



## MEDIA ADVISORY



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### **College of Western Idaho Forms Partnership with University of Phoenix to Facilitate Continuing College Education**

*Alignment will provide CWI students added flexibility and multiple learning opportunities when transferring to University of Phoenix after completing their associate's degree.*

Nampa, Idaho – College of Western Idaho ([cwidahocc.edu](http://cwidahocc.edu)) is pleased to announce that it has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with University of Phoenix (UOPX) ([phoenix.edu](http://phoenix.edu)). This agreement affords CWI graduates an additional, guaranteed, seamless transfer pathway at the junior level into any online bachelor's degree at the University of Phoenix.

“This agreement with University of Phoenix will provide our students and employees with a multitude of educational options and convenience,” said David Shellberg, CWI’s Executive Vice President of Instruction and Student Services. “Our students now have access to programs and resources that will better position them to succeed in their academic endeavors.”

University of Phoenix accepts up to 60 community college transfer credits toward its bachelor's degree programs. Students currently enrolled in CWI programs have an opportunity to transfer their credits to an applicable University of Phoenix degree program.

Through this agreement, UOPX will establish additional program-specific transfer guides with CWI. These guides provide a clear transfer pathway for students who have career and education aspirations beyond a completed Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), or Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree.



“We are proud to partner with CWI in their endeavors to help students continue pursuing their educational goals,” said Doris Savron, Executive Dean for the College of Health Professions, Education and Humanities and Sciences. “University of Phoenix provides career-relevant education to help students realize their dreams of higher education, and the opportunity to continue this mission is at the heart of all that we do.”

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### **About College of Western Idaho**

College of Western Idaho is a public, open-access, and comprehensive community college committed to offering affordable access to quality teaching and learning opportunities to the residents of its service area in western Idaho. CWI has seven campus locations throughout Southwest Idaho providing higher education and 21st Century technical skills acquisition. The college is dedicated to improving the community’s economic well-being by responding with highly-educated and productive graduates. For more information about the college, visit [www.cwidaho.cc](http://www.cwidaho.cc) or call (208) 562-3000.

### **About University of Phoenix®**

University of Phoenix focuses on helping working adults move from education to careers in a rapidly changing world. It offers flexible class schedules, relevant and engaging courses, and interactive learning to help students more effectively pursue career and personal aspirations while balancing their busy lives. It serves a diverse student population, offering associate, bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degree programs from campuses and learning centers across the U.S. as well as online. For more information, visit [phoenix.edu](http://phoenix.edu).

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