

## IN THIS ISSUE:

<b>2016 UW System Fall Workshops</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Mailing List Update</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Athletic Training Update</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Prior Prior Year</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>UW System Precollege Program Directory</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Webinars for Your Prospective UW System Students</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Wisconsin Education Fairs (WEF)</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Major Changes</b>	<b>3</b>



Photo: UW-Eau Claire

## Supporting Students Completing the UW System Application

One of the many services our team enjoys is extending help to students who are completing the UW application for admission ([apply.wisconsin.edu](http://apply.wisconsin.edu)). We have added new avenues toward that goal during the last few months and wanted to put all the options in one place for you and your students.

- See our YouTube videos that show helpful hints about applicants' common questions: <https://www.youtube.com/user/uwHelp>
- In August we are facilitating eight 30-minute webinars that address how to complete the application successfully. Presenters will respond to participants' questions about the application and the admission process. Space is limited and registration is required at: [uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/liveline](http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/liveline)
- Currently, we are piloting a live chat option within the application for admission which offers immediate assistance to questions.
- You or your students may tweet questions via twitter at [@UWSystemHELP](https://twitter.com/UWSystemHELP)
- E-mail or call our team at [eapp@uwex.edu](mailto:eapp@uwex.edu) or 800.442.6459 with live support Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, and Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. We will close at 4:30 in the summer. We also plan to add a texting option this fall.

## 2016 UW System Fall Workshops

Each September, UW System admissions officers and UW HELP offer high school counselors and other educators free morning workshops in regional locations. Attend the workshops to receive updates and insight to assist college-bound students. The schedule for fall 2016 is:

### Week 1

Monday, September 12 UW-Marathon County

Tuesday, September 13 UW-Fox Valley

Wednesday, September 14 UW-La Crosse

Thursday, September 15 Earle Brown Center,  
Brooklyn Center, MN

Friday, September 16 UW-River Falls

### Week 2

Monday, September 19 UW-Madison

Tuesday, September 20 UW-Milwaukee

Wednesday, September 21 UW-Parkside

Thursday, September 22 Stonegate Conference  
Center, Hoffman Estates, IL

Friday, September 23 UW-Waukesha

Workshop invitations will be mailed in August with more detailed information and registration instructions.

## Mailing List Update

UW HELP is beginning the process of revitalizing our mailing list. We want to make sure we have the most current contact information so you can continue to receive UW System news. Being a subscriber to the mailing list provides you with UW System updates, our annual fall poster mailing, invitations to workshops and webinars, the ByLine Campus Direct, and of course our periodic ByLine newsletter. This will be a six-month project with many reminders to update or confirm your information on our mailing list. We appreciate your cooperation! Please use this [form](#) to confirm your contact information for the UW HELP mailing list.



Photo: UW-Milwaukee

## Athletic Training Update

Because of accreditation requirements, Athletic Training is transitioning from an undergraduate degree to a graduate degree across the country. Some UW campuses will no longer admit students to an Athletic Training bachelor's program. Check with the admissions office at your students' campus of interest to see if they will still admit at the undergrad level.

As of this writing, both UW-Stevens Point and UW-Milwaukee are no longer admitting undergrads.

Every UW campus that has offered Athletic Training as a bachelor's degree intends to offer it as a graduate program.

## Prior Prior Year

As you may know, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, is changing in two ways for seniors wanting to attend college starting fall 2017:

- The FAFSA will be available three months earlier than in previous years and that will be on October 1, 2016, rather than on January 1, 2017. The Department of Education has coined the term “Early FAFSA” for this change.
- The income used on the 2017-18 FAFSA will be from two years prior to the application year (referred to as “Prior Prior Year),” rather than only one year prior to the application year as is currently the case.

This move will help students in several ways:

- By having the FAFSA available earlier, students will be able to complete their federal aid applications in the same timeframe as their college admissions applications, streamlining the college application process.
- By using earlier income data, more families will have their completed tax information available by the time they are ready to apply for financial aid. This will make it easier to fill in application forms, and increase the likelihood that families will be able to import their income directly from the IRS using the online Data Retrieval Tool (DRT).

Financial aid priority filing deadlines may change. Our office will communicate those dates in the fall ByLine newsletter.



