

**Notification of Request for Authorization under the Degree-Granting Institutions Act**

**Date posted:** November 17, 2025

**Institution:** University of the Cumberlands

**Accreditation:** Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges

**Current status:** Authorized to offer degree programs in Washington State

**Nature of request:** Authorization to offer six additional degree programs in WA

**Proposed programs:** Artificial Intelligence, M.S.  
Business Analytics, M.S.  
Computer Science, M.S.  
Data Science, M.S.  
Healthcare Administration, M.S.  
Project Management, M.S.

**Location:** 2400 S. 240th Street  
Des Moines, WA 98198

**Background:**

University of the Cumberlands is a private, not-for-profit, liberal arts institution located in Williamsburg, KY. It has been offering degree programs in Washington State since 2017.

**Nature of the review:**

Prior to granting authorization to offer new degree programs in Washington State, the Washington Student Achievement Council/Degree Authorization reviews elements such as program outcomes, course requirements, method of course delivery, faculty credentials, and student services.

Information on the additional programs can be found on the university's website at:

[Artificial Intelligence, M.S.](#)

[Business Analytics, M.S.](#)

[Computer Science, M.S.](#)

[Data Science, M.S.](#)

[Healthcare Administration, M.S.](#)

[Project Management, M.S.](#)

**Timeline:**

WSAC will accept comments on this application until December 17, 2025.

Any individuals with knowledge that may indicate the institution and/or the program does not meet the authorization requirements of WAC 250-61 are requested to submit comments to:

[Degree Authorization](#). Please note that comments may be shared with the institution requesting authorization and may be available to the public under Washington State law.

If you would like to know more about the current law and regulations that govern the program, they can be found at [Chapter 28B.85 RCW](#) and [WAC 250-61](#).