WEimar Institute
Degree and Certificate Programs
A CLEAR ADVANTAGE

A 2014 U.S. News and World Report blog started with these words — “You think you know, but you have no idea — this is the true story of student loans.” Student loan debt now looms at $1.2 trillion. Graduates in 2015 were the most indebted in history, averaging $35,000. Two full decades elapse before most are able to get back to zero.

Weimar Institute offers students the opportunity to gain the advantages of a distinctively Seventh-day Adventist higher education experience, but what we don’t do is government loans. In this booklet you will discover a school which not only gives you intentional spirituality, stellar academics, an emphasis on health, and training in practical skills, but one that will place you at a clear financial advantage upon graduation.

Neil Nedley, MD
President
Can You Afford to Attend Weimar?

Fifty-seven percent of Weimar students graduate with zero debt (as shown in the pie chart below). Educational programs at other schools you might consider will most likely leave you tens of thousands of dollars in debt (at an average of $30,000). Student loan debt is especially burdensome — don’t let it happen to you!

INDEBTEDNESS OF WEIMAR GRADUATES (2015)

AVERAGE INDEBTEDNESS OF GRADUATES (2013)
Institutional Student Learning Outcomes

To realize our ultimate vision — “To HEAL a Hurting World” — it is imperative we have definite objectives we expect our students to achieve during their academic and co-curricular journey at Weimar Institute. The following seven outcomes encompass the ideal to which every Weimar graduate is encouraged to aspire.

- **ISLO #1 - Spiritual Leaders.** Students follow Jesus Christ’s example of faith-filled leadership, by rendering love-motivated church ministry that magnifies the universal principles of the biblical Ten Commandments in speech and action.

- **ISLO #2 - Health Evangelists.** Students practice and promote physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual healing by leading in collaborative, community-based programming among diverse people groups domestically or internationally.

- **ISLO #3 - Critical Thinkers.** Students investigate a controversy, problem or question related to their major field where diverse perspectives are assembled, analyzed and used to draw an informed conclusion that considers
the influence of context, possible sources of bias and a priori assumptions.

- **ISLO #4 - Integrative Learners.** Students develop a biblical worldview perspective as they effectively identify and integrate one or more of the key examples, facts, theories or concepts of their major field as they relate to Scripture and the Spirit of Prophecy.

- **ISLO #5 - Effective Communicators.** Students communicate the key (threshold) concepts of their field in both written and oral forms.

- **ISLO #6 - Quantitative Reasoners.** Students solve quantitative problems and clearly communicate their findings by interpreting and representing quantitative information in two or more forms (e.g., symbolical, graphical, numerical, etc.).

- **ISLO #7 - Principled Workers.** Students display a professional commitment to strong moral principles “on the job” and in practical learning experiences by consistently producing quality work, and exercising self-discipline, self-control and diligence.
Students on the Weimar Experience:

“I had a great learning experience at Weimar Institute; if I had to redo all the courses for my major program again, I would choose to do all of them at Weimar. My learning experience here was much more practical and wholesome than I think it would have been elsewhere.”

“I can’t imagine a much higher quality of education. The teacher to student ratio is absolutely amazing, and all my professors have actively worked towards my success and personal growth.”

“I think the most valuable thing I have learned is how to combine medical missionary work with sharing the gospel. This will really help me in my future since my goal is to become a missionary. Taking care of people’s physical needs, and telling them about Jesus.”

“I transferred from another university. The teachers at Weimar are ones I haven’t found anywhere else. They teach, but then also show us what that looks like practically and teach us how to do that. They are extremely caring and helpful and go out of their way to help us understand course material and succeed.”

“Most importantly, I’ve learned to trust God to get me through life as an adult. Having to work to pay for my way through school has brought a lot of uncertainty. However, persistence has paid off and I’m incredibly thankful for the peace I have gained knowing that God has helped me get through my current program of study and will continue to lead me moving forward.”
Dedicated to Comprehensive Health Evangelism