Photo: UW-Madison

## UW System Precollege Program Directory

Visit the searchable Precollege Program Directory at [precollege.wlearn.com](http://precollege.wlearn.com) to find nearly 400 programs covering a range of topics including art, science, technology, athletics, and more. Internet access is not required to register for Precollege Programs or to apply for the DPI scholarship. UW HELP advisers are available to speak directly with interested parents and students to assist with the Precollege registration process and DPI scholarship application—just call 800-442-6459.



Photo: UW-Superior

## Webinars for Your Prospective UW System Students

Once again, UW HELP is sponsoring UW System webinars wherever your school and families are located. Our team has created an interactive webinar where we will talk about the UW System and the admissions process for your students and/or parents.

There will be a chance to ask questions over chat or phone. We estimate the webinars will last 30 to 45 minutes.

You will need to provide the physical environment for your students and an internet connection. To inquire about this option, please email [uwhelp@uwex.edu](mailto:uwhelp@uwex.edu) and we will work out the details.

## Save the Date!

### Wisconsin Education Fairs (WEF)

Plan to attend a free WEF at a location below! Prospective students and families can meet with nearly 200 admissions representatives from all over the region. Visit [wefs.org](http://wefs.org) for more information.

- Monday, September 12 Ashland 9:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, September 13 Minocqua 9:00-11:00 am  
 Wednesday, September 14 Rice Lake 9:00-11:00 am  
 Wednesday, September 14 Wausau 6:30-8:30 pm  
 Thursday, September 15 Wausau 9:00-11:00 am  
 Thursday, September 15 De Pere 6:30-8:30 pm\*  
 Friday, September 16 De Pere 9:00-11:00 am\*
- Monday, September 19 Richland Center 9:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, September 20 Platteville 9:00-11:00 am  
 Wednesday, September 21 Beloit 9:00-11:00 am  
 Thursday, September 22 Sun Prairie 9:00-11:00 am  
 Thursday, September 22 Sun Prairie 6:30-8:30 pm  
 Friday, September 23 Kenosha 9:00-11:00 am
- Monday, September 26 Delavan 9:00-11:00 am  
 Monday, September 26 Hartland 6:30-8:30 pm  
 Tuesday, September 27 Milwaukee 9:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, September 27 New Berlin 6:30-8:30 pm  
 Wednesday, September 28 Sheboygan 9:00-11:00 am  
 Wednesday, September 28 Franklin 6:30-8:30 pm  
 Thursday, September 29 Fond du Lac 9:00-11:00 am
- Monday, October 3 Marinette 9:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, October 4 Oshkosh 9:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, October 4 Menasha 6:30-8:30 pm  
 Wednesday, October 5 Wisconsin Rapids 9:00-11:00 am  
 Thursday, October 6 La Crosse 9:00 am-1:30 pm  
 Friday, October 7 Eau Claire 9:00-11:00 am

\*If there is a Green Bay Packer game scheduled for September 15, De Pere's WEF will take place September 29 & 30.

### Major Changes

These are the changes to majors since our last newsletter. They are effective immediately unless otherwise noted.

#### Majors Offered at New Locations

**UW-Platteville** extended their Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering majors to the **UW-Fox Valley** and **UW-Rock County** campuses.

#### New Majors

**UW-Milwaukee** started offering a Biomedical Engineering major.

**UW-River Falls** is offering a Neuroscience major this fall.

#### Renamed Majors

**UW-La Crosse** renamed the Community Health Education major as Public Health and Community Health Education.

Effective this fall, **UW-Stout** is renaming the Information Technology Management major as Computer Networking and Information Technology.

#### Suspended Major

**UW-Milwaukee** suspended admission to their Athletic Training major. The program is transitioning to a master's degree.

**UW-Platteville** suspended admission to their Microsystems and Nanotechnology Engineering major.

### Connect

**Web site** [uwhelp.wisconsin.edu](http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu)

**Email** [uwhelp@uwex.edu](mailto:uwhelp@uwex.edu)

**Phone** 800.442.6459 (via 711 relay)

UW HELP

5602 Research Park Blvd. Suite 300  
 Madison, WI 53719

**UW > HELP**  
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM