

2022 NHI CWS: A Growth Experience for Aspiring Community Leaders Applying to Selective Colleges



Guiding scholars to take control of their future and determine their own outcomes...



- SEE OLD FRIENDS AND ADD NEW ONES TO YOUR NETWORK
- MAKE COLLEGE DECISIONS WITH SOUND JUDGMENT AND INFORMATION
- ADVANCE YOUR READINESS AND KNOWLEDGE OF COLLEGE ADMISSIONS WITH PERSONALIZED COACHING FROM NHI COLLEGE REGISTER PROFESSIONALS
- MAP OUT A LEADERSHIP QUEST AND VISION WITH YOUR NHI PEERS THAT SPANS INTO ADULTHOOD
- EARN YOU NHI HONOR CORDS, DIPLOMA, AND GRADUATE FROM THE NHI ACADEMY WITH YOUR FELLOW PEERS

CWS PURPOSE AND GOALS



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CWS is the National Hispanic Institute's (NHI) capstone experience for high school juniors preparing for their senior year. Created 30 years ago, it aims to provide future leaders as much insight and practice as possible to prepare for the transition to adulthood, with an emphasis on both college readiness and leadership development.

NHlers enjoy working with students with similar academic prowess, of a familiar cultural background, and who seek admission to competitive colleges/universities. If this sounds like you, apply to the CWS. NHI students are high ability people who aim to be active and respected members of society - academically, professionally, and civically. For example, NHI students pursue collegiate studies at a 98% rate. Nearly one in three NHI students seek to study outside of their home state. Research from our 2021 graduating class showed that NHlers applied to an average of 7.7 colleges/

universities and were admitted at a 75% rate -NHlers fare better than national admission averages at most universities!

Getting coached for success in the college admissions process is only one part of making decisions about your future; making a final institutional selection based on your life goals and values requires a different lens. The CWS addresses the emotional and psychological factors that impact life plans by providing a process for decision-making called Inquiry Based Learning. Using this process, students team up to take on complex challenges and use inquiry-based processes to offer strategic plans for their future goals. CWS graduates are considered high potential candidates for future faculty roles with NHI, as they are students of the inquiry process used by NHI leaders to evolve new program experiences, ideas, and concepts in community social entrepreneurship.

CWS PROCESS

Through a blend of online modules, in-person and face-to-face advising from admission experts, direct coaching from college students at top-tier institutions, CWS students enter their senior year of high school with:

- A NEAR COMPLETE ADMISSIONS PORTFOLIO
- INFORMATION TO SUBMIT CONCISE AND ACCURATE COLLEGE APPLICATIONS
- A MENTAL MODEL TO MAKE BEST CHOICES
- A STRONG SUPPORT NETWORK OF COLLEGE-BOUND NHI FRIENDS OF NHI FRIENDS WHO ARE ALSO HEADING TO COLLEGE

Part 1 of the CWS - the League Series - features several competitive challenges. Here, participants practice jumping several college admissions hurdles through advanced work on their:

- COLLEGE APPLICATION USING NATIONAL MODELS
- ESSAY AND PERSONAL STATEMENT
- ONE-ON-ONE INTERVIEW
- ACADEMIC RÉSUMÉ AND DIGITAL PROFESSIONAL PROFILE
- MAKING SENSE OF FINANCIAL AID PACKAGES

CWS students receive written and verbal feedback on all submissions prior to and during the experience. In many cases, participants stay connected to their CWS team, coach, and mentors throughout the college application process. Students receive recognition for their personal performance and team work during the League Series, and receive both acknowledgment and awards in connection to their work.

To bring context and perspective to planning their young adult life, CWS also features a Part 2, the "Thought Series". In the "Thought Series, students practice investigation, inquiry, and analysis to strengthen their executive faculties to make complex leadership decisions. Through the Thought Series, teams of CWS scholars tackle case studies and challenges they will invariably face in future leadership roles. Teams who do the best in fully examining the possibilities of each challenge are declared the Thought Series champions!

