

### THE VALUE OF A WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE EDUCATION

Wisconsin Lutheran College generously invests in making a Christian college experience affordable because we know the positive impact WLC graduates are making throughout the world.

### PARTNERS IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

A \$2,000 renewable scholarship will be given to students who graduate from a Christian high school and enroll at WLC.

### MERIT AWARDS

Merit Awards for qualifying freshmen enrolling in Fall 2024 range from \$12,500 to \$20,000 per year, for a lifetime value of \$50,000 to \$80,000. For more information on WLC's scholarships, please visit [wlc.edu/scholarships](http://wlc.edu/scholarships).

### NATIONALLY RANKED

For 2024, *U.S. News & World Report* rates WLC as one of the Top 20 Regional Colleges in the Midwest. WLC also is included in the *U.S. News* rankings for **Best Value Schools**, ranked 16th among Regional Colleges in the Midwest.

WLC is ranked 87th in the nation by *Washington Monthly* in its 2023 listing of Bachelor's Colleges. The publication also included WLC in its ranking of **Best Bang for the Buck Colleges** in the Midwest.

**W**isconsin Lutheran College (WLC) prepares students to embrace their faith and step into the world as devoted Christian servant leaders. WLC is an independent, nationally ranked college that is affiliated with the WELS, where our students grow both spiritually and academically, encouraged by WELS faculty members who are dedicated to helping students realize their God-given purpose.

- During the 2023-2024 academic year, WLC enrolled a record 1,002 traditional undergrads, and 100% of them received financial aid. Nearly 40% of freshmen were first-generation college students, and 26% were students of color.
- In addition to more than 40 undergraduate and master's programs, WLC offers 14 accelerated dual-degree programs in such fields as law, optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy, and public health. Learn more at [wlc.edu/programs](http://wlc.edu/programs).
- The college is in the process of launching a **Master of Science in Professional Counseling** degree. We're blessed that **Karen Fischer** has accepted a call to serve as program director and will share further details this fall.
- Please visit [wlc.edu/tour](http://wlc.edu/tour) to watch an introductory video and take a virtual tour of our campus. We encourage you to share this link with students who may be interested in exploring WLC.



On May 11, WLC's newest graduates – including William Bergersen (pictured), a biology major and men's soccer player from Milwaukee – were congratulated by their professors after the commencement ceremony in the Time of Grace Center. More than 200 students earned degrees from WLC in Spring 2024.



The Class of 2024 was comprised of students from 17 states representing 39 academic programs. Top majors included nursing (pictured), biology, sport and exercise science, sports management, education, marketing, and criminal justice.



## *Furthering Their EDUCATION*

More than 30 members of the Class of 2024 plan to continue their education in a variety of fields this fall. **Briana Vilches** (above) will pursue an M.S. in criminal justice and criminology from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. **Rachel Dziekan** (below left) will attend the University of Michigan to pursue a Ph.D. in biomedical science. Four students from the sport and exercise science program, including **Joel Perez-Mendoza** (below right), plan to attend Palmer School of Chiropractic, with which WLC has an accelerated dual-degree partnership.



Students in WLC's Christian Leadership Certificate program were awarded grant money earlier this year at the college's annual Serve2Lead Impact Challenge. Proposed projects included clothing drives, youth health education, and a sports camp for people with special needs. All six



## *Making an IMPACT*

WLC students were honored at the Impact Award Luncheon in May. **Grant Wempner '24**, a mathematics major and captain of the men's volleyball team, was the 32nd recipient of the college's Student Impact Leadership Award. He is the son of **Rev. Timothy Wempner** and WLC alumna **Holly (Krenek) Wempner '92** (above). Grant plans to enroll in the Seminary Certification program at Martin Luther College this fall.

All three finalists for the Impact Award (Wempner, **Isaac Kramer '24**, and **Emma Strohm '25**) participated in WLC's Christian Leadership Certificate Program.

Also recognized were members of the Warrior Events Board and Student Senate, senior Conduct Board members, and Resident Assistants. The event's keynote speaker was WLC Professor Emeritus **Dr. Dennis Miller**.



## *All- AMERICANS*

**Zeke Micheel '24** (above) of Salt Lake City, Utah, earned Second Team All-American honors in the 3000m Steeplechase at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track & Field Championships. A physics and mathematics major, Zeke will pursue a Master of Science degree in motor sport engineering at Oxford Brookes University in England.



Men's basketball player **Ryan Broeckel '24** (above) of Chilton, Wisconsin, was named a First Team All-American by the National Association of Basketball Coaches. This was the second straight All-American honor for Ryan, who majored in finance and management.

## *Serving in our COMMUNITY*

teams were given money to launch their projects; the funds awarded totaled \$14,000. Organizations that will be positively impacted by these projects include Atonement Lutheran School, Milwaukee Rescue Mission, Milwaukee Women's Center, Rogers Behavioral Health, and St. Marcus Lutheran Church.

