



THE W AT A GLANCE

- + **77%** of W graduates are still working in the state **three years** after graduation.
- + The W **leads** IHL with the highest number of Mississippians enrolled at **86%**, compared to the IHL System average of **63%**.
- + W students graduate with the **least amount of debt** among Southern regional universities.
- + IHL System leading **33.9** Degrees awarded per **100** Undergraduate FTE Enrollment.
- + More than **\$17 million** in current campus improvement projects.
- + **\$21 million** in recently completed improvement projects.
- + At The W, students are more than a number, **10:1** student-to-faculty ratio.
- + The W is one of the most diverse institutions in the IHL System. Fall 2023, **39%** of students were minorities.

THE W SUPPORTS MISSISSIPPI

The university's economic value to the state totaled more than **\$215 million** during fiscal year 2021-22. Expressed in terms of jobs, The W's impact supported **3,433 jobs**.

FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

Under the expert leadership of President Miller, The W holds **no debt**, has appropriate cash reserves, has access to a growing endowment of over **\$61 million** in assets and awarded more than **\$2 million** in scholarships. The university has several recently completed major improvement projects. The W takes pride in our thoughtful stewardship of the funding appropriated by our legislators.

INCREASED APPLICATIONS

The university has seen a **22% increase** in applications and a **28% increase** in students who have been admitted and have confirmed their intent to enroll for this fall, compared to this point last year. The increase in prospects for this same time is **up 58%** over last year due to the increased number of names from ACT.

AFFORDABLE & ACCESSIBLE

When it comes to affordable degrees, The W is **leading the state**. Washington Monthly's 2023 Best Bang for the Buck Rankings: South ranked the university **No. 15** nationally. In 2023, The W ranked **No. 1** for Least Debt among Regional Universities (South) and tied for **No. 5** in Top Performers on Social Mobility among public southern regional universities, according to U.S. News & World Report.