The CWS experience concludes with an official diploma for completion of the NHI high school academy. Honor cords are issued to each participant with colors designating their years of NHI participation and indicating completion of individual NHI experiences such as the Great Debate and LDZ. There are three in-person sites scheduled for 2022 as well as an online CWSx format.

The CWSx is a digital experience that was created to fulfill the same learning outcomes of NHI's in-person Collegiate World Series program. It offers exceptional outcomes for learning and achievement since NHI begins working with students further in advance than with historical CWS programming. In 2021 and 2022, surveys showed that over 95% of CWSx participants would encourage their peers to experience this format [CWSx] for NHI leadership training as they prepare for their undergraduate studies. Now you can choose to advance yourself in-person or online!

ABOUT NHI



“We do everything possible to help our members realize their potential and equip them with the skills sets, competencies, and mindsets that give them the best prospects for success.” *- Gloria de León, Co-Founder*

In the modern world, special efforts are required by the Latina/e/o/x community to establish a sustainable means of supplying itself with assertive, goal-driven young people with the leadership potential to respond to the complex challenges of global society. NHI was established for this purpose, and to introduce young future community leaders to concepts of leadership that build assets and capacities.

In addition to a full series of youth programs, NHI engages its members in local and international community initiatives with over 25 organizations managed by past participants, parents, and dedicated volunteers locally. NHI members annually benefit from being part of a growing alumni network that includes leaders in government, the arts, business, education, and so much more. NHI College Register members include partner institutions like: California Berkeley, Colorado State University-Fort Collins, Austin College, the University of San Diego, Augustana College, Cornell, NYU, Stanford, Swarthmore, and the University of Texas at Austin.

Other benefits include lifelong access to a continuous learning series of webinars, workshops, and other training for college and graduate students, as well as membership in a global alumni network of influencers and community impact players.

NHI BY THE NUMBERS

NHI Student Profile

- Since 1979, over 100,000 youth have participated in NHI learning experiences
- 98% of NHI members enroll in college upon graduation from high school (2021)
- 95% of NHI members are admitted to selective colleges and universities (2021)
- 90% of NHI members complete their undergraduate degrees in 5 years or less (2014)
- NHI's Class of 2020 experienced acceptance rates far above institutional averages (see Exhibit A)

Student Ratings of CWS and CWSx

- 99.6% would advise peers to experience this [digital] format for NHI leadership training as they prepare for undergraduate studies
- More than 90% gained a greater understanding of the college admissions and financial aid process
- More than 95% indicate they plan to pursue college immediately in a 4-year undergraduate program
- 96% of CWSxers recommend the experience for rising seniors in high school
- 70% expressed an intent to volunteer with NHI
- More than 90% realize they are members of a globally connected network of future community leaders and two-thirds plan to continue NHI leadership programs as adults



EXHIBIT A

Outstanding Selected Acceptance Rates

*NHI Class of 2021 - NHI rate vs. Reported Rate

Austin College: 90% (*55%)

Colby College: 40% (*13%)

Cornell University: 50% (*11%)

Emory University: 50% (*18.5%)

New York University: 35% (*20%)

Southwestern University: 100% (*45%)

Stanford University: 30% (*4.4%)

Swarthmore College: 20% (*9.5%)

Trinity University: 65.4% (*34%)

University of Chicago: 18.2% (*7%)

University of Notre Dame: 30% (*17.7%)

University of Texas at Austin: 62% (*38.5%)

Washington University in St. Louis: 27% (*15%)

NHI collected a 22% sample of 1,275 graduating seniors

*US News & World Report, 2019 reported acceptance rates

CWS STUDENT TESTIMONY



"I am a first generation student and only child. The college process itself is very intimidating and when you don't have anyone to ask for help it's more than intimidating. The friendships I have made through my NHI journey are friends I know I can call up at any moment for help and this wasn't the exception. I am not alone in this process and there are people who want me to do well, are a resource for me, and are cheering me on."

-Guadalupe G

"I went to the program not really knowing what to expect, especially because of the virtual format. My expectations were definitely exceeded. I had an amazing coach! I feel much more prepared for the college process and was glad I got to meet such amazing people."

