FIND YOURSELF AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM

What’s this? Watch the video at uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/summer-workbook
NOW’S THE TIME

Sure, college is a big decision, but it doesn’t have to be hard. This is just the beginning of a journey—your first step.

Why now?
Applications for every University of Wisconsin campus open August 1.

That’s early, but don’t worry, we’re here to be your guide. And if you start now, you’ll have all summer to get it right so you can take it seriously...without letting it take over or stress you out.

Early to rise
The sooner you apply, the sooner you’ll know where you can go, and the sooner you can start planning for your life after high school.
WE’RE HERE TO HELP

It’s literally our name. At UW HELP, our job is to make it easy for you to find, choose, and apply to the right University of Wisconsin campuses.

How do we do it?

This book is a step-by-step guide to get it right. Follow along to choose your UWs, apply, and afford your dreams. Let’s get started!

Feeling overwhelmed?

That’s why we’re here. Call or text us at 1-800-442-6459.

It’s our job to make things easy again.

PHONE 1-800-442-6459
EMAIL uwhelp@uwsa.edu
WEB uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/contact
CHOOSE YOUR UW

Start your research with the campus overviews in the attached Summer Workbook.

You’ll find UW campuses stretching across the state and covering pretty much any subject, offering a lot of amazing programs to study. This summer you can spend some time digging deeper—maybe even visit a campus or two. And then narrow it down to the campuses that feel most like you.

When you’re ready, you’ll be able to apply to all your favorite UWs at once with a single application.

Or three. Or more. We’ve got 26 to choose from.
What's the difference between UW's two- and four-year campuses?

**2 OR 4?**

**THE TWO-YEAR CAMPUS**

Two-year campuses are a great starting point if you are looking to advance your career or build a strong academic foundation that will support you in your journey towards earning a bachelor's degree. Take a course or two that helps you build up your job skills. Or try on college life more fully and get an associate degree while you think about what you want to study next and where else in the UW System you want to do it.

Our two-year campuses offer you the chance to live and learn closer to home, along with lower tuition rates, smaller class sizes, and more hands-on teaching. They have simpler admissions standards and let you earn credits that you can transfer directly to other UW four-year universities.

**OPEN ACCESS**

All of the UW's two-year campuses are open access which means that they accept the majority of students who apply. They are built to make sure every student has the opportunity to get the education they need to follow their dreams. Applying to a UW two-year campus that is open access means that you can worry less about getting in and focus instead on getting the most out of your educational experience.

**THE FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITY**

Four-year universities put you on the fast-track to earning your bachelor's degree. A degree from a four-year university will position you for an advanced professional career or graduate-level studies.

Four-year universities generally hold higher standards for admission and take a deep look at all of the basics like your high school class rank, GPA, trends in your grades, test scores, and the rigor of the courses you have taken in your senior year. They'll also look at other important aspects of who you are including your life outside of school, any special achievements you may have earned, and what you would bring to the campus community in terms of your personal background and life experience.

All of the four-year universities will require an essay with your application. (There are a few UWs who will expect you to submit two essays.) They also like to see at least one letter of recommendation—especially UW-Madison—from someone who can speak to the kind of student you have been and what you have accomplished in the classroom.
Every UW is different, with its own unique charms, student communities, and different degree offerings. Here are some big questions to ponder while you research which UWs are right for you.

**Which subjects do I want to study?**
Probably the most important question. You can start with the Career Clusters by the campus chart in the attached Summer Workbook to see which campuses will let you focus on what interests you.

**What size school is right for me?**
The best UW for you will keep you challenged and engaged, while providing you the support you need to succeed. Find a size that feels right to you, from a local community campus to an expansive university.

**What activities are available at the school?**
Life doesn’t stop after class. Look for schools that let you pursue your many other interests.

**What kind of housing do I prefer?**
Think about where you want to live. From dorm life to solo apartments to commuting to class, different schools have different options.

**How close to home do I want to be?**
Some students want to stay close while some want to explore. If this is important, it can help make your choice of UWs easier.

**Do I like the town or city?**
No matter what, you’ll probably spend a lot of time on campus, but you should like where you’re living too.

You will also want to consider tuition, room, and board. Every school has a financial aid office dedicated to helping students afford their dreams.
It’s easy, honest.

