

## CONSUMER INFORMATION DISCLOSURE FORM

These reports—except for details that might compromise student anonymity/confidentiality are included on WISR’s website, with the titles, “Report on Student Progress/Completion Rates, Fall 2021” and our 2021 Survey of Student Satisfaction and Outcomes are on the pages of our website:

<https://wizr.edu/home/consumer-disclosures/>

The links to these reports are: a) [Report on Student Progress/Completion Rates, Fall 2021](#) and [2021 Survey of Students and Recent Alumni, and Employers/Coworkers--Results--Satisfaction and Outcomes](#)  
The link to this report is also prominently displayed on page 2 of WISR’s Catalog.

### GENERAL INFORMATION:

Name of Institution: Western Institute for Social Research

Address: 1812 San Pedro Ave., Berkeley, CA 94707

Year Founded: 1975

First Accredited: not accredited--initial State Approval 1977.

President: John A. Bilorusky, PhD

Accreditation (s) and Agency E-mail Contact Information: n/a

Participation in Funding Programs: None

### MISSION AND DESCRIPTION:

Institution Mission Statement:

“WISR provides community-involved adults with high-quality, personalized, learner-centered online and/or onsite graduate education and degrees in a collaborative, multicultural learning community. WISR engages in community education, with a commitment to action-oriented inquiry that combines theory and practice to achieve community improvement and social justice.”

Areas of Special Focus: WISR offers interdisciplinary academic degrees in Education and Community Leadership (MS Degree), an EdD in Higher Education and Social Change, and a professional Master’s in Psychology, specifically designed (and approved) to meet the State of California’s academic requirements for the MFT (Marriage and Family Therapy) and LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor) licenses.

Description of Institution: WISR provides personalized, learner-centered opportunities to pursue academic degrees, offering distance learning and on-site learning options to all of its students. WISR is a multicultural learning community welcoming people of all backgrounds and views.

Student Demographic Profile: The majority of WISR students are over 35, and with students ranging in age from their early 20s to 80. Many WISR students live in the San Francisco Bay Area, but a large minority live in

other areas, mostly in Central and Southern California, and not currently, but sometimes in other states or countries. Students are from a variety of ethnic backgrounds, including for example, African American, Latinx, Asian American, Native American, European American, Arab American, and recent immigrants. Most are employed and engaged in studies related to their current area of employment, but a significant number are either making a transition to a new career field, or concerned primarily not with employment but with further their own learning and/or making valuable contributions to their communities. Students represent a range of religious orientations, sexual orientations and gender identities.

Courses/Programs/Degrees: WISR offers courses and entire degree programs in the following areas: BS in Community Leadership and Justice, MS in Education and Community Leadership, MS in Psychology (MFT, LPCC), and EdD in Higher Education and Social Change.

Average Program Tuition/Cost per credit hour: \$8,400/year (\$700/month) for the monthly payment plan;

Maximum estimated tuition for the following programs is as follows:

MS in Education and Community Leadership: \$33,600.00

MS in Psychology /MFT Program: \$50,400.00

EdD in Higher Education and Social Change: \$50,400.00

#### SUCCESS INDICATORS:

Completion/Graduation Rate for ALL programs/courses:

Click on this link for this information:

For details about progress/graduation rates, go to:

[https://wizr.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Progress-and-Completion-Rates\\_Students-Enrolling\\_Fall\\_-2018\\_to\\_Fall\\_2021\\_for-catalog.pdf](https://wizr.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Progress-and-Completion-Rates_Students-Enrolling_Fall_-2018_to_Fall_2021_for-catalog.pdf)

EdD in Higher Education and Social Change: 50%

MS in Psychology (MFT): 91%

MS in Education and Community Leadership: 50%

Single Course Students (one BS and 4 MS in Psychology courses): 100%

#### Percentage of students surveyed who responded that:

Pass rate in MFT licensure exam : 100%

Acceptance at other schools/universities: n/a (none tried so far as we know)

Gained a new job as a result: of the approximately 70% of recent alumni responding, all who tried to get a new job succeeded.

Received job promotion or salary increase: data not available on job promotion

Gained salary increase as a result: do not know %

Pass rates on exams (GRE, SAT, LSAT, etc): none attempted so far as we know.

Results from other assessments: For details based on annual survey of students and recent alumni, with regards to student and alumni satisfaction, student and alumni accomplishments and achievements, and the satisfaction of employers/coworkers/clients with alumni job performance, go to:

[https://wisr.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/2021-Student\\_Recent\\_Alumni\\_Employer-Survey-Results\\_final\\_draft.pdf](https://wisr.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/2021-Student_Recent_Alumni_Employer-Survey-Results_final_draft.pdf)

Other indicators: see link above.