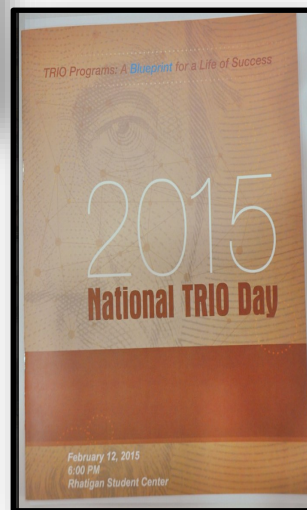




The Veterans View



National Trio Day

TRIO Day was celebrated on February 12, 2015 on the Wichita State University Campus. This year WSU will also celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the TRIO Upward Bound Programs and the legacy established in 1964. TRIO projects were established under President Lyndon Johnson's 1964 War on Poverty under the Economic Opportunity Act, are the country's first efforts in solely helping first-generation and low income students access to post secondary education. Currently, nearly 1,000 programs serve approximately 790,000 students from demographic groups that are traditionally underrepresented in postsecondary education. Wichita State University currently houses nine TRIO programs, three GEAR-UP programs and nine College Access Challenge Grants. Each TRIO, Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) and the Office of Disability Services (ODS) programs will honor the accomplishment of one of their students.

There was a reception and a banquet to honor the accomplishment of students and participants of the programs. Live entertainment was provided by Contemp-Oh! Band. This year's Building Bridges honorees were Arnold Mitchem Ph.D., President Emeritus of the Council of Opportunity in education and keynote speaker Viradena Gilkey, Executive Assistant for the Mayor, Wichita City Council and first lady of St. Mark Cathedral Church of God in Christ.

VUB participant **Amber McAnulla** was honored for the TRIO Day Student Achiever award. **Jessica Hubble** was honored as the VUB Student Ambassador.



TRADITIONAL COLLEGE VS VOCATIONAL SCHOOL



Most people, when deciding between attending a Vocational school or traditional college, tend to completely advocate one and deride the other. However, both options are good in their own way. To decide which one would work best for you, evaluate your own personal goals.

What a Traditional College can do for You

- Opportunities to meet extremely knowledgeable faculty and you will graduate with a thorough knowledge of your subject, especially with regard to theory.
- A university setting is also more suitable for those who are of an academic turn of mind and are eager to pursue research. University Students have a broader knowledge base.
- A university campus is also the best place to meet people from other cultures, improve your world-view and get a liberal perspective. Sororities and fraternities are great places to meet like-minded people and forge life-long friendships.
- Reports also show that university students are more likely to engage in civic duties and demonstrate a better knowledge of political and societal issues. They are more active in their intellectual pursuits.
- Four-year graduates make more money over the duration of their working lives and have access to more high-paying jobs.

What Vocational Schools Can do for you

- The focus is on preparing students to enter the workforce upon completion of the course. A good Vocational school would balance conceptual and practical knowledge.
- The curriculum leaves out a lot of generic theory and emphasizes practical training. Classes tend to be more shop-based than lecture-based. In fact, in many vocational and technical schools, the classroom environment actually resembles the workplace; even equipment and methodologies resemble those that are used in that particular industry.
- Vocational schools usually consist of smaller batches of students, most of who are focused about the Vocational they want to specialize in. This concentrated stream is instrumental in forging meaningful networks that are likely to last all through your career. It also ensures that you get personalized attention in honing the skills that you already possess.
- Employers have been increasingly showing a preference for students from technical schools. Since they already possess the skills and technical know-how required for the job, employers feel that they would save considerably on training costs.
- You spend less money and time studying.

- Many Vocational schools also offer you flexible options. You can opt to study online, enroll in evening classes, night school or study part-time. This flexibility would also make it possible for you to work as you study.
- You could also take up an apprenticeship, internship or externship program, which would give you hands-on experience in a real-world setting.

In the Final Count...

What really matters is to follow the demands of your personality. If you have an academic bent of mind, you're better off in a traditional college. If however, your main focus is to specialize in your vocation and land a job, a Vocational school is by far the best bet.

