

# SPEAKING

# UW

Sometimes, college can seem strange or unknown just because the words are new. Here are some terms you'll likely run into once you start thinking about college.

## Advanced placement (AP)

College-level classes and exams you can take during high school. You earn college credits from these classes (if you pass the exams).

## Associate degree

A degree you earn at graduation from a two-year UW campus or after two years of study.

## Bachelor's degree

A degree you earn at graduation from a four-year UW university, typically after completing four years of study.

## Budget

A plan that matches the money you have to spend with the things you need to pay for.

## Campus

Where you will go to school, including all the buildings, teachers, classes, and activities. There are 26 different campuses in the UW System.

## Credit

The "value" of each class that counts toward graduation. You need 60 credits to earn an associate degree or 120 credits to earn a bachelor's degree.

## Debt

Money you will need to pay back. For example, money you borrow from a bank to pay for college.

## Degree

What you earn when you complete your college requirements. At 2-year UWs, you earn an associate degree. At 4-year UWs, you earn a bachelor's degree.

## Dual Credit

Classes which let you earn both high school and college credits.

## Expenses

Things you need to pay for. In college, this can include everything from tuition and housing to cell phone and food.

## Financial aid

Money to help pay for college. This can include grants, work study, and loans.

## Grant

Money for college that does not have to be repaid. Grants are often awarded by the government.

## Higher education

Another word for education after high school, like "college" or "postsecondary education."

## Loans

Money you borrow to pay for college. Loans must be paid back.

## Major

The primary focus of your studies in college. You will graduate with a degree in the major you choose (and usually, after graduation, students will work in the field they major in).

## Minor

A minor is a second focus of your studies in college. You are not required to take as many classes in the subject as you do with a major but receive recognition for your studies.

## Postsecondary

Another word for education after high school, like "college" or "higher education."

## Scholarships

Money you are awarded for college that does not have to be repaid. Scholarships are often based on merit, like your achievements, abilities, or background.

## Tuition

Money you pay your UW to attend classes. Tuition is one of several expenses (like housing, books, or cell phone) you will need to include in your budget for college.

## Undergraduate

A student working toward a bachelor's or associate degree. Typically, this is the first four years of a college education.

## Work Study

A program that provides students with a part-time job to earn money to help pay for college. Work-study jobs are a form of financial aid.



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