Think of this as your step-by-step guide to get it right. Use some time this summer to gather all the info you need, and follow our pointers to write a perfect essay that lets our campuses know what makes you you.

Then, on August 1, you can apply online—to all your UWs—with a single application in a single sitting. Done and done.
Activities to get you ready to apply to your UWs on August 1.
The first thing you’ll need to decide is where you want to go. Let’s start researching!

We recommend you choose at least one stretch school, one that’s your sweet spot, and one safe bet. You can then apply to all your UWs with a single application.
What do you want to study?

Each UW emphasizes different fields of study. If you know what you want to study, the Career Clusters chart on the next page can help you zero in on the campuses that will let you dig deep into what interests you most.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Career Cluster</th>
<th>UW-Eau Claire</th>
<th>UW-Green Bay</th>
<th>UW-La Crosse</th>
<th>UW-Madison</th>
<th>UW-Milwaukee</th>
<th>UW-Oshkosh</th>
<th>UW-Parkside</th>
<th>UW-Platteville</th>
<th>UW-River Falls</th>
<th>UW-Stevens Point</th>
<th>UW-Stout</th>
<th>UW-Superior</th>
<th>UW-Whitewater</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Agriculture, Food &amp; Natural Resources</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Architecture &amp; Construction</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Arts, A/V Tech &amp; Communication</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Business Management &amp; Administration</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Education &amp; Training</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Finance</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Government &amp; Public Administration</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Health Science</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hospitality &amp; Tourism</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Human Services</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Information Technology</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Law, Public Safety, Corrections &amp; Security</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Liberal Arts, Languages, History</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Manufacturing</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marketing, Sales &amp; Service</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Science, Technology, Engineering &amp; Math</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transportation, Distribution &amp; Logistics</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Not sure what each career cluster includes? To find out more, visit: [uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/career-clusters](http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/career-clusters)
Let’s take a look at the UW campuses, one by one.
Here, you will redefine the college experience to better prepare for the future. We do not shy away from pushing boundaries. We rewrite the written and achieve the unthinkable. We believe an open mind opens doors and unlocks brilliance and transformation. At the heart of all of our students is compassion. And when we embrace differences, we are a force to be reckoned with—anything is possible.

ADMISSIONS DEADLINE
February 1, 2021 — UW-Eau Claire
August 1, 2021 — UW-Eau Claire – Barron County

TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT EAU CLAIRE
Management
Marketing
Nursing
Kinesiology
Biology

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION
715-836-5415
admissions@uwec.edu
105 Garfield Ave.
Eau Claire, WI 54701

FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE
003917
March 15, 2021
### UW-Eau Claire

uwec.edu

#### ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>3.22–3.80</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>21–26</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Undergraduate enrollment</th>
<th>10,065</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Admit rate (%)</td>
<td>89</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receiving financial aid (%)</td>
<td>74.4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### CAMPUS VISIT

uwec.ly/visit

---

### UW-Eau Claire – Barron County

barron.uwec.edu

#### ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>open access</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>17–23</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Undergraduate enrollment</th>
<th>454</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Admit rate (%)</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receiving financial aid (%)</td>
<td>44.9</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### CAMPUS VISIT

uwec.ly/bcvisit
The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay is a school of forward-thinking and enterprising students, faculty and staff where more than 8,000 students pursue studies in undergraduate, graduate and doctoral programs. The University and its majestic shoreline campuses in Green Bay, Marinette, Manitowoc and Sheboygan are centers of cultural enrichment, innovation and inspiration.

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT GREEN BAY**

- Business Administration
- Nursing
- Human Biology
- Psychology
- Organizational Leadership

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**

Contact campus

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**

920-465-2111
uwgb@uwgb.edu
2420 Nicolet Dr.
Green Bay, WI 54311

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**

003899
January 15, 2021
### UW-Green Bay
uwgb.edu

**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>ACT composite</th>
<th>Undergraduate enrollment</th>
<th>Admit rate (%)</th>
<th>Receiving financial aid (%)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>7,612</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>65.5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**CAMPUS VISIT**
uwgb.edu/admissions/visit

### UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus
uwgb.edu/manitowoc

**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>ACT composite</th>
<th>Undergraduate enrollment</th>
<th>Admit rate (%)</th>
<th>Receiving financial aid (%)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>238</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>65.3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**CAMPUS VISIT**
uwgb.edu/manitowoc/visit

### UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus
uwgb.edu/marinette

**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>ACT composite</th>
<th>Undergraduate enrollment</th>
<th>Admit rate (%)</th>
<th>Receiving financial aid (%)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>204</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>51.3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**CAMPUS VISIT**
uwgb.edu/marinette/visit

### UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus
uwgb.edu/sheboygan

**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>ACT composite</th>
<th>Undergraduate enrollment</th>
<th>Admit rate (%)</th>
<th>Receiving financial aid (%)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>381</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>52.0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**CAMPUS VISIT**
uwgb.edu/sheboygan/visit
Embark on your path at UW-La Crosse—a successful future awaits! Embrace our challenging, dynamic, and diverse learning environments. Experience innovative academics with an entire community fully engaged in supporting student access. Nestled between the towering bluffs and mighty Mississippi River, enjoy La Crosse’s big-city amenities, small-town feel, and natural beauty unrivaled in the Midwest.

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**

February 1, 2021 — Priority Deadline

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT LA CROSSE**

Biology  
Psychology  
Exercise & Sport Science  
Elementary Education  
Finance

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**

608-785-8939  
admissions@uwlax.edu  
1725 State Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**

003919  
February 1, 2021
UW-La Crosse
uw lax.edu

**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class rank (%)</th>
<th>69–90</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>23–27</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Undergraduate enrollment</th>
<th>9,649</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Admit rate (%)</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receiving financial aid (%)</td>
<td>73.2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The University of Wisconsin–Madison is recognized as the 13th-best public university in the nation (U.S. News & World Report). Built on 936 acres and surrounded by lakes, UW–Madison is a research powerhouse with a community vibe, filled with Badgers who welcome challenges, seize opportunities, and defy expectations. Join our community of visionaries. Become a Badger!

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT MADISON**

- Economics
- Computer Sciences
- Biology
- Psychology
- Communication Arts

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINES**

- November 1, 2020 — Freshman Early Action Deadline
- February 1, 2021 — Freshman Regular Decision Deadline
- February 1, 2021 — Transfer Priority Decision Deadline
- March 1, 2021 — Transfer Regular Decision Deadline

*Deadlines are subject to change. Please visit admissions.wisc.edu/deadlines for up-to-date deadlines.

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**

608-262-3961
onwisc wisconsin@admissions.wisc.edu

702 W. Johnson St., Ste. 1101
Madison, WI 53715-1007

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**

- FAFSA CODE: 003895
- PREFERRED FILING DATE: December 1, 2020
### Admitted Student Profile for The Middle 50%

<p>| | |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>GPA</strong></td>
<td>3.8–4.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ACT composite</strong></td>
<td>27–32</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- Undergraduate enrollment: 33,165
- Admit rate (%): 60
- Receiving financial aid (%): 55.9

#### Campus Visit

wisc.edu/visit
The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is a major urban university, providing a life-changing education to 27,000 students. UWM’s 15 schools and colleges, along with two associate degree-granting campuses in Waukesha and Washington County, offer many undergrad research opportunities. Our rich array of academics and real-life learning allow UWM students to take on the world, even before graduation.

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT MILWAUKEE**
- Nursing
- Marketing
- Information Science & Technology
- Finance
- Education

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**
March 1, 2021 — Priority Date

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**

414-229-2222
undergraduateadmissions@uwm.edu

PO Box 749
Milwaukee, WI 53201

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**

003896
February 1, 2021
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>UW-Milwaukee</th>
<th>uwm.edu</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GPA</td>
<td>2.67–3.73</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>19–25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Undergraduate enrollment</td>
<td>19,362</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Admit rate (%)</td>
<td>88</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receiving financial aid (%)</td>
<td>76.8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>CAMPUS VISIT</strong></td>
<td>uwm.edu/visituwm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>UW-Milwaukee at Washington County</th>
<th>uwm.edu/washington</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GPA</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>18–24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Undergraduate enrollment</td>
<td>605</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Admit rate (%)</td>
<td>99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receiving financial aid (%)</td>
<td>52.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>CAMPUS VISIT</strong></td>
<td>uwm.edu/visituwm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha</th>
<th>uwm.edu/waukesha</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GPA</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>16–22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Undergraduate enrollment</td>
<td>1,542</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Admit rate (%)</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receiving financial aid (%)</td>
<td>42.7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>CAMPUS VISIT</strong></td>
<td>uwm.edu/visituwm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
At UW Oshkosh, your college experience will be anything but textbook. Your time here will shape and transform you—and it doesn’t just happen in the classroom! With research, faculty and classroom experiences at UW Oshkosh, you’ll collaborate, contribute and succeed all before you graduate. No matter what you aim to be and do, you can make it happen here. Three campuses, one university.