Weimar Institute has always been known for its commitment to health and missionary work, both locally and globally. Yet, never before have we made it our primary focus — as a center of higher education in the closing hours of earth’s history — is on the finishing work of the Everlasting Gospel, in terms of comprehensive health evangelism! Our students receive superior academic and practical training not only for ministry in a specific field, but also for the opportunity to participate in local medical missionary work, such as: evangelism, community health expos, free dental clinics, and general lifestyle/wellness programs. Students have traveled to Oakland, Cali., San Antonio, Tex., and Los Angeles, Cali. here in the United States. Short-term overseas opportunities have included countries such as Nepal, Lebanon, Honduras, Zimbabwe, and India. Today, like never before, the world is in need of men and women organized, trained, and equipped to give the full Gospel message to heal a hurting world physically, mentally, and spiritually.
**Strong Relationships**

By design, Weimar Institute fosters close relationships. Faculty, staff and students live on the same campus, and often work, walk, talk, and eat together. The student population is such that you get to know everyone here. Many of our students have met their spouses at Weimar—we totally support that! It is true Weimar is not a typical college “dating scene.” However, students who are academically stable, of appropriate age, spiritually and emotionally mature, and open to counsel, are encouraged to explore possibilities for a life partner. If God is leading you to Weimar, we fully recognize He may also be leading your future spouse here, too!
LEARN PRACTICAL SKILLS

Learning at Weimar involves more than just textbooks, class lectures, tests, and writing assignments. Our students learn practical skills they can use for a lifetime. Their hands-on work makes them more capable in the classroom and better equips them to serve others!
Medical Assistant Program

• A one semester Weimar Institute HEALTH-MAP certificate.
• A Health evangelism perspective with both theory and practical applications.
• An on-campus medical ministry focused clinical site with diverse learning opportunities.
• An educational program that spends equal time in theory and practical application.
• National Healthcareer Association (NHA)- Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA)
• National Healthcareer Association (NHA)- Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT)
• National Healthcareer Association (NHA)- Certified Electrocardiogram Technician (CET)
• Passing grade for the course is 73%
HEALTH

HEALTH EVANGELISM AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR HIM

• Be trained as a leader in health evangelism in only 4 months
• Integrate health, the “right arm of the gospel,” into your local church, community, or clinical setting as a vital and balanced part of the evangelism cycle
• Learn how to articulately explain the causes of disease and the simple lifestyle practices and treatments that mitigate them
• Gain practical, hands-on experience leading Bible studies, Depression Recovery, health expos, cooking schools, personal health coaching, and more in a real local church setting
• Six day HEALTH-2-GO is tailored for the busiest professionals
• Affordable tuition
Why do Business at Weimar?

Want a business degree that teaches you how to pray with your staff and their families… witness to your clients and vendors… and provide health evangelism while doing accounting, management, and operations? Weimar Institute’s new Bachelor in Business Administration (BBA) could be your perfect match.

- Exemplifies integrating faith into business
- Faculty includes highly successful business leaders
- Strong business principles to prepare for worldwide service
Why Do Theology at Weimar?

- Our program is uniquely structured to offer the possibility of bi-vocational ministry (e.g., trained in pastoral ministry and being pre-med)
- Gain ministry experience in the context of an intentionally planted discipleship church on the Weimar campus, as well as other area churches during your academic program
- Integrated practical experiences in the world class NEWSTART™ and Nedley™ Depression and Anxiety Recovery programs
- Highly experienced pastors and theologians teach your classes
- Many conferences within the North American Division and the world church hire Weimar graduates
Why Do Pre-med at Weimar?

• Superb instructors make the difficult sciences easier to learn and apply
• Small class sizes
• Unique clinical rotations and experiences in world class NEWSTART™ and Nedley™ Depression and Anxiety Recovery programs
• Great opportunities to publish research using practical data from lifestyle and health programs on campus
• 85% of graduates owe less than $2000 in school debt at graduation (2015 data)
• Healthful climate and surroundings in the beautiful Sierra Nevada foothills
• Intentional Christ-centered, mission emphasis throughout the program
• Since 2009, 100% of Weimar graduates in pre-med have been accepted into medical school
Why Do Nursing at Weimar?

- Associate degree nursing program (i.e., RN)—the first alternative nursing program of its kind in California
- California Board of Registered Nursing approved
- Scientific, evidence-based nursing process approach
- Whole person care emphasis (body, mind, spirit)
- Brand new, state of the art, high fidelity Nursing Simulation Skills lab
- Clinical experience in the world class NEWSTART™ and Nedley™ Depression and Anxiety Recovery programs
- Training in the clinical use of massage and hydrotherapy
- Health promotion and complementary medicine from a Seventh-day Adventist perspective
- Qualified, compassionate instructional team
- Bi-vocational options are available with this program
- NCLEX eligible, upon successful completion of the program
Why Do Education at Weimar?

