

## ***Frequently Asked Questions***

### ***What type of on-campus employment is available?***

A wide variety of on-campus employment opportunities are available to students at B-W. A list of available positions can be found in the Student Employment Office including work in the Lou Higgins Recreation Center, The Offices of Admission and Financial Aid, and more. Students may qualify for federal work-study in which they can earn up to \$1,800 per year to put toward their tuition. Financial Aid will notify them of this as part of their aid package.

### ***What if I don't want to join varsity athletics, but still want to be involved with sports?***

We offer over 60 intramural and club sports, which are extremely popular on campus!

### ***What is the percentage of Greek Life on campus?***

About 23% of the undergraduate student population belongs to a fraternity or sorority. Baldwin-Wallace currently has eleven Greek organizations.

### ***Is B-W on quarters or semesters?***

B-W is on the semester system which offers two 15-week sessions beginning late August and ending in early May.

### ***How big are the classes?***

The average class size at B-W is 19 students.

### ***What is the student/faculty ratio?***

15:1

### ***Are there facilities/services specifically designed for freshman?***

There is a First-Year Area consisting of four residence halls for freshmen as well as freshman-oriented programming such as Orientation, Weekend of Welcome, and College 101 (a class that assists freshmen in the transition from high school to B-W).

### ***How do students select courses and plan their schedules?***

Students are assigned an academic advisor who they will meet during summer orientation to go over their fall schedule. Each semester after that, students register on the web and receive approval from their advisor.

### ***Is there security on campus?***

Berea and the surrounding communities are very safe places to live! Safety and Security is able to provide service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including holidays and breaks. All full-time patrol officers have completed at least 240 hours of training as required by the Ohio Peace Officers Training Council and are available to escort students to or from any building on campus at any time. The Berea Police Department also patrols the area.

### ***What is the percentage of job placement after graduating?***

Over 90% of B-W graduates are placed in graduate programs or employed within 6 months of graduation.

***May I bring a car to campus as a first year student?***

Beginning Fall 2007, first year students are permitted to bring a car to campus.

***Do you have to be Methodist to attend Baldwin-Wallace?***

No. Although B-W is affiliated with the Methodist Church, it is also a liberal arts college and encourages students to expand their horizons on all levels including religion. Students can study many religions at B-W and there are non-denominational services at the Lindsay-Crossman Chapel. Furthermore, quite a few churches are located within walking distance of the campus and many churches offer free transportation to B-W students.

***Can I get a tutor at B-W?***

B-W offers a multitude of services for academic support. The Learning Center offers free tutoring for all subject areas, drop-in math tutoring sessions, and a Writing Lab to help with composition on all levels. Freshman Experience and Study Skills classes are also available.

***Are there Health Services available?***

The staff of the Health Center includes physicians, registered nurses, and a nurse practitioner. Clinic care includes evaluation and treatment of illnesses and injuries, certain lab tests, and referrals when indicated. Most services are offered without charge. Southwest General Health Center is located a mile from campus for advanced care.

***What opportunities for involvement exist for minority students?***

B-W offers a variety of organizations and activities for students of color including the Black Cultural Center, the Black Student Alliance, the Hispanic-American Student Association, the World Students Association, the Minority Forum, the International Student Ambassador Program, the Multicultural Student Ambassador Program, the Buddy System, and the MERGE Program. All programs are designed to provide support and involvement for minority students on campus.

***What about computer access on campus?***

B-W is nearly 100% wireless and the campus network creates a fast and easy way to communicate on campus and links B-W with the World Wide Web. Academic buildings and residence hall rooms are linked to this system including 9 public computer labs and 14 discipline-specific computer labs for student use. The Cyber Café in the College Union allows students to grab dessert or coffee while they play on the internet or check their email. If students wish to buy computers, the bookstore sells Dell PCs and Macintosh computers at educational prices.

***What is the college's alcohol policy?***

The College has strict policies involving the use of alcohol and drugs. Use of alcohol by minors is not only against B-W's policy, but against the law. Also the use of any illicit drug is a serious matter involving potential violations of Federal and Ohio laws.

***What opportunities are there off campus?***

Berea is approximately 20 minutes from Downtown Cleveland offering students a wide range of activities, including cultural and social activities. Cleveland is one of the largest corporate

headquarters in the country, and the many businesses, industries and agencies located in the city provide remarkable internship and employment opportunities.

***Are there visitation restrictions for on-campus housing?***

24-hour visitation is permitted in the lounges of each of the halls. Visitation hours for individual rooms are until 2:00 AM.

***What services are available for commuter students?***

The Commuter Services Office supports students who commute to the Baldwin-Wallace College campus through programs and services assisting students in making connections to campus life and involvement opportunities. Services include the Commuter Lounge, the Commuter Connection Newsletter, and a off campus housing database. Programs include the Commuter Coffee Hour, Dine & Dash, and a Commuter Appreciation Week. In addition, the Commuter Activities Board (CAB) provides undergraduate commuter students a voice in Student Senate and sponsors various social activities for commuting students. The Office of Commuter Services is located in the Bonds Administration Building, room 102 and can be reached at 440-826-2380 or [www.bw.edu/resources/comser](http://www.bw.edu/resources/comser).

***What is the most important factor in making the admission decision?***

The Admission committee looks at a number of factors in making their decision. Curriculum, high school grades, class rank, test scores, extracurricular and community activities, and leadership all play an important role in the decision-making process.

***What is the average ACT/SAT score?***

ACT – 21-26                      SAT – 1030-1240 in the Critical Reading and Math Sections

***Does B-W accept AP (Advanced Placement) credit?***

YES! In most cases, a score of 3 or higher on the AP exam earns students college credit.

***Is an Admission interview required?***

No. However, we encourage students to go through the information session because it can provide important information to the student and serve to be a helpful aspect of the admission decision.