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**
No application deadline.

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT OSHKOSH**
- Nursing
- Elementary Education
- Psychology
- Human Services Leadership
- Biology

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**
920-424-3164
admissions@uwosh.edu
800 Algoma Boulevard
Oshkosh, WI 54901

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**
- 003920
- January 1, 2021
UW Oshkosh
uwosh.edu

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

GPA: 3.0–3.6
ACT composite: 19–24

Undergraduate enrollment: 12,688
Admit rate (%): 93
Receiving financial aid (%): 53.1

CAMPUS VISIT
uwosh.edu/go/visit

UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus
uwosh.edu/fox

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

GPA: open access
ACT composite: 18–23

Undergraduate enrollment: 1,134
Admit rate (%): 100
Receiving financial aid (%): 44.3

CAMPUS VISIT
uwosh.edu/fox/visit

UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus
uwosh.edu/fdl

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

GPA: open access
ACT composite: 17–22

Undergraduate enrollment: 444
Admit rate (%): 100
Receiving financial aid (%): 64.6

CAMPUS VISIT
uwosh.edu/fdl/visit
The University of Wisconsin-Parkside sits on 700 acres of quiet prairies and beautiful woodlands. In any of our 41 undergraduate majors and 11 graduate programs, students can expect small class sizes, individual attention from faculty, and the ability to put their learning into practice through research and internship opportunities.

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**
Contact campus

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT PARKSIDE**
Business Management
Psychology
Criminal Justice
Biological Sciences
Communication

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**
262-595-2355
admissions@uwp.edu
900 Wood Road
Kenosha, WI 53144

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**
005015
March 15, 2021
UW-Parkside
uwp.edu

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

| GPA             | 2.72–3.52 |
| ACT composite   | 17–23     |

Undergraduate enrollment 3,938
Admit rate (%) 89
Receiving financial aid (%) 79.1

CAMPUS VISIT
uwp.edu/apply/visitus
Since 1866, the University of Wisconsin-Platteville has earned a reputation as a regional leader. With over 40 majors to choose from and unique hands-on learning opportunities at our Platteville, Richland, and Baraboo Sauk County campuses, we’ll prepare you to succeed. Plus, we’ve consistently been ranked #1 in annual return on investment (ROI) in Wisconsin, meaning you get a high-quality education in a safe and friendly environment. Learn more at uwplatt.edu today!

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT PLATTEVILLE**
- Mechanical Engineering
- Industrial Technology Management
- Business Administration
- Criminal Justice
- Civil Engineering

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**
Contact campus

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**
608-342-1125
admit@uwplatt.edu

1 University Plaza
Platteville, WI 53818

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**
003921
February 1, 2021
Admitted Student Profile for the Middle 50%

**UW-Platteville**

- **GPA**: 3.14–3.80
- **ACT composite**: 21–26
- Undergraduate enrollment: 6,971
- Admit rate (%): 95
- Receiving financial aid (%): 74.5

**UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County**

- **GPA**: 2.50–3.39
- **ACT composite**: 17–23
- Undergraduate enrollment: 361
- Admit rate (%): 97
- Receiving financial aid (%): 60.1

**UW-Platteville Richland**

- **GPA**: 2.26–3.54
- **ACT composite**: 17–24
- Undergraduate enrollment: 159
- Admit rate (%): 99
- Receiving financial aid (%): 44.8

Campus Visit

uwplatt.edu/visit
UW-River Falls, located in western Wisconsin just 30 minutes from Minneapolis/St. Paul, offers the best of both worlds—the community and convenience of a small town AND the excitement of a major metro area. With more than 70 areas of study, there’s something at UW-River Falls for you.

