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

Curriculum Student Demographics
• Receiving financial aid 52%
• Married 19%
• Have dependent children 30%
• Enrolled in technical program 50%
• Would recommend WCC to others 94%
• Taking an online course 50%

Full Time Equivalent
Curriculum 2,284
Headcount 3,378
Continuing Education 451
Headcount 8,169
Basic Skills 241
Headcount 992
Total 2,976
Unduplicated Headcount 11,443

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 endowment to college $42 Million
MerleFest regional economic impact $10.3 Million
MerleFest economic impact on Wilkes County $5.5 Million

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 that include 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 485,631 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 1,130-seat John A. Walker Community Center. The Walker Center, the area’s premier venue for cultural experiences, is a place where business, entertainment and celebration come together with high quality customer service.

WCC also hosts the annual 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
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
- College Transfer
- 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 Refining Technology
- Computer Engineering Technology
- CNC Machining Technology
- Diesel and Heavy Equipment Technology
- Electronics Engineering Technology
- Horticulture Technology
- Industrial Systems Technology
- Machining & Maintenance Technology
- Robotics, Automation, Mech. Technology
- Welding Technology

Business and Public Service Technologies
- Accounting
- Advertising & Graphic Design
- Baking & Pastry Arts
- Basic Law Enforcement Training
- Business Administration
- Business Administration/HR Management
- Computer Information Technology
- Criminal Justice Technology
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Game Development
- Network Technology
- Office Administration

Non-Credit Continuing Education Programs Leading to Employment
- Arborist
- Certified Landscape Technician
- Cosmetology
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Esthetician
- Insurance Predicensing
- Massage Therapy
- Medication Aide
- Nurse Aide
- Pharmacy Technician Training
- Phlebotomy
- Professional Pet Grooming
- Real Estate

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Ashe Campus
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President’s Office
336-838-6111

Arts & Science
336-838-6229

Business & Public Technology
336-838-6157

Health Sciences
336-838-6249

Industrial & Workforce Development
336-838-6218

Continuing Education
336-838-6203

College Readiness/Basic Skills
336-838-6160

Business Office
336-838-6103

Financial Aid
336-838-6114

Pardue Library
336-838-6114

Student Services
336-838-6135

WCC Endowment Corporation
336-838-6156

Merlefest Box Office
336-838-6267/800-343-7857

Walker Center Box Office
336-838-6260

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