

University Mission:

WSU is committed to providing comprehensive educational opportunities in an urban setting. Two fundamental goals are:

- High quality teaching and learning in all undergraduate, graduate and continuing education programs
- Scholarship, including research, creative activity, and artistic performance designed to provide high quality instruction, make original contributions to knowledge and human understanding, and serve as an agent of community service

Graduate School Mission:

The Graduate School seeks to support and advance quality graduate education at WSU

- Articulating a vision of excellence for the graduate community
- Providing oversight for all aspects of graduate education through
 - Appropriate administrative infrastructure
 - Consistency of processes and standards across academic disciplines
 - Clarification of what graduate education is and is not
- Enhancing the intellectual community of diverse scholars among students and faculty by
 - Honoring excellence in programs, faculty and students
 - Advocating for connections between programs and the local and global communities

Graduate School Vision:

The Graduate School will

- Grow as a progressive, metropolitan graduate school with
 - Academically excellent programs focused on connections between students, faculty and the local and global communities, and
 - Recognition at the national and international level for contributions to knowledge and practice.
- Raise the profile of graduate education within the local community and the State of Kansas.

Graduate School Core Values:

The Graduate School values

- Excellence
- Integrity
- Accountability
- Creativity
- Collaboration

Graduate Program Mission:

Graduate Programs at WSU seek to enable students and faculty to synthesize, interpret and apply research, creative activity, artistic performance, and other forms of knowledge for the advancement of knowledge and creativity in the discipline and the improvement of inquiry-based practice by:

- Offering rigorous, relevant graduate curricula
- Fostering a learning environment that leads to quality teaching and learning, and enhanced research and scholarly/creative pursuits within a changing technological environment
- Recruiting and retaining the most qualified students and faculty
- Committing to diversity in terms of programs, students and faculty