



FALL 2020 COUNSELOR UPDATE



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ADMISSION CRITERIA MADE MORE FLEXIBLE

Admission to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point is competitive. Admission decisions are based on a comprehensive review of both academic and nonacademic factors.

Academic Factors: Class rank percentile, ACT or SAT, high school grades, rigor of high school courses, trend in grades in academic courses over time.

Nonacademic Factors: Leadership, involvement, volunteerism, personal characteristics, accomplishments, diversity in background and experience, and life circumstances.

UW-Stevens Point is accepting self-reported/unofficial high school transcripts for admission as an alternative. In addition, UW-Stevens Point campuses are test-optional; scores are not required for admission purposes. ACT or SAT scores may be required for some scholarships.

PROFILE OF ADMITTED NEW FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Average ACT	22
Average GPA	3.3
Average class rank percentile	60%
ACT of middle 50% of first-year students	20-24

VISIT US ON CAMPUS OR IN PERSON

UW-Stevens Point is planning to offer a mix of visit opportunities for prospective students and their guests. This will include small personalized in-person visits, Viewpoint Days, and Admitted Student Days. We will also continue to offer online virtual visits to ensure students can explore our campus from the comfort of their home. See our visit website for more details.

PRESIDENTIAL PURPLE AND GOLD SCHOLARSHIPS

Presidential scholarships are renewed automatically (no separate application required) to incoming first-year students who are attending the Stevens Point campus. Student must meet the following eligibility requirements:

PRESIDENTIAL GOLD (\$2,000 total;
\$500 for four consecutive semesters)

- 22+ ACT and top 25% or 3.75+ GP
- 23+ ACT and top 30% or 3.60+ GPA
- 24+ ACT and top 35% or 3.40+ GPA
- 25+ ACT and top 40% or 3.20+ GPA
- 26+ ACT and top 45% or 3.00+ GPA

PRESIDENTIAL PURPLE (\$4,000 total; \$1,000 for four consecutive semesters)

- 27+ ACT and top 25% or 3.5+ GPA

Policy:

- Must maintain a UW-Stevens Point minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater for each semester in attendance for a maximum of four consecutive semesters.
- Must be continuously enrolled in a minimum of 6 credits at the time of disbursal

Attention National Merit finalists! Call the director of recruitment, 715-346-2441, to discuss special awards for students in this elite category.

FIRST-YEAR STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Students who are admitted to UW-Stevens Point can also apply for scholarships through the UWSP Foundation. The scholarship application can be found on the admissions website at www.uwsp.edu/affordable. Priority consideration for scholarship is given to students who apply by November 15. Many academic departments also award scholarships.

DEGREES AT THE BRANCH CAMPUSES

UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield and Wausau now offer professional associate degrees that are tailored for specific career fields and transition directly into bachelor's degrees. There are professional associate degrees in:

- Applied Finance
- Environmental Science and Management
- Health Sciences
- Human Services
- Information Science
- Leadership and Project Management

Both campuses also offer bachelor's degrees in business administration and social work. Students can also pursue a master's degree in business administration in applied leadership and decision-making.

Our Destination Wisconsin Scholarship is guaranteed to any student with a 2.75+ GPA or 19+ ACT/980+ SAT who is not a resident of Wisconsin or Minnesota. Students will automatically be awarded this scholarship.

• Midwest Student Exchange Program Students*: \$1,000/year, renewable for 4 years

* Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and Ohio residents

• All other Out-of-State Students: \$4,000/year, renewable for 4 years

TUITION AND FEES

UW-Stevens Point tuition is one of the lowest in the state of Wisconsin and the Midwest. In addition, students can take advantage of our Text Rental program to save hundreds of dollars each semester on books.

UNDERGRADUATE COSTS FOR 2020-2021 (FIGURES ARE ESTIMATES)

	Tuition and fees per semester	Total yearly cost w/ room and board
Wisconsin Resident	\$4,150	\$15,931
Minnesota Resident	\$4,568	\$16,766
MSEP* Nonresident	\$5,725	\$19,080
Nonresident	\$8,502	\$24,634
Double Room	\$2,250	
Board	\$1,565	

* Participating Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP) states are: Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and Ohio. UW-Stevens Point students receive more than \$39 million per year in financial assistance.

JOIN A CAMPUS TOUR

Campus tours are offered Monday through Friday and select Saturdays listed below by registering [online](#).

VIEWPOINT DAYS

- October 3, 2020
- November 7, 2020
- March 13, 2021
- April 24, 2021

ADMITTED STUDENT DAYS

- February 15, 2021
- February 27, 2021
- March 5, 2021

SATURDAY VISITS

- September 12, 2020
- October 10, 2020
- November 14, 2020
- December 5, 2020
- February 20, 2021
- March 6, 2021
- April 3, 2021
- May 1, 2021

MARSHFIELD VISITS

- October 7, 2020
- November 9, 2020
- February 15, 2021
- April 5, 2021

WAUSAU VISITS

- October 23, 2020
- November 11, 2020
- March 5, 2021
- April 21, 2021

NEWS AND UPDATES AT UW-STEVENS POINT

- UW-Stevens Point is taking significant health and safety precautions into account as students return to campus. A UWSP COVID-19 hotline has been established, as well as the [coronavirus website](#). Students will complete online symptom screening each day before coming to campus buildings.
- UW-Stevens Point will be opening the doors to a brand-new Visitor Center at the end of this fall. The Visitor Center was made possible by donors, alumni and the UWSP Foundation. It will be the hub of welcoming visitors to campus and hosting individual and small group visits.
- The Education program at UW-Stevens Point has ranked No. 2 in the nation, according to Study.com two years in a row. The ranking widely acknowledges advising, student engagement opportunities and program offerings.
- The School of Education has established the [Harju Center for Equity in Education](#) and scholarship program for incoming students majoring in elementary education. This was made possible by the largest individual gift in UW-Stevens Point's history.
- UWSP will launch a new [Doctor of Physical Therapy \(DPT\) program](#) and enroll students as soon as the summer of 2022. The program will have an emphasis on regional need and be among the most competitive and affordable graduate programs in Wisconsin.
- The city of Stevens Point was recognized by Wallet Hub's Best College Towns and Cities in America ranking fifth out of 415 cities across the nations.
- UW-Stevens Point is the only university in the state to have all of its fine arts programs (art, dance, music and theatre) nationally accredited.
- U.S. News & World Report ranks UW-Stevens Point in the Top 15 public regional universities in the Midwest.
- UW-Stevens Point has the highest percentage (79%) of undergraduate courses taught by regular faculty compared to other institutions in the UW System.
- UW-Stevens Point is the first university in Wisconsin to have 100 percent of electricity come from renewable sources.
- Units in three of the four curricular colleges were reorganized to create seven new academic schools. Each is an umbrella for several programs and majors.
 - [School of Health Sciences and Wellness](#)
 - [School of Design and Communication](#)
 - [School of Performing Arts](#)
 - [School of Behavioral and Social Sciences](#)
 - [School of Biology, Chemistry and Biochemistry](#)
 - [School of Humanities and Global Studies](#)
 - [School of Mathematics, Computing, Physics and Astronomy](#)
- UW-Stevens Point continues to have one of the nation's leading College of Natural Resources programs including a new Conservation Law Enforcement major.