Article by The School Directory—<http://www.school-directory.net/career-options/Vocational-school-vs-traditional-college.html>

Article by Everyday Life: What are the benefits of College vs. Technical School by Neil Kokemuller, Demand Media—<http://everydaylife.globalpost.com>

Things to consider when obtaining financial aid for college

- Ask your employer if assistance is available to help you pay for school.
- Use the U.S. Department of Labor’s [scholarship search](#) to find scholarships.
- Apply for *federal student aid* by [filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA®\)](#).
- Get to know the financial aid staff at the school you plan to attend; they can help you with aid applications and explain the types of aid available.
- Both the federal government and nonprofit organizations offer money for college to veterans, future military personnel, active duty personnel, or those related to veterans or active duty personnel.

Information obtained from <https://studentaid.ed.gov/prepare-for-college/checklists>

“Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.”

[William Butler Yeats](#)

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VUB Legend



Dwight D. Eisenhower

October 14, 1890 – March 28, 1969

January 26 marks the official date that the new Wichita airport officially changes its name to the “Wichita Dwight D Eisenhower Airport” in honor of the late president. Dwight D. Eisenhower was the 34th president of the United States. He was born in Denison Texas David Jacob Eisenhower and Ida Elizabeth Stover Eisenhower. Dwight was the third of his parents’ seven sons. His parents had moved from Abilene, Kansas, to Denison, Texas, before he was born. When Dwight was a year and a half old, his family moved back to Abilene. He attended Abilene High School where he played football and baseball. Eisenhower graduated from high school in 1909, he joined his father and uncle at the Belle Springs Creamery while also moonlighting as a fireman. Eisenhower used the money he earned to pay his younger brother Edgar’s tuition at the University of Michigan. The brothers had a deal: After two years, they’d switch places—with Edgar then working to support Eisenhower's college education. Luckily for Edgar, he never had to live up to his end of the deal. In 1911, Dwight landed an appointment at the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York, where attendance was free of charge. He married Mamie Geneva Doud. They had three sons, his oldest died of scarlet fever.

Military Career: He was a five-star general in the United States Army during World War II and served as Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in Europe; he had responsibility for planning and supervising the invasion of North Africa in Operation Torch in 1942–43 and the successful invasion of France and Germany in 1944–45 from the Western Front. In 1951, he became the first supreme commander of NATO. In 1952 he was elected U.S. president. He served two terms before retiring to Gettysburg in 1961. Eisenhower died on March 28, 1969, at the Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, D.C.

He was the last U.S. President to have been born in the 19th century.

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

When you put on a uniform, there are certain inhibitions that you accept.

Dwight D. Eisenhower



Veterans and Mesothelioma

Veterans run a high risk of developing mesothelioma, a rare cancer caused by asbestos. As a group, they account for 30 percent of all diagnoses in the U.S.

For more information please click on the link below.

www.mesotheliomagroup.com/veterans/

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2015 AUGUST: WATC Gunsmithing Program . For more details go to www.watc.edu or call (316)677-9400, Gunsmithing involves the repair, modification, design, or building of guns/firearms. This occupation differs from an armorer. A gunsmith does factory level repairs, renovation (such as applying metal finishes), and makes modifications and alterations for special uses and purposes. These training sessions should have a wide appeal to firearm enthusiasts, collectors, retailers and those in law enforcement and security. They will also promote safety and a better understanding of firearm functionality. - See more at: <http://watc.edu/employer-services/gunsmithing/#sthash.ubdtjIm.dpuf>

2015 January, March, June: Police Science Program to be held at the WATC Southside Center. For more details contact Dalisa Turner 316-677-1626 or email dturner@watc.edu

WSU- The university's new Veterans Preference program is designed to attract more veterans to work for the university.

WSU—ONE STOP

Thanks to the new OneStop, students have a go-to-resource for fast, accurate answers and student-focused support for virtually all WSU-related needs. Starting Wednesday, Aug. 6, the physical OneStop will have office hours from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays in 122 Jabara Hall. , get assistance 24/7 via webchat at <http://www.wichita.edu/onestop> and by telephone at 855-978-1787. For more information, go to <http://www.wichita.edu/thisis/wsunews/cnews/?cnid=14288>

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