

Wabash College

Site of the 48th Annual Meeting Association of College and University Biology Educators

Wabash College was founded in 1832 as an independent non-sectarian college for men. For more than 170 years Wabash has been educating young men to "think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely" with a classical liberal arts educational experience. Students may pursue one of twenty-one different majors. The curriculum seeks to allow maximum flexibility as well as to provide the broad base of understanding that is at the core of the liberal arts concept. At Wabash about 25% of the students participate in over 140 study abroad programs. The 850 students come from 34 states and 13 foreign countries. Nearly 21% are students of color. Approximately 90% of the students receive some form of financial aid. The U.S. News and World Report rank Wabash in the top 20% of the 212 National Liberal Arts Colleges. Wabash set two national benchmarks in The National Survey of Student Engagement and ranked in the 90th percentile in three other categories. Wabash ranked first in the level of academic challenge and students' interaction with the faculty. About 75% of Wabash alums attend graduate school within five years of graduation. Thirteen percent of our alums hold Ph.D.s and 12% hold the title of "President" or "Chairman." Only two Ivies have a higher percentage of alumni in Who's Who.



Crawfordsville, Indiana

Located on the banks of Sugar Creek in West Central Indiana, Crawfordsville was organized into a city in 1823. As the seat of Montgomery County, Crawfordsville has served as the financial and trading center for surrounding counties. Because of its cultural strengths, by the end of the 19th Century, it became known as the "Athens of Indiana." In addition to being the home of General Lew Wallace, author of "Ben Hur," Crawfordsville has been the home of numerous other writers. Today, the City has a diverse industry sectors including, steel production and processing, agribusiness, printing, education, distribution, optics, metal and plastic fabrication and lighting. With a growing population of over 15,000 diverse residents, Crawfordsville is one of the "Top 100 Best Small Towns in America."