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THE SPIRIT OF WKU

2009–2010 Annual Report



A Leading American University with International Reach

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am pleased to present to you Western Kentucky University's 2009-10 Annual Report – "The Spirit of WKU." This is an opportunity to share with you a summary of what our students, faculty and staff accomplished during the 2009-10 academic year and to provide a preview of where we are headed in the year to come.

In the face of continued economic challenges, we made the decision last year to re-evaluate and scale back our 2007-12 Challenging the Spirit Strategic Plan. Much of that plan was based on economic conditions that changed significantly in the wake of a regional, national and global recession, so we revisited our plan and crafted a more realistic, nonetheless challenging, Strategic Guide for 2010-2012. The new plan is one that I believe those in the WKU family are prepared to pour their hearts and souls into achieving. It includes three broad priority categories to which we will devote our limited resources, time and effort: Academic Quality; Efficiency and Sustainability; and Physical Plant Improvement.

Academic Quality is at the heart of everything we do at WKU. Imperative to academic quality are the recruitment and retention of the best faculty and staff; elevating admission standards for students; supporting college preparedness at the secondary level; encouraging students in pursuit of degree completion by retaining and graduating the students we admit; providing national and international scholarship opportunities for our students; and balancing enrollment growth and our commitment to access to higher education for Kentuckians while



simultaneously raising the quality of the student body. If Kentucky is to achieve long term economic stability and improve significantly on the health and welfare of its citizens, we must provide a quality educational experience for our students and position ourselves to respond to the economic needs of our region of Kentucky.

Graduating students who are prepared to compete in a global economy is another measure of academic quality. This past year we established two very prestigious programs that extend our international reach into China. In 2010 WKU became the home of Kentucky's first Confucius Institute which is a Chinese language and cultural outreach program funded by the Chinese Ministry of Education. We also announced establishment of the Chinese Language Flagship at WKU, a U.S. Department of Defense initiative designed to accelerate Chinese language proficiency and provide students with opportunities to work and study in China.

I am perhaps most pleased that our friends and alumni have continued to support our capital campaign, "A New Century of Spirit" throughout this economic downturn. Most of these gifts support endowed faculty positions and student scholarships—essential elements that have lasting impact and strengthen academic quality at our institution. The \$200 million campaign began in 2007 and is projected to exceed the \$200 million goal by 2012.

A second category to which we have and will continue to devote resources and effort are Sustainability and Efficiency. Our students, faculty and staff want WKU to be a model for environmental stewardship in conserving our limited natural resources, and indeed, WKU is a national model in this regard. Another compelling and perhaps more pragmatic reason that these items have risen on our priority list is that fortunately, good sustainable practices help us save money. While we cannot absorb all budget reductions through efficiencies, the savings we have created through these efficiencies have indeed helped us to minimize the impact on student services, course offerings and faculty and staff positions.

One initiative we have taken in the Sustainability and Efficiency category is our commitment to building standards that exceed LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) criteria in all renovations and new construction. The LEED Green Building Rating System is a voluntary consensus-based national rating system for developing high performance, sustainable buildings. LEED



Through the Confucius Institute at WKU, Chinese teachers educate K-12 students on Chinese language and culture.

addresses all building types and emphasizes state-of-the-art strategies in five areas: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials and resources selection, and indoor environmental quality.

Our third priority category, Physical Plant Improvement, has been a major focus for me since I came to WKU 13 years ago. Many of our buildings and particularly the campus infrastructure are more than 40 years old, and our continued enrollment growth demands more space, better technology and an inviting campus environment. Since 2007, we have completed \$187,039,000 in new capital construction and major building renovations at WKU. Two construction projects that I am delighted to mention were completed over the last year include the Chandler Chapel and the renovation of Van Meter Hall, which was originally constructed a century ago. Three additional construction projects are scheduled for completion over the next two years:

- Gary A. Ransdell Hall, which will house the College of Education and Behavioral Science, Winter 2011
- Carroll Knicely Conference Center Addition, Winter 2011
- Music Rehearsal Building, Winter 2012

I am immensely proud of all that we accomplished in the 2009-2010 academic year, especially given the economic uncertainty that we, as well as the rest of the Commonwealth of Kentucky faced. I am grateful to our faculty and staff who have done tremendous work and also to our alumni and friends who have provided valuable support that is critical to the achievement of our strategic goals. I am also proud of our students who have engaged in research and service, pursued study abroad opportunities and competed for prestigious national awards.