- Designed from the ground up to be an experiential program with practical experience in schools from the first year
- Includes a one-year student teaching experience
- Focuses on ministering in home schools and small schools
- Seeks to implement the science of true Christian education, following the biblical principle as outlined in the writings of Ellen White
- Unique-to-Weimar opportunities to work with the NEWSTART™ lifestyle program and Nedley™ Depression and Anxiety Recovery program designed to expose students to comprehensive health evangelism work from a world-class team
- Curriculum designed to address the needs outlined in the North American Division’s teacher certification
- Practical and experiential learning opportunities within multiple education environments both as stand-alone experiences as well as integrated into coursework
Weimar Institute is currently pursuing regional accreditation through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WSCUC). The following statement, published by WSCUC, accurately represents our standing in the accreditation process.

“Weimar Institute has been recognized as a Candidate for Accreditation by WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), 985 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100, Alameda, CA 94501, 510.748.9001. This status is a preliminary affiliation with the Commission awarded for a maximum period of five years. Candidacy is an indication that the institution is progressing toward Accreditation. Candidacy is not Accreditation and does not ensure eventual Accreditation.” Questions about Candidacy status can be directed to Weimar Institute’s Accreditation Specialist at (530) 422-7971 or to WSCUC at (510) 748-9001 or at www.wscuc.org.

Weimar Institute has full-time staff dedicated to completing the accreditation process. We are currently slated to have our “Seeking Accreditation Visit II” in the Fall of 2018.
Why YOU SHOULD ATTEND WEIMAR:

- Superior preparation for the work of a comprehensive health evangelist, first and foremost!
- Excellent academics provide solid preparation for work or graduate school
- Practical education in agriculture, construction, etc.
- Spiritual nurture, plus local and global evangelistic efforts through the Weimar campus church
- Integrated practical experiences in the cutting-edge NEWSTART™ and Nedley™ Depression and Anxiety Recovery programs
- The healthful climate and peaceful surroundings of the beautiful Sierra Nevada foothills — just an hour drive from Lake Tahoe
- Did we mention the high probability of finishing college debt free?!
COMMITTED TO YOUR SUCCESS

An education at Weimar Institute is far more than simply completing a degree or preparing for a career. There is a much higher purpose—preparation for a life of service to Christ and connection to His church (Education, p. 268). To this end, Weimar Institute’s faculty and staff are dedicated to the wholistic education of students as guided by our four core competencies:

**Health and Wellness, Evangelism, Academic Excellence, Labor and Service**

Together, the four competencies (HEAL) enable students to have a better balance between theory and practice. Moreover, they also encompass the Institute’s vision:

“To Heal and Hurting World”

Here are some other reasons why you (or a student you know) should attend Weimar Institute:

- Faculty and staff are committed to the spiritual nurture of our students, which undergirds academic success.
- Students learn from experts in the field.
- Class sizes are small with low student-faculty/staff ratios (~1:5).
- Students have the opportunity to spend time with faculty and/or staff in their homes. (A 2016-17 survey showed that more than 90% of students had visited a faculty or staff member home in the past semester.)
- Students participate in weekly outreach and community service with faculty and staff through our Total Community/Campus Involvement (TCI), in addition to other activities.

Do you sense God leading you to Weimar? Are you longing for excellence in academics along with an emphasis in evangelism and service—all in the context of a spiritually uplifting learning environment? If so, please contact our admissions office today!

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Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs
Notice to Prospective Degree Program Students:
This institution is approved by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education to offer degree programs. To continue to offer degree programs, this institution must meet the following requirements:

• Become institutionally accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education, with the scope of the accreditation covering at least one degree program.
• Achieve accreditation candidacy or pre-accreditation, as defined in regulations, by July 1, 2017, and full accreditation by July 1, 2020.

If this institution stops pursuing accreditation, it must:

• Stop all enrollment in its degree programs, and
• Provide a teach-out to finish the educational program or provide a refund.

An institution that fails to comply with accreditation requirements by the required dates shall have its approval to offer degree programs automatically suspended.
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