, and social justice.<sup>3</sup>
- The University of the Incarnate Word is a Catholic institution that welcomes to its community persons of diverse backgrounds, in the belief that their respectful interaction advances the discovery of truth, mutual understanding, self-realization, and the common good.





### UIW Value Proposition

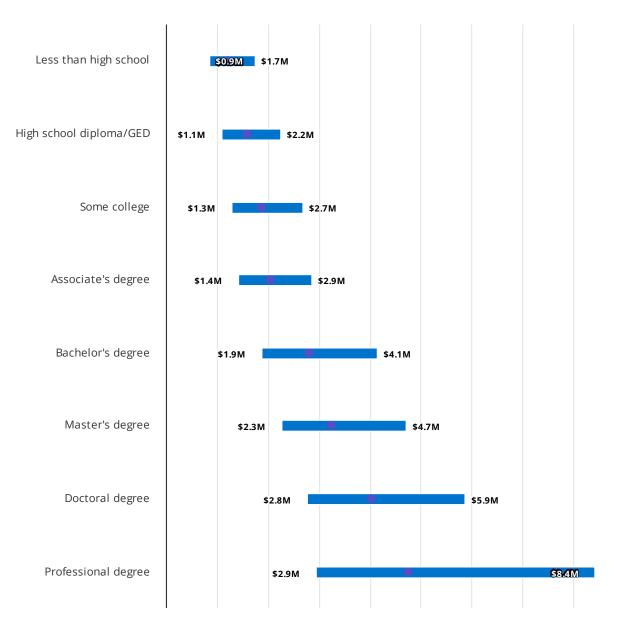
- Academic Excellence
- Personalized Education
- Faith-Based Education
- Community Engagement
- Global Perspective
- People / Personnel / Community\*





- Lifetime Earnings (median)
  - Bachelor's degree typically earns <u>\$1.2 million more</u> than a worker with no more than a high school diploma
  - Associates degree typically earns a lifetime boost of \$400,000
  - Some college (no degree), typically earns a boost of \$300,000
  - Source: Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce analysis of the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS), 2009–2019. Note: The figure is based on data for 25- to 64-year-olds working full-time, full-year.







## UIW Academic Overview

- 8,000 Students / 100+ Programs
  - Baccalaureate, Masters, Doctoral levels
- 11 College / Schools
  - College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences
  - Dreeben School of Education
  - Feik School of Pharmacy\*
  - H-E-B School of Business and Administration
  - Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing\*
  - Rosenberg School of Optometry\*
  - School of Mathematics, Science and Engineering
  - School of Media and Design
  - School of Osteopathic Medicine\*
  - School of Physical Therapy\*
  - School of Professional Studies (Online & Adult)

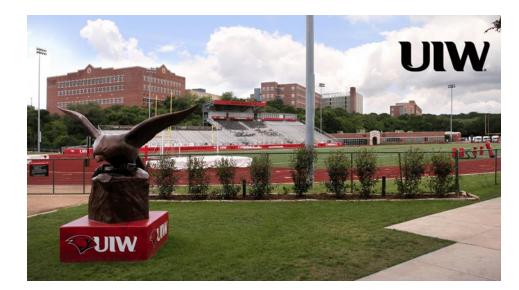
\*Health Professions Schools





# UIW Academic Overview

- Academic Strengths
  - Brand Identify
- Quality of Instruction
  - Core Learning Outcomes
  - Student Engagement
  - Service Learning
  - Mentoring
  - Pathways
- Accreditations
  - Regional SACSCOC
  - Discipline 30 (thus far)
- Division I Athletics
  - 10 Men's Teams
  - 13 Women's Teams





#### Degree Structure-Bachelor's

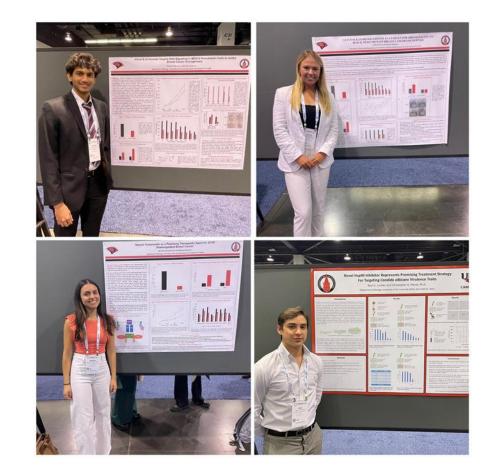
- Completion of a minimum of <u>120 hours</u>
- Attainment of a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher
- Completion of all requirements for the Core, the major, minor, concentration, and/or teaching fields, including





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- Composition (typical)
  - Core (43)
  - Major (45) [will vary based on program]
  - Minor (12-15)
  - Electives (20) [will vary based on program]
- Options to Consider
  - Interdisciplinary Concentrations (6)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Minor
  - Advanced Language Study
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Foreign Language
  - Additional courses in Major





#### Degree Structure-Core

- The Core Curriculum is an integrated and sequenced course of study dictated by the traditional concept of liberal arts education.
- It includes a carefully devised study of rhetoric (intelligent reading and correct writing), philosophy, theology, literature and the arts, mathematics and the natural sciences, history, the behavioral and social sciences, language, and wellness.







## Institutional Student Learning Outcomes

- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Effective Communication
- Media/Technology
- Research
- Global and Historical Consciousness
- Aesthetic Engagement
- Quantitative/Scientific Analysis
- Social Justice
- Professionalism
- Integration/Spirituality





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- Experts in their respective disciplines as scholars and educators
- Diverse experiences and perspectives
- Dedication to student success
- Availability to mentor and advise students
  - Dedicated weekly office hours
  - Flexibility to meet with students as needed







#### Student Success: Academic Support Offices

- University Advising
- Tutoring Services
- Writing & Learning Center
- Student Testing Center
- Student Disability Services





# Residence Life & Campus Engagement

- First Year Engagement Office
- Campus Life
- Residence Life
- Student Advocacy & Accountability
- Career Services





- Health Services Clinic
- Behavioral Health Services
- Sports and Wellness





# Office of International Affairs

- International Student Services / Globalization of Campus
- Study Abroad
  - Semester Abroad
  - Faculty Led Trips (short)
- Location, Location, Location
  - Academic Sites: Mexico City and Irapuato, Mexico
  - European Study Center: Strasbourg, France
  - Sister School Agreements: 123 universities in 40 countries.
- Community Service opportunities both locally and internationally