Finally, I want to express my personal appreciation to the WKU Board of Regents, not only for their leadership but also for their kindness in naming the new building that will be home to our College of Education and Behavioral Sciences in honor of my tenure as WKU President. While I have many years of service to WKU ahead of me, Julie and I are deeply grateful for this ultimate recognition on the campus we hold so dear.

Certainly we will continue to face challenges, but I remain energized and excited for what is to come in the year ahead. I invite you to be a part of the unique spirit that is the driving force behind everything we do at WKU.

The Spirit Makes the Master,



Gary A. Ransdell

THE SPIRIT OF LEADERSHIP

New leadership emerged in FY 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 with the interchange of five of the 12 Administrative Council members.



Dr. Robert Owen joined WKU in Fall 2009 as Vice President for Information Technology (IT). Dr. Owen has 23 years of management

experience in small, medium, and large educational organizations, including university central system offices, university campuses, community colleges, and K-12 public education systems; 15 of these years were spent in senior leadership positions. Dr. Owen has extensive experience in strategic planning; capital and operational budgeting; contract negotiation and administration; facilities construction; crises management; and team building and employee development. Dr. Owen is known for his dedication to excellence, honesty, and integrity.

Dr. Owen received his doctorate degree in Public Administration from the University of La Verne; his Masters of Science in Education degree from the University of Wisconsin – Whitewater; and his Bachelors of Business Administration degree from the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.



Dr. Gordon Emslie joined WKU in Summer 2010 as the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Dr. Emslie was born in Hamilton, Scotland, and attended the University of Glasgow, earning baccalaureate and doctoral degrees in astrophysics. He was a Research Assistant at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics and a Research Associate at the Institute for Plasma Research at Stanford University. He then served as a faculty member at the University of Alabama in Huntsville, where he became Chair of the Department of Physics and Dean of the School of Graduate Studies, and most recently held the position of Associate Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate College at Oklahoma State University.

Dr. Emslie has also earned master's degrees in Mechanical Engineering, Atmospheric Science, and Materials Science, and a Bachelor of Arts in French, all from The University of Alabama in Huntsville. His research interests are in high-energy solar astrophysics, and he is a co-investigator on the NASA Ramaty High Energy Solar Spectroscopic Imager (RHESSI) mission. He is also a licensed Professional Engineer.



Ms. Kathryn Costello joined WKU in Spring 2011 as Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations. Ms. Costello has more than 30 years

of experience in development, strategic planning and management. She has been Vice President at four universities, including Southern Methodist, Maryland, Rice and Georgia. Ms. Costello joined WKU from the University at Buffalo, where she served as Vice President for Development since 2006. She was a partner of Alexander Haas Martin and Partners in Atlanta, where she provided clients a wide range of services, including strategic planning, board and leadership development and philanthropy. She has held other university leadership positions at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and Vanderbilt University.

Her professional accomplishments include planning and implementing capital campaigns totaling more than \$1 billion. A native of Georgia, Costello received bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Kentucky. She serves as a trustee of the International Board of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education and has served as a board member on nonprofit organizations in several cities.



Dr. Gordon C. Baylis joined WKU in Summer 2010 as Vice President for Research and President of the WKU Research Foundation.

Dr. Baylis will lead the growth of research, creative activity, and economic development for WKU. Dr. Baylis came to WKU from the University of South Carolina where he held several administrative positions including Associate Provost for Academic Initiatives and Associate Vice President for Research. Prior to that, he served as Associate Dean for the College of Liberal Arts.

Dr. Baylis attended the University of Bristol where he received a BSc. in Biochemistry and a D.V.M. He earned a Master's of Science in Psychology from Sussex University. Dr. Baylis also earned his D.Phil in Neuroscience from the University of Oxford. His research interests are in the area of cognitive neuroscience.



Mr. Ross Bjork returned to WKU in Spring 2010 as the Director of Athletics.

Mr. Bjork had worked the previous five seasons as the

Senior Associate Athletic Director for Development and External Relations at UCLA. He has 18 years of intercollegiate athletics experience as an administrator and student-athlete, having also worked on the senior staffs at the University of Miami and the University of Missouri. He also served as Assistant Development Coordinator at WKU in 1996-97. Bjork, 38, is the youngest Athletics Director among the 120 members of the Football Bowl Subdivision.

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THE SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE

This timeline includes many of the achievements of our students, faculty and staff in 2009-2010.