UW-River Falls awards guaranteed scholarships for strong academic performance, which makes your exceptional education an even better value.

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**
Contact campus

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT RIVER FALLS**
Animal Science
Business Administration
Elementary Education
Biology
Psychology

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**
715-425-3500
admissions@uwrf.edu
410 South 3rd Street
River Falls, WI 54022

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**
003923
February 1, 2021
ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

- **GPA**: 3.07–3.76
- **ACT composite**: 20–25
- **Undergraduate enrollment**: 5,581
- **Admit rate (%)**: 92
- **Receiving financial aid (%)**: 79.7

CAMPUS VISIT
uwrf.edu/visit
The day you step foot on a UW-Stevens Point campus is the day your pursuit of something bigger begins. Campuses in Stevens Point, Marshfield and Wausau offer inspiring professors, dynamic programs and diverse opportunities to challenge you to dream bigger, reach higher and explore careers you may not have known existed. Discover the possibilities—and discover your purpose at UW-Stevens Point.

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT STEVENS POINT**

- Business Administration
- Biology
- Resource Management
- Communication
- Psychology

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**

All three UW-Stevens Point campus locations offer rolling admissions.

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**

- FAFSA Code: 003924
- Preferred Filing Date: March 15, 2021

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**

- Phone: 715-346-2441
- Email: admiss@uwsp.edu
- Address: 1108 Fremont Street, Room 102, Stevens Point, WI 54481-3897
UW-Stevens Point
uwsp.edu

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>3.05–3.77</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>19–25</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Undergraduate enrollment 6,812
Admit rate (%) 94
Receiving financial aid (%) 81.8

CAMPUS VISIT
uwsp.edu/visit

UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield
uwsp.edu/marshfield

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>open access</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>17–23</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Undergraduate enrollment 431
Admit rate (%) 99
Receiving financial aid (%) 39.1

CAMPUS VISIT
uwsp.edu/visit

UW-Stevens Point at Wausau
uwsp.edu/wausau

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>open access</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>17–24</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Undergraduate enrollment 587
Admit rate (%) 100
Receiving financial aid (%) 54.0

CAMPUS VISIT
uwsp.edu/visit
Students who graduate from UW-Stout, Wisconsin’s Polytechnic University, earn more than a diploma: they start exciting careers with experience on their resumes. The university’s majors offer experiences that stretch students’ minds and equip them with problem-solving and critical thinking skills valued by employers. Students often spend more time in labs than in traditional classrooms.

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT STOUT**

- Business Administration
- Management
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management
- Engineering Technology

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**

Contact campus

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**

715-232-1232
admissions@uwstout.edu

212 Sorensen Hall
Menomonie, WI 54751

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**

003915
March 15, 2021
**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>3.17–3.69</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>19–25</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Undergraduate enrollment: 7,289
Admit rate (%): 97
Receiving financial aid (%): 75.3

**CAMPUS VISIT**
uwstout.edu/admissions-aid/plan-visit
The University of Wisconsin-Superior is a nationally recognized public liberal arts institution of more than 2,600 students in the Superior-Duluth, Minn., metropolitan area. UW-Superior has more than 50 program offerings, select online and graduate programs, competitive Division III athletics programs, continuing education, research and scholarship programs that support the community and region.

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT SUPERIOR**
- Business Administration
- Elementary Education
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Physical Education
- Biology

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**
715-394-8230
admissions@uwsuper.edu
PO Box 2000
Superior, WI 54880

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**
003925
January 15, 2021
UW-Superior
uwsuper.edu

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%

GPA 2.72–3.58

ACT composite 18–23

Undergraduate enrollment 2,257

Admit rate (%) 99

Receiving financial aid (%) 82.6

CAMPUS VISIT
uwsuper.edu/visit
The Warhawk family, led by caring faculty and staff on both our Whitewater and Rock County campuses, is devoted to student success within a broad range of academic programs. Whether you plan to study on campus or through our highly ranked online programs, we’ll help you find your college fit. Visit UW-Whitewater to experience one of the safest campuses and the best value in the UW System.

