

Frequently Asked Questions

The only constant in business is change.

As a Miami-Dade County employee, you know how important it is to stay on top of new technologies, products, services, and, most importantly, your competition. Now Miami-Dade County has teamed up with Western International University® (West) to help you add to your existing qualifications, enhance your credentials, and add value to your company and your career through higher education.



What type of programs does West offer for Miami-Dade County employees?

Western International University (West) offers degree programs from the associate to master's level in a range of relevant, high-demand fields, including business, technology, accounting, management and behavioral science.* Our programs are continually evaluated to ensure offerings are targeted to the needs of a rapidly changing global marketplace.

What if I already have some college credits, training or certifications?

If you already have completed corporate trainings or certifications, hold a professional license, or have taken recognized exams, you may be eligible to apply for and receive credit toward your degree program. In addition, you may be able to transfer credits from other accredited colleges and schools. Our Prior Learning Assessment office can evaluate your learning for potential equivalent academic credit, and quite possibly, save you time and tuition costs.

What is the format of West classes?

At West, each course lasts 8 weeks, and classes overlap, with a new course beginning each month. The workload is balanced, empowering you to reach your goal of graduation more quickly. Courses are structured to follow a weekly path of Learn, Practice, Apply – a path proven to help students better absorb and utilize new information. Students engage with instructors and fellow students online to put learning into practical context.

What is the cost of tuition at West?

West has highly competitive tuition rates that are all-inclusive, with no additional application, course, textbook or materials fees.

What resources are available to me as a West student?

From our online library, to tutoring, writing and career resources, as well as special savings through our University Marketplace, West offers a variety of resources to help you succeed.

Where can I get more information?

If you have questions, please call 800.447.0919 or visit west.edu/miamidadecounty to learn more about what West has to offer for Miami-Dade County employees.

*For more information about our programs, including important consumer disclosures, visit west.edu/online-degree-programs.

Western International University is unable to enroll residents of the following states at this time: Kentucky, Maryland, Tennessee, Washington. Certain programs are not available in all states. Please verify program availability with a student advisor. Western International University's Central Administration is located at 1601 W. Fountainhead Parkway, Phoenix, AZ 85021

Western International University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association. Western International University was placed on Notice by The Higher Learning Commission, effective June 27, 2013. For additional information, contact The Higher Learning Commission, ncahlc.org.