WKU Highlights 2009

JULY »



WKYU-PBS, WKU's Public Television service, is honored with two **Emmy Awards** by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, Ohio Valley Chapter. The documentary "Joe Downing: Poet of Color and Light" wins in the Nostalgia Program category (Producers Barbara Deeb and David Brinkley, Editor Stephen Kertis, and Executive Producer Jerry Baker) and David Brinkley wins for Lighting in the craft category for a composite of his work on "Joe Downing: Poet of Color and Light," "An Evening with Sylvia Kersenbaum" and "MainStreet."

AUGUST »

WKU **Cyber Defense Lab** is awarded \$1.2 Million for an 18-month cooperative agreement with Electronic Warfare Associates and the University of Arizona to work on one of the nation's top priorities: cybersecurity, the protection and encryption of digital data, identities, finances and transactions, and intrusion detection and prevention methodologies.

WKU reaches a milestone: surpassing enrollment of **20,000 students** as the first members of the Class of 2013 arrive on the Hill. Official enrollment for 2009-2010: 20,712.

SEPTEMBER »

WKU signs joint admissions agreements with Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) campuses in Madisonville and Owensboro, offering KCTCS students a seamless path to a four-year degree. The **Joint Admissions/ Joint Enrollment Initiative** allows students to be admitted to WKU and these KCTCS institutions at the same time, giving students access to more resources, including advising, libraries, labs and student services.

OCTOBER »

WKU is the new home to the **Chinese Flagship Institute Pilot**. The Flagship is an intensive, four-year language program funded through the Diffusion of Innovation Flagship Partner Planning Grant from The Language Flagship of the National Education Security Program at the U.S. Department of Defense.

WKU is named a top producer of U.S. **Fulbright students**. WKU is included in a list of colleges and universities producing 2009-2010 Fulbright Fellows. The success of the top producing institutions was highlighted in the Oct. 19 print edition of "The Chronicle of Higher Education." Two WKU students won Fulbright awards for 2009-2010.

The **College Heights Herald** and the **Talisman** win national Pacemaker awards at the National College Media Convention in Austin, Texas. WKU was the only university to take home national Pacemakers in both newspaper and yearbook competition. The Herald has won the national Pacemaker 12 times. The Talisman has also won 12 national Pacemakers, including five awards since resuming publication in 2003.

NOVEMBER »

WKU announces that it has surpassed the \$150 million mark in its five-year, \$200 million **New Century of Spirit Campaign**. A \$500,000 estate commitment for scholarships from Karen ('66-'71) and David Matchus of Tampa, Fla., moves WKU over the \$150 million mark.



Willie Taggart is named WKU Head Football Coach after serving as running backs coach at Stanford from 2007-2009. Taggart previously spent eight seasons as an assistant coach at WKU from 1999-2006 and served as co-offensive coordinator for WKU's 2002 I-AA National Championship team. A standout player at quarterback who set 11 school records for the Hilltoppers from 1995-98, Taggart is one of only four players in WKU's 91-year football history to have his jersey retired.

DECEMBER »

In its largest December graduation, WKU confers degrees upon nearly 1,200 students and presented an honorary doctorate to state **Rep. Jody Richards**. During WKU's 166th Commencement, WKU conferred degrees to 1,191 students (72 associate's, 908 baccalaureate, 211 master's) along with five recipients of a doctoral degree in education administration offered cooperatively by WKU and University of Louisville. More than 850 graduates participated in the ceremony at Diddle Arena.



JANUARY »

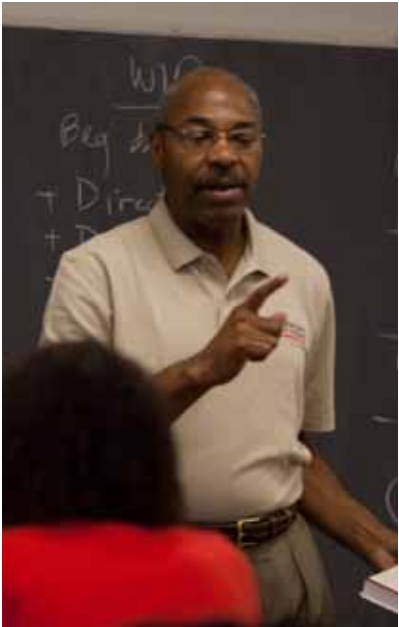
The renovation of **Van Meter Hall** comes to completion. The \$21,811,000 construction project includes a 14,000 square foot addition housing a large stage along with a multi-purpose room, various musical storage areas and a Green Room. All of the structure’s windows were replaced with exact replicas of the originals; the entire roof was replaced; two elevators were installed; new lighting was installed throughout the building; and all of the chandeliers were restored. Special niches were built to permanently house the Four Seasons statues. The new auditorium has seating for 1,106 people and includes a state-of-the-art sound and lighting system.

