Central Washington University

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YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE.

BUSINESS PROGRAMS:

- Accounting (BS/Minor)
- Business Administration (BS)
  - Business Analytics (spec/ minor)
  - Finance (spec/ minor)
  - General Business (spec)
  - Human Resource (spec/ minor)
  - Leadership & Management (spec)
  - Marketing (spec)
  - Personal Financial Planning (spec)
  - Supply Chain (spec/ minor)
- Economics (BS/ minor)
  - Economic & Business Forecasting (spec)
  - General Economics (spec)
  - Managerial Economics (spec)
- Entrepreneurship (BS/ minor)
- Personal Financial Planning (BS)
- AgriBusiness (minors)
- Digital Marketing (minor)
- Sport Business (minor)

BUSINESS LLC:
Living-Learning Communities (LLCs) at Central Washington University bridge students' academic interests and goals with their residence hall living experience. Live and learn with other business students in our designated residence hall, Sue Lombard. Participate in educational, professional development, and extracurricular activities while forming lifelong friendships.

BUSINESS CLUBS:

- Alpha Kappa Psi
- Assoc. of Latino Professionals for America (ALPFA)
- Beta Alpha Psi/Accounting & Finance
- Central Consulting Club
- Digital Marketing Club
- Economics Association
- Entrepreneurship Club
- Financial Planning Student Assoc.
- Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM)
- Sports Management Assoc.
- Supply Chain Management Assoc.
- Women in Business

C.A.T. CENTER SERVICES:
Career Counseling, Academic Advising and Tutoring for CB courses are all offered in one great place... the C.A.T. Center.

CWU is an EEO/AA/Title IX Institution. For accommodations email: DS@cwu.edu
WASHINGTON DECA

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WASHINGTON DECA AREAS

Washington DECA is divided into 11 geographic “Areas” throughout the state.

AREA LEADERS
Each of the 11 Areas in Washington State is led by a dedicated Area Leader who represents the Area at meetings, organizes the Area conferences, and works closely with the Area President.

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STATE OFFICERS: TEAM ACCELERATE
The Washington DECA State Officer Team consists of a State President and 11 Area Presidents who serve as student leaders and the voice for DECA members across the state. For more information about the State Officer team, visit wadeca.org/state-officers.

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Marian Morris is the newest addition to our team, offering advisor support to help enhance or improve your DECA program and provide classroom resources! Both new and experienced advisors can reach out to her at marian@wadeca.org or by calling (206) 285-1195.

ACCELERATE - 2023 BUSINESS AND MARKETING EDUCATOR CONFERENCE

Monday, September 25
FOR ALL ADVISORS

Doubletree Hotel
TUKWILA, WA

Tuesday, September 26
WE-BAM PROGRAMS

Register
WADeca.ORG/ADVISOR

Choose from a one or two-day conference, and receive high quality workshops and resources, specifically curated to help you prepare for a great year in the classroom and in DECA. Conference registration includes a light breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack.

WORKSHOP TOPICS INCLUDE:
- Best Practices for the Classroom
- Financial Literacy
- Competition Tips
- Implementing Artificial Intelligence in your Curriculum (Microsoft)
- Luncheon Keynote
- DECA Update
- New Advisor Workshops

MEMBERSHIP - THE KEY TO DECA

Register Members Online
>> membership.decaregistration.com/deca

Students and advisors must be DECA members to register for conferences and events.

$20 DUES
Per Student & Advisor

Membership Assistance Program
This program provides financial support to help chapters pay membership fees for students who cannot otherwise afford to participate. Assistance will be awarded in three tiers based on the application, and F/R lunch%. Chapters who have less than 35% F/R lunch can still apply for individual member support. This program is for student members and does not include advisors, alumni, or professional members. Membership will need to be equal or more than last year's to receive assistance.

- School is 35%-49% F/R lunch = WA DECA will provide funding for 25% of submitted members
- School is 50%-74% F/R lunch = WA DECA will provide funding for 50% of submitted members
- School is 75% - 100% F/R lunch = WA DECA will provide funding for 75% of submitted members

Apply by November 15 at www.wadeca.org/membership.

MEMBERSHIP & PAYMENT DEADLINES

NOV 15 @ 5:00 PM
Registration deadline for allocations. The number of members (including student, advisor, alumni, and professional members) registered and submitted as of 5:00 p.m. November 15 will determine Area competitive event allocations, chapter Principles and Personal Financial Literacy Event allocations, and chapter voting delegate allocations.

