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## Three Students Get Tuition for a Year from WGU and the Salt Lake Bees News Brief - 9/20/16

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SALT LAKE CITY — Western Governors University (WGU) and the Salt Lake Bees recently teamed up to grant scholarships worth a year’s tuition to three local students. WGU President Scott Pulsipher presented the scholarships to Patricia Babock, Kris Loertscher, and Tyler Rindlisbacher at the Bees’ last home stand of the season.

Each of the winners is currently enrolled at WGU. Babcock is earning her bachelor’s degree in nursing, Loertscher is working toward her bachelor’s degree in special education, and Rindlisbacher is completing his bachelor’s degree in accounting.

“This scholarship will help me finish my degree faster so that I can take my skills into a classroom of my own next year,” said Kris Loerstscher, who is currently a paraprofessional at an elementary school in West Valley City. The majority of WGU students are working adults who benefit from WGU’s flexibility and online, competency-based courses, which allow students to advance through their programs as soon as they are able to demonstrate mastery of the material. WGU has more than 72,000 students nationwide, including 4,800 in Utah.

“The Salt Lake Bees are proud to join WGU to give these students free tuition for one year,” said Marc Amicone, Salt Lake Bees general manager. “The Bees’ organization places great value on education, and we are thrilled to help provide academic assistance to members of our community.”

Online, accredited, and nonprofit, WGU offers more than 50 bachelor’s and master’s degrees in business, K–12 teacher education, information technology, and health professions, including nursing. For more information about WGU, visit [www.wgu.edu](http://www.wgu.edu).

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