**ADMISSIONS DEADLINE**
August 1, 2020–May 1, 2021 — Rolling admission

**TOP FIVE GRADUATING MAJORS AT WHITewater**
Marketing
Finance
General Business
Social Work
Communication

**ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFORMATION**
262-472-1440
uwwadmit@uw.edu
800 West Main Street
Whitewater, WI 53190

**FAFSA CODE AND PREFERRED FILING DATE**
003926
January 1, 2021
**UW-Whitewater**

uww.edu

**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>3.0–3.6</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>19–24</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Undergraduate enrollment 10,158

Admit rate (%) 90

Receiving financial aid (%) 73.2

**CAMPUS VISIT**

uww.edu/tour

---

**UW-Whitewater at Rock County**

uww.edu/rock

**ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE FOR THE MIDDLE 50%**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GPA</th>
<th>open access</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACT composite</td>
<td>16–22</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Undergraduate enrollment 862

Admit rate (%) 100

Receiving financial aid (%) 63.4

**CAMPUS VISIT**

uww.edu/rock/visit-us
Visit your UWs

Visit a UW campus to help you decide if it’s right for you. And they would love to show you around. Another option—take a virtual tour of the UW campuses. Can you picture yourself there?

You can find the contact information for each campus in the preceding pages. When you visit, ask them a bunch of questions, meet the students and faculty, and take good notes.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>WHERE I WANT TO VISIT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Campus</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>______</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>______</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>______</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>______</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>______</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>______</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Admission guidelines

These are average numbers for each campus. They represent the middle 50% of students, meaning 25% of admitted students place below these scores/rank, and 25% place above these scores/rank.

UW-Madison does require an ACT or SAT score to be sent directly from the testing agency. ACT or SAT score is not required at all other UW System campuses for the 2020-2021 academic year and the 2021-2022 academic year.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>University</th>
<th>ACT Composite</th>
<th>GPA</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>UW-EAU CLAIRE</td>
<td>21–26</td>
<td>3.22–3.80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Eau Claire - Barron County</td>
<td>17–23</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-GREEN BAY</td>
<td>19–24</td>
<td>contact campus</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus</td>
<td>18–23</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus</td>
<td>16–23</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus</td>
<td>17–23</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-LA CROSSE</td>
<td>23–27</td>
<td>69th–90th*</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-MADISON</td>
<td>27–32</td>
<td>3.8–4.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-MILWAUKEE</td>
<td>19–25</td>
<td>2.67–3.73</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Milwaukee at Washington County</td>
<td>18–24</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha</td>
<td>16–22</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW OSHKOSH</td>
<td>19–24</td>
<td>3.0–3.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus</td>
<td>17–22</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus</td>
<td>18–23</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-PARKSIDE</td>
<td>17–23</td>
<td>2.72–3.52</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-PLATTEVILLE</td>
<td>21–26</td>
<td>3.14–3.80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County</td>
<td>17–23</td>
<td>2.50–3.39</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Platteville Richland</td>
<td>17–24</td>
<td>2.26–3.54</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-RIVER FALLS</td>
<td>20–25</td>
<td>3.07–3.76</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-STEVENS POINT</td>
<td>19–25</td>
<td>3.05–3.71</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield</td>
<td>17–23</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Stevens Point at Wausau</td>
<td>17–24</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-STOUT</td>
<td>19–25</td>
<td>3.17–3.69</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-SUPERIOR</td>
<td>18–23</td>
<td>2.72–3.58</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-WHITEWATER</td>
<td>19–24</td>
<td>3.0–3.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Whitewater at Rock County</td>
<td>16–22</td>
<td>open access</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*UW-La Crosse provides class rank instead of GPA.
Write your essay

Here’s the deal. Yes, the essay is important, but each campus simply wants to find a reason to believe in you.

They’re not using the essay to weed you out—they’re looking for reasons to invite you in. It may seem like a subtle difference, but we hope this changes the way you think about writing the essay.

Write about the whole you. Your successes, your failures, and the lessons you learned. Convince the world why college is important to you.

All campuses ask the following question:

This part is all about you. Tell us about something you’ve done—academically or personally—and what you’ve learned from it. Was it a success or a challenge? Did it represent a turning point in your life? How did this particular moment in your life influence you, and how will it continue to influence you as you pursue your college education?