-Stephanie E

"I was able to become familiar with the college admissions process in the United States. The CWSx team helped me improve everything I'd already done: my essay, my resume, etc. I met and worked with amazing people, making me feel part of a very big community. I loved this experience!" - Rodrigo R., Mexico

WHAT ELSE ARE STUDENTS SAYING? BECAUSE OF CWS:

- "I am more confident in the college application process."
- "I have more direction with my essay."
- "I now feel like I have this huge support system and extensive network at my disposal."
- "I learned more about financial aid programs and the college applications process in two days than I had in two years at my school."
- "The CWS was a good training in how to conduct myself on Zoom meetings and how to work together virtually."
- "I hope I can contribute to NHI in the future; CWSx is something I'll never forget!" e rates

UNIVERSITY COACH TESTIMONY

"I was blown away by the planning and direction of the organizers and their commitment to their work. My favorite part was working with my team of bright and energetic students." *Admissions Coach, Vanderbilt University*

"Even though I was there to help students, I was the one that felt so inspired the more I learned about my students. I would hands-down participate in CWSx again!" *Admissions Coach, Emory University*



ADVANTAGES TO THE STUDENT

- Learn to avoid common, time consuming mistakes in the college admission process
- Access professional guidance for a life-changing financial investment
- Avoid financial pitfalls that may not align with your goals
- Use inquiry and investigation as the principal means to make decisions
- Make leadership development an ongoing staple in your life
- Gain insight from NHI college student mentors
- Renew your NHI friendships, networks, and add new mentors to your life



2022 CWS TOURNAMENT DATES:

CWSx 1

Texas CWS

Site TBD North or
Central Texas

Late July

CWSx 2

Southeastern CWS

Site TBD

June/July

CWSx (online)

TBA

APPLYING AND ENROLLING IN CWS

Students apply to the CWS program during their junior year of high school and participate during June or July, before starting their senior year. They should have a minimum 3.2 GPA (88%) or better when applying to the CWS. Applicants should apply between September 15 - November 15 for limited spots, but may call for availability at any time. In the Spring semester, students receive self-guided content and resources that prepare them for the interactive program. For example students start to develop rough drafts of several components of their college admissions package. They receive coaching from volunteers and knowledge from College Register webinars and video content shared prior to the CWS.



RECOMMENDED STUDENT PROFILE:

- Students who graduate from high school in 2023
- Students who aspire to be a community leader
- Students who seek to enroll in and graduate from a four-year college/university
- Students who hold an 88/100 GPA or minimum of a 3.2/4.0

PLUS at least 2 of the following goals:

- Students who will invest their time to increase their chances of admission
- Students who enjoy working collaboratively in a Latina/e/o/x/Hispanic cultural environment
- Students who enjoy challenges and scholarly conversations
- Students who enjoy working in teams with new people

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Early Admission – October 15, 2021

Regular Admission - November 15, 2021

Late Admission - December 20, 2021; call for availability

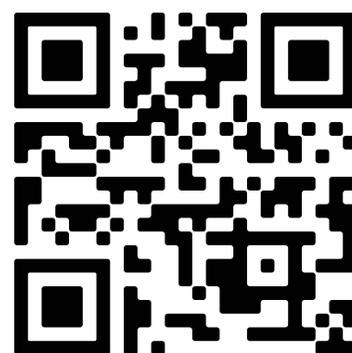
TUITION + FEES

Collegiate World Series

\$745.00 tuition + \$25.00 application fee

CWSx Virtual Experience

\$595.00 tuition + \$25.00 application fee



* see website for details

APPLY TODAY: WWW.NATIONALHISPANICINSTITUTE.ORG/CWS

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Annually, partner institutions of higher learning make up NHI's College Register, a consortium of member colleges and universities that are committed to supporting the successful transition of NHI students to their campuses. These institutions provide year-round support by participating in virtual seminars and panels, attending NHI college fairs, providing feedback and ideas regarding research, and sending representatives as coaches to the CWS programs.



APPLY TO CWS today!

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