DEC 15
Payment due for all members submitted prior to November 16.

FEB 15
The last opportunity to register new members in order to compete at SCDC or ICDC.

JUNE 1
Final dues payment deadline. All membership dues must be paid in full to DECA Inc. by June 1.
CHAPTER LEadership Academy
Monday, September 18, 2023 | 3:00-6:00 p.m. | Virtual (via Zoom)
Open to all Chapter Officers

The Chapter Leadership Academy (CLA) is an interactive opportunity for Chapter Officers to learn, network, and have fun. Led by the State Officer team, participants will receive details of the Fall Leadership Conference, learn about the state-wide community service project, access templates and tools to help organize their year, fundraise for their chapter, and prep for competition!

Registration opens August 21 on www.wadeca.org/learndeca. Empower your Chapter Officers to stay up to date by attending CLA and following @washingtondeca on Instagram.

FALL LEadership Conference
November 5-7, 2023 | Hyatt Regency of Bellevue
Conference registration guide will be available September 1

DECA Competition/Interviews
Students can sharpen their DECA competition knowledge while practicing real-world skills by participating in:

- Two Mock Role-Play Competitions | Advanced competitor and first-time competitor
- Idea to Impact Competition | Teams of 1-3 students can pitch their ideas to a judge and win prizes
- Mock Interviews | Prepares members for real interviews with instant “employer” feedback

Workshops
Student workshop tracks include:
- Competition
- Career Focus
- Financial Literacy
- Personal and Professional Development
- Entrepreneurship

Advisor Track with clock hours available!

Keynote Sessions
EXHIBITOR FAIR
ADVISOR Reception + Gift

DECA Competition/Interviews

$30,000 in scholarships available

.setScene("Advanced CLA"

SERVING THE COMMUNITY IS IN OUR BLOOD ACTIVITIES

Hotel Rates
Price listed at (per room per night + 14.5% tax + $2.50 BTA)

- Arrive 11/5/23 - Depart 11/7/23
- Single, Double, Triple, or Quad
  - $215.00 ($248.68 with tax and BTA)
  - Hotel collects credit card payments only, to be charged prior to the conference

Dates and Deadlines

- Registration Opens .................. October 6 (6:00 a.m.)
- Registration Closes ................. October 12 (5:00 p.m.)
- Mandatory Advisor FLC Meeting... October 30 (4:00 p.m.)
- Registration Payment Due .......... November 3

Registration Fees

- Advisors, Chaperones, Students: $140
- 1:10 adult : student ratio
- Advanced Chapter Leadership Academy: Free (optional)
  - Sponsored by CWU
  - Limited to 2 members per chapter leadership team

Schools who will not be staying in the Washington DECA hotel block are subject to a chapter fee as outlined in Washington DECA policies. Please see below for the Chapter Fee Schedule:

- Up to 10 registered participants .............................................. $200
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Dates and Deadlines

- **2024 STATE CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE**
  - February 29 - March 2, 2024
  - Meydenbauer Center & Hyatt Regency Bellevue, WA

  - **20-Page Written Projects Due**
    - January 18 electronic submission (5:00 p.m.)
  - **SCDC Scholarship Applications Due**
    - January 23 received by date
  - **Steven Anthony Rhone, Jr. Scholarship Applications Due**
    - January 23 received by date
  - **Senior Management Academy Applications Due**
    - January 23
  - **20-Page Written Project Results Announced**
    - January 29
  - **Senior Management Academy Participants Announced**
    - January 29
  - **SCDC Scholarship Recipients Announced**
    - January 29

  - **Registration Opens**
    - February 1 (6:00 a.m.)
  - **Registration Closes**
    - February 6 (5:00 p.m.)
  - **Online Testing**
    - February 8, 9
  - **Online Testing Make-up**
    - February 12
  - **10-Page Written Projects Due Online**
    - February 14-16 electronic (5:00 p.m.)
  - **SCDC Scholarship Thank-You Letters Due**
    - February 21 postmarked to WA DECA
  - **Registration Payment**
    - February 26

  - **Hotel Payment Due**
    - Within 30 days of invoice pay to hotel

- **Hotel** (Hyatt Regency Orange County) | Chapters sharing accommodation MUST arrive and depart on the same days. Minimum stay is 4 nights, to include the nights of opening and closing sessions (April 27 and April 30). Maximum stay is 5 nights from April 26 through May 1. If chapters want additional room nights outside of the April 26–May 1 nights that DECA Inc. has contracted for us, the chapter will need to make their own hotel arrangements for those nights.