WKU announces an educational affiliation with the global education services provider **Navitas Ltd** (ASX: NVT) for the establishment of a University Pathways Program at the Bowling Green campus. The program leads the way for other agreements for similar university pathway programs in the United States. Currently Navitas has 28 international partnerships, and WKU is proud to be their first U.S. affiliate. The program opened in September 2010.

WKU graduate student completes DNA sequence of a virus. Completing her master’s thesis, **Ali Wright** becomes the first WKU student to complete the entire DNA sequence of an organism—the genome of a bacterial virus. In the laboratory in the Complex of Engineering and Biological Sciences, and under the instruction of her mentor, Dr. Rodney King, Wright finishes sequencing and annotating the genome of a bacterial virus isolated from the environment.

FEBRUARY »

For the sixth straight year, WKU achieves continuing **Degree Program Eligibility** status based on eight categories of the Kentucky Plan for Equal Opportunities by meeting the goals in all eight categories. By surpassing the minimum level of successful achievement, WKU is automatically eligible to offer new degree programs. The report, which was presented to the Council of Postsecondary Education (CPE), is based on data from 2008-09, which showed WKU successfully met all eight objectives. The CPE oversees the Kentucky Plan, which monitors progress in eight objectives related to African American Kentuckians in the state’s public higher education institutions. The objectives include the enrollment, retention and graduation of African American students as well as the hiring of African American faculty, staff and professionals.



MARCH »

WKU signs agreement to become home of Kentucky’s first Confucius Institute. The **Confucius Institute** (CI) at WKU engages in outreach to local educational institutions, businesses, government and community members. It offers cultural programming, language education and K-12 summer programs. It also provides teacher training, professional development opportunities, and language proficiency exams for students, teachers and the community. The CI encourages WKU students to travel and study in China by offering study abroad scholarships, and works to strengthen library holdings of scholarly work on China. Lastly, it enhances understanding and appreciation for the Chinese language and culture by sponsoring exhibits, performances (music, opera, theater), and an artist-in-residence program.

The **Lady Toppers** defeat South Alabama in the quarter-finals of the Sun Belt Conference Women’s Basketball Tournament. The win marks the 426th for Mary Taylor Cowles as a WKU player, assistant coach or head coach, a remarkable 53% of the program’s all-time total of 806 wins.

Ross Bjork, who worked the last five seasons as the Senior Associate Athletic Director for Development and External Relations at UCLA, is named WKU’s Director of Athletics. Bjork has 18 years of intercollegiate athletics experience as an administrator and student-athlete, and also worked on the senior staffs at the University of Miami and the University of Missouri. He also served as Assistant Development Coordinator at WKU in 1996-97. Bjork, 38, is the youngest Athletics Director among the 120 members of the Football Bowl Subdivision.

APRIL »

A ribbon cutting and open house dedication is held at the new **WKU-Owensboro building**. Speakers for the event included President Gary Ransdell, Daviess Judge-Executive Reid Hare, WKU Owensboro Director Gene Tice and U.S. Rep. Brett Guthrie.

Dr. A. Gordon Emslie is named WKU’s next Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. He comes from Oklahoma State University where he served as Associate Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate College. Emslie began his duties at WKU on July 1.

WKU wins the **Intercollegiate Photojournalism Competition** in the Hearst Journalism Awards Program for the 18th time in 21 years. WKU Students Joy Lewis and Lance Booth finish first and second in the Picture Story/Series- Multimedia Competition, the third and final photojournalism competition of the academic year. WKU has two top-five finishers in each of the three photo contests.

WKU **Forensic Team** wins its ninth National Forensics Association (NFA) National Tournament championship in debate and its seventh championship in individual events in record-setting fashion. WKU sets records in sweeping both the NFA and the NFA national individual events tournament April 15-19 in Athens, Ohio.

At total of **6,183 fans** attend WKU’s 24-8 baseball win over Kentucky at Bowling Green Ballpark, home of the minor league Hot Rods team. This is the largest crowd to ever see a baseball game in the state of Kentucky.

