

WCC Students

Wilkes Community College celebrates a diverse student population, including traditional and non-traditional.

Curriculum Student Demographics

Receiving financial aid	63%
Married	15%
Have dependent children	21%
Enrolled in technical program	55%
Would recommend WCC to others	95%
Taking online courses	70%
Taking mostly seated courses	30%

Full Time Equivalent

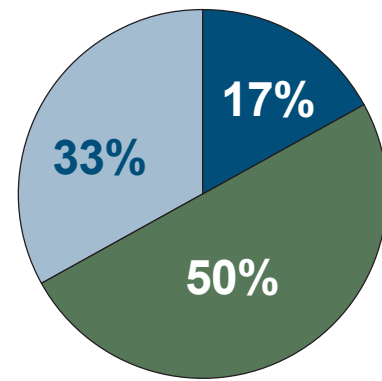
Curriculum	2,280
Headcount	3,374

Workforce Development & Community Education	470
Headcount	6,218

Basic Skills	199
Headcount	804

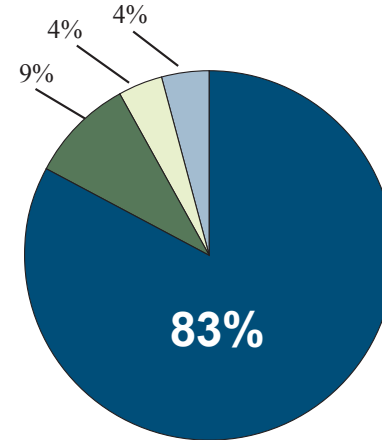
Total	2,949
Unduplicated Headcount	10,396

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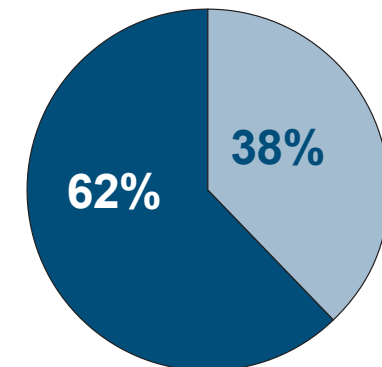
Age**

- Under 18
- Between 18-25
- 25 and over



Race**

- White
- Hispanic
- Black
- Other



Gender**

- Male
- Female

**Includes curriculum, continuing education, and college and career readiness students, 2019-2020.

Service Area

Counties	Wilkes, Ashe, and Alleghany
Population	107,776
Geographic Area	1,423 square miles

Major Industries

- Animal/livestock and crop production
- Livestock processing
- Education
- Management of companies and enterprises
- Timber and wood products production
- State and local government

Emerging Industries

- Advanced manufacturing
- Healthcare

Items of Interest

Annual budget	\$37 Million
Annual regional income due to WCC and its students	\$174 Million
Total assets transferred from WCC Foundation to college	\$43 Million
MerleFest regional economic impact	\$12+ Million
MerleFest economic impact on Wilkes County	\$6.6 Million

Ashe Campus



Alleghany Center



of Wilkes Community College

Wilkes Community College offers 425,401 square feet of classrooms, laboratories, shops, and offices.



Kendrick/Church Hall Workforce Development & Continuing Education



Education at WCC

Wilkes Community College, established in 1965, continues to build on a strong history of meeting the education and workforce training needs of this region. WCC aspires to be an effective learner-centered educational institution preparing learners for success in a rapidly changing world.

The college offers educational services including basic skills; high school diploma programs for adults; continuing education; technical certificates, diplomas and degrees; and college transfer degrees. The Wilkes Campus is located in the heart of Wilkesboro on a wooded, beautifully-landscaped, 150-acre site.

The Ashe Campus is located in West Jefferson, and the Alleghany Center is located in Sparta. All totaled, the college offers 425,401 square feet of classrooms, laboratories, shops, and offices.

A member of the North Carolina Community College System, WCC is a public, two-year, open-door institution and is proud to serve and contribute to better lives and enhance careers for area residents.