- **Hotel Rates** (per room per night + tax)
  - **Arrive 2/29/24 – Depart 3/2/24**
  - **Rates vary by hotel**

- **International Career Development Conference**
  - April 26 - May 1, 2024
  - Anaheim, CA

  - **ICDC Competitors’ Final Membership Dues Payment**
    - February 15 (received by date | pay to DECA Inc.)
  - **Competition/Dual Qualifier Drops Due**
    - March 5 (5:00 p.m.)
  - **ICDC Academy Applications Due**
    - March 5 (5:00 p.m. | submit to WA DECA)
  - **Final Notification for Bubblers**
    - March 7 (5:00 p.m.)
  - **ICDC Academy Participants Announced**
    - March 7
  - **Registration Opens**
    - March 8 (8:00 a.m.)
  - **Registration Closes**
    - March 13 (5:00 p.m.)
  - **ICDC Scholarship Thank-You Letters Due**
    - March 22 (postmarked or hand delivered)
  - **Registration and Hotel Payment Due**
    - April 16 (payment due to WA DECA)
  - **Mandatory State ICDC Meeting (advisors)**
    - April 22 (4:00-5:00 p.m.)
SERVING THE COMMUNITY IS IN OUR BLOOD

Introduction: This year, Washington DECA hopes to fight low blood supplies throughout the state by partnering with Bloodworks Northwest. The partnership commences on September 25 and lasts through January 23, 2024. Through this state-wide service campaign, we hope to grow the impact we have on local communities and encourage civic consciousness in members.

Getting Started: We challenge ALL Washington DECA chapters in the race to save lives! Your chapter can join the challenge by hosting either a blood OR monetary drive AND utilizing your chapter’s social media page to raise awareness about Bloodworks Northwest. It’s that easy! Other opportunities for your chapter to help save lives include gathering blood donor pledges, hosting awareness events, and more.

With each dollar raised, pint of blood donated, pledge commitment and social media post published, your chapter will earn points and move up the Washington DECA Race to Save Lives leaderboard! See the section below for a complete list of how to participate and earn points.

Best Impact Award: Chapters are encouraged to get involved with this partnership, in which their efforts will put them in the running for one of Washington DECA’s Best Impact Community Service Awards. This award will be presented at the State Conference and awarded to the top chapter in each of the following categories: Total funds raised, pledges received, and total challenge points accumulated.

PARTICIPATING IN THE CHALLENGE

STEP 1 As a chapter, decide whether to host a BLOOD DRIVE or a CASH DRIVE in support of Bloodworks Northwest. Set a date and follow the instructions at www.wadeca.org/initiatives or click the link in bio on the Washington DECA Instagram. We recommend delegating a few chapter leaders to manage this event.

STEP 2 Promote! A successful event, whether a blood drive or fundraiser, requires great promotion. See the webpage above for promotional ideas.

STEP 3 Save Lives & Spread Awareness! As your event unfolds, be sure to capture footage and photos! Utilize your chapter’s social media channels to document your chapter’s efforts in hosting a blood drive or fundraiser. As you support Bloodworks Northwest from September 25, 2023 - January 23, 2024, your chapter can continue accumulating points by...

Hosting a blood or cash drive (required to compete in challenge) .... 100 points

Optional ways to earn points (the chapter who earns the most points will receive a prize):
- Documenting your event and posting on social media .... 200 points (x3 max)
- Collecting a blood donor pledge .... 5 points per donor (unlimited)
- Collecting $100 during your cash drive .... 500 points per $100 raised
- Make a social media post in January spreading awareness of National Blood Donor Month .... 50 points
- Hang posters in your school advertising blood donor awareness .... 100 points
- Make an Instagram Reel promoting your blood drive or cash drive event .... 200 points
- And many more that will be listed at www.wadeca.org/initiatives!

THANK YOU FOR JOINING THE RACE TO SAVE LIVES!
The 2023-2024 Washington DECA State Officer Team
WHAT'S NEW IN 2023–2024

WASHINGTON DECA UPDATES

State Conference (SCDC) Schedule Changes | The Written Project presentation competition will be held on Thursday afternoon (February 29, 2024), followed by the Opening Session, Thursday evening. A full schedule of events will be released in late September.

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- 2023 association and ICDC exams (14 total)
- 2023 association and ICDC scenarios (81 total)
- 2023 ICDC written event winners sample entries (31 total)

Bonus features
- Interactive flip cards for vocabulary and performance indicators
- Sample video presentations from ICDC winners for all events
- Practice Tests give the option of taking 25, 50, 75 or 100 questions

Registration Fees and Housing | New this year, a chapter fee will be added if a school is not staying in the Washington DECA housing block. With the rising cost to do business including transportation during the conference, this fee will eliminate the need to raise registration rates. Chapter Fee Schedule:

- Up to 10 registered participants - $200
- 11-20 registered participants - $400
- 21-30 registered participants - $600
- 31-40 registered participants - $800
- 41-50 registered participants - $1000
- Each 10 additional registered participants + $200

Washington Only Competitive Event - Presented at FLC & SCDC | Idea to Impact - Do you have an idea for a business or a solution for a current problem in your community? Students will have the opportunity to not only pitch their ideas during SCDC, but also to win college scholarships! Guidelines will be released during the ACCELERATE - 2023 Business and Marketing Educator Conference and Chapter Leadership Academy.

DECA Translation Guide | Key words, phrases, and performance indicators prevalent to DECA and competitive events will be translated in a variety of languages.

Executive Mentor Series | This pre-recorded series features a question and answer interview with an Executive who shares their advice on best prepping for college and careers. We plan to feature a diverse selection of careers across several industries, along with personal development coaches.

Middle School Toolkit | This toolkit is available on wadeca.org/learndeca. It’s designed for Chapter Officers to educate potential members about DECA, hoping to spark interest and encourage middle schoolers to register for appropriate requisite courses, allowing them to kick start their DECA journey.

Chapter Bundles | Two versions of the Chapter Bundle will be available. For new or re-activating chapters, a "Getting Started" guide; and for all other chapters, an "Accelerate Your Chapter to New Speeds" guide will be available at wadeca.org/learndeca.
WHAT'S NEW IN 2023–2024

DECA INC. UPDATES

Chapter/Membership Campaigns  |  Chapters earning Thrive Level in the Membership Campaign may send a maximum of 2 members to the Thrive Academy. Chapters earning Thrive Level in a Chapter Campaign can send a maximum of 2 members to the Thrive Academy at ICDC.

School-based Enterprise (SBE)  |  The Recertification Standards for next year are: Financial Analysis, Product/Service Management, Pricing. The competition topic is Product/Service Management. For the ICDC SBE Academy and Competition, there is a new maximum of 2 participants per team.

Business Operations Research  |  2023-2024 topic for each career category is the development of a strategy to combat the talent challenge. Businesses today are facing labor shortages across all industries. Participants will collaborate with a local business or organization to analyze the current process for recruiting, hiring, onboarding, and retaining employees. Participants will then create and present a strategic plan to attract and retain employees.

Financial Consulting  |  2023-2024, student will assume the role of a financial consultant. A small-business client has scheduled a meeting with you because they would like to add a peer-to-peer payment platform option for their customers. The client would like you to share and explain different peer-to-peer platforms and make a recommendation that will have a positive financial impact.

Hospitality and Tourism Professional Selling  |  2023-2024, student will assume the role of a sales manager for a glamping resort. You are meeting with the CEO of a company that is hosting a retreat for its 12 employees and their immediate families. During the meeting, you should discuss, at a minimum, the setting, accommodations, dining, and activities. This meeting a very important to the CEO who is also wants to host an annual kick-off meeting during the retreat in a creative meeting space for only the 12 employees.

Professional Selling  |  2023-2024, student will assume the role of a sales representative for a company that specializes in assisting clients with social media selling strategies. Social selling is a sales method that practices incorporating social networks into every stage of the sales process. A large part of the customer experience now takes place on social media in more casual communication channels. You have a meeting scheduled with the owner of a local retail boutique to present the services your company can provide for expanding their company’s social media selling strategies.

Virtual Business Challenge  |  DECA’s VBC program offers eight tracks of competition — Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Fashion, Hotel Management, Personal Finance, Restaurant, Retailing and Sports. This lesser-known competitive event series allows members to qualify for ICDC, compete for coveted DECA glass and earn a share of $23,000 in scholarship money.

Be sure to check the DECA Guide this summer for official guidelines for the 2023-2024 school year.
DECA MONTH

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