MAY »

Toyota USA Foundation awards a \$500,000 nationally competitive grant to WKU. According to Dr. Sam Evans, Dean of WKU’s College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, the grant, to be awarded over three years, will help fund WKU’s Math and Technology Leadership Academy (MTLA) which aims to increase K-5 student interest and achievement in math and technology among high risk youth in the Bowling Green Enterprise Community, as well as other areas of Warren County.

A record number of graduates earn degrees and certificates at WKU’s **167th Commencement**. The spring commencement yielded a record of 2,393 students- 127 associates degrees, 1,636 baccalaureate degrees, 503 master’s degrees, 11 specialist degrees, 116 certificates along with six recipients of doctoral degrees offered cooperatively by WKU and the University of Louisville.

WKU wins the **Sun Belt Conference** title in both men’s and women’s outdoor track, giving the Hilltoppers a total of 26 conference championships over the last three years, the highest total in the nation during this period.

In December 2009 and May 2010, a total of **83 student-athletes**, representing 18 sports, graduate during the calendar year. Over 50% of WKU’s 412 student-athletes maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher, and 85% of student-athletes who have completed their eligibility in the last 10 years have graduated.

JUNE »

The **Carol Martin Gatton Academy for Mathematics and Science in Kentucky** is named by Newsweek as one of the 20 “public elite” high schools in America for the second year in a row. Newsweek recognized 1,600 schools from across the country. Located at WKU, the Carol Martin Gatton Academy of Mathematics and Science offers a residential program for bright, highly motivated Kentucky high school students who have demonstrated interest in pursuing careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

WKU’s **School of Journalism and Broadcasting** finishes fifth overall in the 50th annual Hearst Journalism Awards Program and WKU student Scott McIntyre of Louisville wins the National Photojournalism Championship. WKU has ranked among the top eight schools nationally for 17 consecutive years in the Hearst program, often called the “Pulitzers of College Journalism.” WKU won the overall championship in 2000, 2001 and 2005.

Construction begins on the **50th station** in the Kentucky Mesonet’s weather and climate monitoring network at the Stearns Ranger Station near Whitley City in McCreary County. Stations provide valuable data to assist National Weather Service meteorologists in producing forecasts and severe weather warnings. The Kentucky Mesonet is a project of the Kentucky Climate Center, which is part of WKU’s Applied Research and Technology Program in WKU’s Ogden College of Science and Engineering. Initial funding for the Kentucky Mesonet was secured by U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell.



THE SPIRIT OF ACHIEVEMENT

WKU produced 27 nationally competitive scholarship winners in 2009-2010. Twenty-four of the 27 winners were Honors College students. Three winners were both Honors College and Kentucky Chinese Flagship students.

Fulbright Grants

The Fulbright Program is the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government. Established immediately after the end of World War II by the late U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright (Arkansas), the Fulbright program is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. Study/Research and English Teaching Assistantships include round-trip transportation to the host country; maintenance for the academic year based on living costs in the host country; and limited health benefits. Recipients of Full/Research grants may also be eligible to receive funds for books, research allowances, full or partial tuition and language study programs.



Jennifer Dooper, an English major from Owensboro, Kentucky, was awarded an English Assistantship Grant to Argentina.



Dawn Reinhardt, a German and English major from Crossville, Tennessee, was awarded a Research Grant to Germany.



Eileen Ryan, an English major from Louisville, Kentucky, was awarded an English Teaching Assistantship Grant to South Korea.



Emily Wilcox, an Art major from Louisville, Kentucky, was awarded an English Teaching Assistantship Grant to Indonesia.

Science Mathematics And Research Transformation (SMART) Scholarship

The SMART Scholarship pays for tuition and education-related fees and provides a stipend of \$25,000-\$41,000 depending on prior educational experience, paid summer internships, a health insurance reimbursement allowance, and employment placement after graduation in a government lab.



Jacob Haven, a Gatton Academy student from Paris, Kentucky, will be attending Stanford University.



Brittany Logan, an Electrical Engineering and Physics double major from Englewood, Ohio, will be continuing her education at WKU.

Critical Language Scholarship

Critical Language Scholarship institutes provide fully funded group-based intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences for seven to ten weeks for U.S. citizen undergraduate, graduate and Ph.D. students.



Rachel Reetzke, a Communication Disorders major and Flagship student from Franklin, Kentucky, will be studying Chinese.