Culture, Entertainment, and Recreation



WCC improves the quality of life through economic development services to business and industry, both private and public; and through community development, including cultural and recreational opportunities. The campus is always alive with activity as local residents utilize facilities such as the tennis courts, walking trail, and playground.

Included on the Wilkes Campus is the 1,131-seat John A. Walker Community Center. The Walker Center, the area's primary venue for cultural experiences, is a place where business, entertainment, and celebration come together with high quality customer service.

WCC also hosts MerleFest, founded in 1988 in memory of Eddy Merle Watson as a fundraiser for WCC and a celebration of "traditional plus" music. This family-friendly music festival also features heritage crafts, shopping, children's activities, contests, plenty of pickin' opportunities and more!

Wilkes Community College continues to build on a strong history of meeting the educational needs and cultural interests of our students, community and workforce.

The Walker Center provides services for business events and celebrations from parties to wedding receptions.

mission & vision

Mission

Wilkes Community College, a member of the North Carolina Community College System, is a public, two-year, open-door institution serving the people of Wilkes, Ashe, and Alleghany counties and beyond.

Wilkes Community College enhances the quality of life through the following:

- Quality education and workforce development, including basic-skills, occupational, technical, and pre-baccalaureate programs.
- Economic development services to business and industry, both public and private.
- Community development through a variety of services, cultural activities and recreational opportunities.

Vision

WCC aspires to be an effective learner-centered educational institution and a dynamic learning organization, preparing learners for success in a rapidly changing world.

Values

Caring, Collaboration, Creativity, Engagement and Responsibility.



programs of study

Arts and Sciences

- Associate in Arts
- Associate in Science
- Associate in Engineering
- Associate in General Education

Health Sciences Division

- Associate Degree Nursing
- Dental Assisting
- Emergency Medical Science
- Human Services Technology
- Medical Assisting
- Radiography
- Respiratory Therapy

Industrial and Engineering

- Applied Animal Science Technology
- Applied Engineering Technology
- Architectural Technology
- Automotive Systems Technology
- Building Construction Technology
- Collision Repair and Refinishing Technology
- CNC Machining Technology
- Diesel & Heavy Equipment Technology
- Electronics & Computer Engineering Technology
- Horticulture Technology
- Industrial Systems Technology
- Machining & Maintenance Technology
- Robotics, Automation, Mechatronics Technology
- Welding Technology

Business & Public Service Technologies

- Accounting & Finance
- Advertising & Graphic Design
- Baking & Pastry Arts
- Basic Law Enforcement Training
- Business Administration
- Computer Programming
- Criminal Justice Technology
- Culinary Arts
- Customer Relations Management
- Early Childhood Education
- Game Development
- Information Technology
- Network Management

Non-Credit Continuing Education Programs Leading to Employment

- Certified Fiber Optic Technician
- Certified Production Technician
- Cosmetology
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Esthetician
- Electrical Technician
- HVAC Technician
- Industrial Maintenance Technician
- Insurance Prelicensing
- Medical Administrative Manager
- Medical Billing & Coding
- Nurse Aide
- Pharmacy Technician Training
- Phlebotomy

contact information

Wilkes Campus Main Line
336-838-6100

Wilkes Campus Admissions
336-838-6135

Ashe Campus
336-846-3900

Alleghany Center
336-372-5061

President's Office
336-838-6111

Arts & Sciences
336-838-6229

Business & Public Service Technology
336-838-6157

Health Sciences
336-838-6249

Applied Career Technologies
336-838-6218

Workforce Development & Community Education
336-838-6210

College & Career Readiness /Basic Skills
336-903-3230

Business Office
336-838-6103

Financial Aid
336-838-6144

Pardue Library
336-838-6114

Student Services
336-838-6135

WCC Foundation
336-838-6491

MerleFest Box Office
336-838-6267
800-343-7857

Walker Center Box Office
336-838-6260

an overview

Serving Wilkes, Ashe, and Alleghany counties.



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Wilkes • Ashe • Alleghany
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