

# Border Policy Research Institute

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# About the Border Policy Research Institute

- Established in 2005 at Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA
- Multidisciplinary Research Institute Focused on Policy Research Dealing with Transportation, Mobility and Security Issues Affecting the Canada-U.S. Border

# Why Western Washington University?

# 1. Strategic Location



## 2. WWU Border Policy Resources

- Center for Canadian-American Studies
- Trilateral Agreement: COLEF/SFU/WWU
- Center for Economic and Business Research
- Huxley College of Environmental Studies
- Center for International Business

# BPRI Mission

- Conduct Research for Improving Public Policies Dealing with Transportation, Mobility and Security Issues in the Region.
- Provide a Focus in the Region for Informed Commentary and Insight Regarding Complex Border Issues.
- Facilitate Interaction Within the University Community on Critical Border Issues

# Current Research Projects

- The Effect of Post-9/11 Security Measures on Commodity Trade Flows at Major Canada/U.S. Ports of Entry
- The Impact of Tariff Harmonization and Perimeter Security Measures on Whatcom County's Industrial Structure and Transportation Patterns
- Measuring the Effect of 9/11: An Econometric Investigation of Canada-U.S. Border Crossings
- Cross-Border Port Competitiveness and the Environment in the Puget Sound and Georgia Basin