Morris K. Udall Scholarship

The Udall Scholarship provides up to \$5,000 for tuition, room and board, or other educational expenses.



William (Joey) Coe is an Environment and Sustainable Development major from Louisville, Kentucky. He spent Fall 2009 circling the globe as

part of the Semester at Sea program.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship

The Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship provides a flat grant of \$26,000 for one academic year of study in another country. These awards are intended to help defray costs associated with round-trip transportation, tuition and other fees, room and board, and some educational supplies.



Aric Johnson, a Pre-Medicine major from Smiths Grove, Kentucky, will be attending Edinburgh University, UK.

Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship provides up to \$7,500 per year for educational expenses to sophomores and juniors who intend to pursue careers in mathematics, the natural sciences or engineering.

Amanda Beers, a Zoology and Psychology double major from Park Hills, Kentucky, received an Honorable Mention.

Robert Michael Sivley, a Computer Science major from Bowling Green, Kentucky, received an Honorable Mention.

HSP-Huygens Scholarship

The HSP-Huygens Scholarship is offered to outstanding students in the final phase of a bachelor's degree or during master's level studies, and is intended to fund study at an accredited university in the Netherlands for up to two years. The scholarship, worth 29,000 Euros (\$38,300 US), covers tuition, visa fees and airfare, and provides a monthly living stipend for food, housing and transportation.



Cassandra Warren, a Psychology major from Georgetown, Kentucky, will be attending the University of Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Foundation for Asia Pacific Education Scholarships

Foundation scholarships provide up to \$1,500 for study abroad in an approved Asian or Pacific nation.

Sara Moody, a Social Work and International Relations double major from Warsaw, Kentucky, received an award to study abroad in China, Summer 2010.

Alyssa Surina, an Economics and Mathematics double major from Nashville, Tennessee, received an award to study abroad in China, Summer 2010.

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants up to \$5,000 for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies abroad.



Jesse Hazel, an Art major from Bowling Green, Kentucky, received an award to study abroad in China, Spring 2010.

Nate Hovee, a Theatre and Broadcasting double major from Paintsville, Kentucky, received an award to study abroad in the UK, Spring 2010.

Cecelia Nugent, a Nursing major from Bowling Green, Kentucky, received an award to study abroad in the UK, Summer 2010.

Alyssa Surina, an Economics and Mathematics double major from Nashville Tennessee, received an award to study abroad in China, Summer 2010.

Freeman Indonesia Nonprofit Internship Program

The Freeman Indonesia Nonprofit Internship Program (FINIP), funded by the Freeman Foundation, aims to develop student leaders and strengthen the nonprofit sector in Indonesia. The Institute of International Education (IIE) selects and pairs ten Indonesian students pursuing U.S. degrees with ten U.S. undergradu-

ates and arranges internships for them to work together in an Indonesian nonprofit organization.

Leslye Davis, a Photojournalism and Spanish double major from Greensburg, Kentucky, was named an alternate for this award.

National Science Foundation (NSF) Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)

Students selected to participate in the REU program receive a stipend, housing for the 10-week program and food and travel allowances. Students conduct meaningful research in cooperation with an academic mentor.

Sarah (Katie) Brown, a Gatton Academy student from Taylorsville, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience at the Space Physics Research Laboratory within the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Sydney Combs, a Gatton Academy student from London, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience with the Mammoth Cave/Upper Green River Watershed Project at WKU.

James Forshee, a Gatton Academy student from Franklin, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience in Biotechnology at WKU.

Sean Freeman, a Gatton Academy student from Hebron, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience with the Mammoth Cave/Upper Green River Watershed Project at WKU.

Alexander Hare, a Gatton Academy student from Morehead, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience in Biotechnology at WKU.

Sean Karlage, a Gatton Academy student from Edgewood, Kentucky, received a Summer Research in Information Assurance Security (Cybersecurity) at Dakota State University in Madison, South Dakota.



Zachary Laux, a Gatton Academy student from Elizabethtown, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience with the Mammoth Cave/Upper Green River Watershed Project at WKU.

Margaret Matheny, a Gatton Academy student from Frankfort, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience in Biotechnology at WKU.



