

# Western Carolina University's Programs in Asheville is Moving to Biltmore Park Frequently Asked Questions

This Fall Semester will herald an exciting opportunity for the students, faculty, and staff, at Western Carolina University and our Asheville-Hendersonville Area community with the relocation of WCU Programs in Asheville. The WCU programs from the UNC Asheville campus and the Nursing programs from the A-B Tech Enka campus will be relocated to **Biltmore Park Town Square**. We anticipate the opening will also present several challenges and questions to address. Please see below for a few of the issues in which we know you will be interested. We are working to resolve some of the anticipated concerns.

# What is the exact location of the space?

Western Carolina University will occupy almost 25,000 sq. ft. of the entire third floor of Building 2B at 28 Schenck Parkway, in Biltmore Park Town Square. It is located at Exit 37 (Skyland Exit) off of Interstate 26 between Asheville and Hendersonville. Our address will be 28 Schenck Parkway - Suite 300, Asheville, NC 28803

# What is the name of the location for WCU?

Chancellor Belcher will announce the name of our programs.

# What programs will initially move in to the space?

The residential programs currently offered by Western in Asheville will be offered at the new location. Those programs include:

### Baccalaureate Degrees:

Nursing: Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) and RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing

#### Master's Degrees:

Accountancy (MAc)

**Business Administration (MBA)** 

Comprehensive Education with concentrations

Elementary Education (MAEd)

English Education (MAEd, MAT)

Math Education (MAEd, MAT)

Middle Grades Education (MAEd)

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages - TESOL - (MAEd, MAT)

College Student Personnel (MEd)

Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MS)

Counseling, School Counseling (MAEd)

English (MA)

Health Sciences (MHS)

Mathematics (MS)

Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner (MS(N) in Nursing)

Nursing, Nurse Anesthesia (MS in Nursing)

Public Affairs (MPA)

Social Work (MSW)

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages – TESOL (MA) - currently offered at UNC Asheville

### **Doctoral Degrees:**

Educational Leadership (EdD)

#### Certificates/Licensure:

Family Nurse Practitioner (Post-Master's Certificate)
Middle Grades Certificate (Post-Baccalaureate Certificate)
Professional Writing Certificate (Post-Baccalaureate Certificate)
Substance Abuse Studies (Post-Baccalaureate Certificate)

## When will the space begin being utilized?

We are anticipating moving into the new space in August 2012. Fall Semester classes will begin on August 20<sup>th</sup> in the new facility.

# How will library services be provided?

There will be eight fixed computers in carrels in the collaboration area to research the online resources of Hunter Library. Students will be able to use their laptops using wireless connectivity in the building to research databases from the library. Library faculty will reserve offices to meet with students as needed, and students can reach reference librarians by email, phone or chat. We are currently investigating the possibility of having a courier have drop-off books and other library materials at the new location.

# Will the new location have a computer lab?

In lieu of a computer lab, the new space will be outfitted with numerous wireless access points. Students will be encouraged to bring their laptops. Three classrooms (a small, medium, and large) will have fixed wired access to the internet and power plug hook-ups for laptops. We plan to have a laptop cart assigned to faculty that can be placed in these rooms to serve as a computer lab.

# Will students have study areas at the new location?

Yes, there will be a large collaboration room furnished with couches, chairs, tables, and eight (8) computer carrels. Tall windows overlook the Town Square. There will also be four (4) break-out/study rooms available for students.

# What parking is available?

There is sizeable parking deck located directly behind the building that will be used by students, faculty, and staff. There is also on-street parking available after shop hours. It has not yet been decided if students will be charged for parking decals.

### What other amenities are available at Biltmore Park?

Biltmore Park Town Square is Asheville, NC's first dense mixed-use community. It houses exciting stores such as REI and Barnes and Noble, outstanding restaurants, such as P.F. Chang's®, 131 Main Restaurant and Brixx Pizza Oven. Unique shops, and boutiques — from florists to shoe stores, professional, legal, and medical service offices, a YMCA, a 165-room, full service Hilton Asheville, home to Sensibilities Day Spa and Asheville's first stadium-style movie theater, the Regal Biltmore Grande Stadium 15.

# What services are provided for student health needs?

Negotiations are currently underway to provide counseling and health services to all students enrolled.

### What services are provided for student activity needs?

Negotiations will begin with the YMCA to provide student activity needs.