La Crosse and Madison ask a little more:

**UW–La Crosse**
Please respond to the following: How will your life experiences, commitments, and/or characteristics enrich the University of Wisconsin–La Crosse campus community? Tell us why you are interested in attending UW–La Crosse and what aspects of the campus are especially important to you?

**UW–Madison**
Tell us why you would like to attend the University of Wisconsin–Madison. In addition, please include why you are interested in studying the major(s) you have selected. If you selected undecided, please describe your areas of possible academic interest.
Basic tips for writing the best possible essay:

• Write your essay in a program like Word or Google Docs so you can simply copy and paste it into your online application.

• Keep your essay between 250 and 650 words. (UW–Madison requires all essays to strictly follow these guidelines.)

• Clear, concise writing matters more than length.

• Imagine responding to questions during an in-person interview.

• Use your own voice, tell your story, and be short and sweet.

• This is your chance to explain any life events that might have impacted your academic performance.

• Proofread. Proofread. Proofread.

• Ask a friend and/or teacher to read your essay and help point out inconsistencies, grammar mistakes, etc.

• Proofread again.

QUESTIONS TO GET YOU THINKING

List 2 academic achievements

________________________________________

________________________________________

List 2 personal achievements

________________________________________

________________________________________

Your 3 biggest strengths

________________________________________

________________________________________

Your top 3 biggest challenges

________________________________________

________________________________________
Choose your UWs

Still having trouble deciding? This chart might help.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Does it support my major or areas of interest?</th>
<th>Can I do my best work in the class size?</th>
<th>Is the campus size right for me?</th>
<th>Does the campus have good activities and clubs?</th>
<th>Can I meet the academic requirements?</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>UW-EAU CLAIRE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Eau Claire - Barron County</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-GREEN BAY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-LA CROSSE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-MADISON</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-MILWAUKEE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Milwaukee at Washington County</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW OSHKOSH</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-PARKSIDE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-PLATTEVILLE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Platteville Richland</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-RIVER FALLS</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-STEVENS POINT</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Stevens Point at Wausau</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-STOUT</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-SUPERIOR</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-WHITEWATER</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UW-Whitewater at Rock County</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Score each campus on a scale of 1 to 5 (1—does not fit me, 5—totally fits me). Then add up the total for each campus to see which might be a good fit.
When you’ve narrowed down your UWs, you can write them here.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Can I make it work financially?</th>
<th>Do I like the community?</th>
<th>Am I personally drawn to this campus?</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**My Stretch School**  
Sure, it might be hard to get into, but it would be amazing.

**My Sweet Spot School**  
I can totally see myself here.

**My Safe Bet School**  
It has what I need and can launch me to my next step.
Your Summer Checklist

Now that you’ve done the hard part and chosen your UWs, all you need to do is write your essay and gather up some info. It’s like a summer treasure hunt!

Use this checklist to gather up all the things you’ll need to have on hand when you fill out your application on August 1.

- **BASICS**
  - Social Security number
  - City, state, and country of birth
  - Country of citizenship

- **RESIDENCY FOR TUITION PURPOSES**
  - Ask your parent or guardian the following questions:
    - Have they filed Wisconsin income tax returns within the past two years?
    - Do they work in a state besides Wisconsin?
    - Was Wisconsin the last place they registered to vote or voted?
    - Do they hold a valid Wisconsin driver’s license?

- **TRANSCRIPT/COURSE LIST**
  - A PDF copy of your unofficial high school transcript
  - Your senior schedule—either:
    - A PDF copy your senior year schedule, or unofficial transcript with senior year courses, or
    - A list of your courses for senior year, with credits per course, so you can manually enter them in your application.
• **COLLEGE COURSES IN HIGH SCHOOL**
  - A PDF copy of your unofficial college transcript
  - A PDF copy of your college course schedule, or a list of your college courses with credits per course to manually enter.

• **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**
  - List of academic activities, sporting activities, etc.
  - Grades during which you participated
  - Level of participation in each activity
  - Leadership roles in each activity
  - Whether you intend to continue in these activities in college

• **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**
  - Employer name(s)
  - For each employer
    - City and state
    - Job title
    - Whether you are currently employed
    - Start date and average number of hours worked per week

• **PREFERRED MAJOR (OPTIONAL)**

• **COMPLETED ESSAY**

• **PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (OPTIONAL, BUT HELPFUL)**
  - Do your parents/guardians have college degrees?
  - Have your parents/guardians served in the military?
  - Parent/guardian email
All done?
Guess what?
You’re ready.

