



WGU Nevada Summer 2017 Newsletter

Wise Words

Wise words about the current WGU Nevada student base from Chancellor Spencer Stewart



2017 WGU Nevada Commencement Graduate Speaker Cae Swanger

Cae Swanger from Henderson, NV held the position of Chief Information Officer for the Far West Division of Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) before deciding to go back to school. She decided to get an MBA in Healthcare Management to be an enlightening example to those around her. She is now an officer of a team that supports clinical applications, imaging systems, pharmacy systems and custom applications for HCA.



2017 Commencement Keynote

Speaker Rep. Ruben Kihuen

Representative Ruben Kihuen of Nevada's 4th congressional district gave the address at the 2017 WGU Nevada Commencement. Kihuen is originally from Guadalajara, Mexico. His parents moved his family to the United States in order to inspire them to pursue the American Dream. Kihuen was the first in his family to go to college. He is the first Latino to represent the state of Nevada in the United States House of Representatives.



2017 WGU Nevada Commencement at The Smith Center

Gallup Study on 2,700 WGU

Graduates Reveals New Findings for Success After College

According to the study:

- The employment rate for WGU alumni who have graduated within the last five years – 81 percent – outdistances the national average of 74 percent.
- WGU graduates are more likely to be engaged employees – 15 percent higher than the national average.
- WGU graduates said their experience was worth the cost – 73 percent compared to 38 percent.

[Read more here](#)



2017 Commencement student speakers Logan McDaniel, Carrie Brown, Cae Swanger and Samantha Brady

WGU Offers \$500,000 in Smart

Choice Scholarships

To help students better afford investing in their future through education, Western Governors University (WGU) is now offering 250 Smart Choice Scholarships – each valued at up to \$2,000 – \$500 per six-month term for up to four terms.

Each Smart Choice Scholarship is open to new and enrolling students in any of the more than 60 bachelor's and master's degree programs offered at WGU. Applications are now being accepted for these scholarships through September 30.

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WGU Nevada Chancellor Spencer Stewart and Representative Ruben Kihuen

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