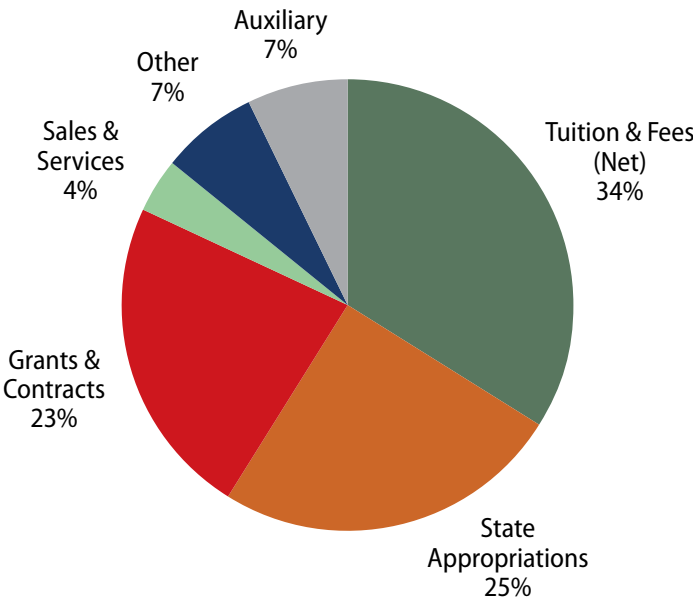
Katherine Rush, a Gatton Academy student from Frankfort, Kentucky, received a Summer Research Experience with the Mammoth Cave/Upper Green River Watershed Project at WKU.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

WKU Revenues & Expenditures for 2009–2010 (fiscal year ended June 30, 2010)

Revenues

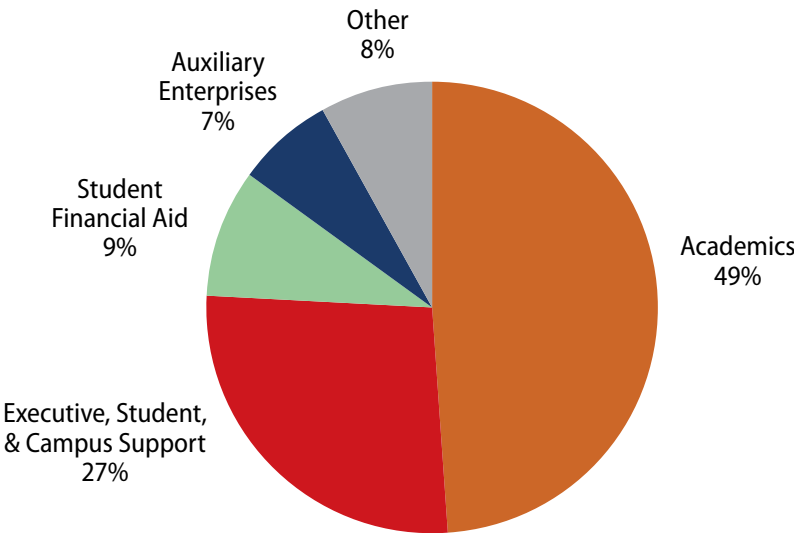
Tuition & Fees (net of discounts)	\$104,669,230	34%
State Appropriations	\$79,487,500	25%
Grants & Contracts	\$70,283,849	23%
Sales & Services of Educational Departments	\$12,604,057	4%
Other Operating & Non-Operating Revenue	\$20,888,408	7%
Auxiliary Enterprise Revenues (net of discounts)	\$21,934,437	7%
Total Revenues	\$309,867,481	100%



In addition, WKU and foundations recorded a historic amount of \$18.9 million in cash receipts. The endowment was recognized at \$102.8 million as of June 30, 2010.

Operating Expenses

Academics	\$141,326,148	49%
Executive, Student & Campus Support	\$76,752,482	27%
Student Financial Aid	\$27,287,989	9%
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$20,419,248	7%
Other	\$22,232,477	8%
Total Expenses	\$288,018,344	100%



Instruction	\$91,384,799	32%
Research	\$12,414,579	4%
Public Service	\$14,107,988	5%
Libraries	\$5,502,280	2%
Academic Support	\$17,916,502	6%
Student Services	\$25,486,436	9%
Institutional Support	\$26,427,330	9%
Operating & Maintenance of Plant	\$24,838,716	9%
Student Financial Aid	\$27,287,989	9%
Depreciation	\$17,370,987	6%
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$20,419,248	7%
Total Operating Expenses	\$283,156,854	98%
Total Non-Operating Expenses	\$4,861,490	2%
Total Expenses	\$288,018,344	100%