On August 1, grab this book and go to: apply.wisconsin.edu.

You’ll pay a $25 nonrefundable application fee for each campus ($60 for UW–Madison) either online with a credit card or by mailing a check to the admissions office to which you’re applying. Can’t afford it? A fee waiver may be available—see online for details.

August 1
Fall 2021 application now open!

The earlier you apply, the earlier you will receive an admission decision.
Remember, the application is just the beginning of your journey.

But now you can start working on the good stuff. Investigate ways to make college affordable, complete any special requirements for your college of choice and start researching classes, clubs, and places to live.
Dot your I's, Cross your T's

Submit the following documentation to each UW campus on your list:

• Your official high school transcript. GED or HSED students should submit a copy of their diplomas and test scores.

• Your official college transcripts (if you took college credits in high school).

• Your ACT or SAT scores. UW-Madison is the only campus that will be requiring official scores submitted directly from the testing agency. All other campuses in the UW System will not require an ACT or SAT score to be sent for the 2020–2021 and 2021–2022 academic year.

• A single letter of recommendation from an academic source (someone who knows you and can prove why you’re a good fit, like a teacher, school counselor or faculty member). The letter is only required for UW-Madison, but submitting a letter to all your other campuses never hurts!

Contact the campus admissions office directly if you have any questions. They can also let you know your application status and additional steps.

Find your campus contacts: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/campus-contacts

This timetable reflects approximately how long it will take a campus to review your application once all materials are received: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/application-review-timeline
Completing your application on August 1 can give you a big leg up. While everyone else is worrying about their application and essay, you can focus on making the absolute most of your senior year.
Make sure you have all your required courses for admission

All UW campuses require a minimum of 17 college preparatory credits from high school. You can review the specific guidelines for each campus under the Requirements tab at:

uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/admission-guidelines/freshman

Earn college credit in high school

Save time and money (and keep yourself challenged senior year) by taking Advanced Placement (AP) classes, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, or enrolling in college courses through Wisconsin’s Early College Credit Program (ECCP). You can earn credits that transfer directly to all UW campuses.

Find out more about high school college credit opportunities at:

uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/prep-for-college/credits
AFFORD YOUR DREAMS

College is a huge investment. But there are quite a few ways to make it more affordable.

GRANTS
Grants are awarded based on financial need and do not require you to repay.

SCHOLARSHIPS
Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, academic merit, or other specific criteria. You do not have to repay. You can find scholarships in your local community, at your campus, or through private organizations. Start your search with your high school counselor.

LOANS
Loans are money you borrow. They must be repaid in full and typically include interest payments. Government loans typically have lower interest rates than private loans.

WORK-STUDY
You can often find student employment through work-study or other on-campus programs.

Check out your campus financial aid office or for more information, visit us at: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/financialaid
UW SYSTEM TUITION AND FEES
Tuition—as well as fees like health services, student activities, organizations, and textbook rentals—varies among the UW campuses. Get all the details and compare costs at: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/uw-system-tuition-chart

NON-RESIDENT TUITION AGREEMENTS
Wisconsin and Minnesota have a tuition reciprocity agreement. This means residents of one state can attend a public college in the other state for the same tuition as an in-state resident. Some UW campuses also participate in other non-resident tuition-reduction programs. Learn more at: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/nonresident-tuition

RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)
ROTC programs offer more than military training and experience. Participants in Army, Air Force, or Navy-Marine ROTC programs may be eligible for scholarships and monthly stipends. Learn more at: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/rotc

HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID
If you’re interested in receiving financial aid, start by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at: fafsa.gov

You can find the unique FAFSA code and preferred filing date for each campus in the attached Summer Workbook. The FAFSA application will open October 1st.

What should I budget for?
- Tuition and fees
- On-campus housing
- Textbooks and supplies
- Travel and parking
- Food
- Clothing, recreation, and personal items
- Living costs

UW HELP’s Budget Builder can help you calculate your budget: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/budget-builder
There’s an app for that!
Our UW Journey app lets you explore and discover which UWs are the right UWs for you.

uwjourney.wisconsin.edu
Free to download, free to use.