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TIME!

YOUR GUIDEBOOK TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM





COLLEGE IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER

We know it feels like a lifetime away, but graduation is coming quicker than you think. It's time to start exploring. What's next?



You got this

This is all about you. Who do you want to be? Where do you want to go? Big questions, for sure, but guess what? You get to decide. This is your life, your future. Let's get started.

We got you

We're here to help. It's literally our name. At UW HELP, we make it easy for you to find, choose, and apply to the University of Wisconsin campuses that are right for you.

This workbook is a step-by-step guide to get you prepared for college: explore your interests, find which UW campuses are the best fit, make yourself a great college candidate, and start putting the pieces in place to make college more affordable.

uwhelp.wisconsin.edu



Ready to do the work to start making your dreams real? Let's do this!



FIND YOUR FUTURE YOU

Want a life that inspires you? First, you have to take the time to find what inspires you.

What do you like to do? What sets you apart?

Imagine a life built from your skills, your interests, and your passions. These are your building blocks. And you get to have answers that are different from anybody else. What will make you feel happy, challenged, and successful? Let's figure out how to build a life around that.

Which subjects am I naturally good at?

Which activities do I like to do outside of school?

What things do I enjoy?

What do I need to feel successful?

Which subjects or people inspire me?



Just a first step

Do all these big questions feel like too much, too soon? Don't worry. Nothing you do today is set in stone. This is just a first step in a lifelong journey: a jumping-off point. You can expect to find all kinds of new passions, interests, and talents your whole life. In fact, you may someday fall head over heels for some fascinating thing you don't even know exists yet.

But you can't find your path until you start exploring.



YOUR DREAM JOB



4 • DISCOVER YOUR INTERESTS

There are millions of jobs in the world. Which ones have caught your attention, so far? Why have they been interesting to you?



My best-bet careers: These are the jobs that even my friends and family think I'd be naturally good at.

My dream careers : These dreams are so wild, I haven't even told my best friends.

My inspirational careers: I am simply awed by people who can do these jobs.

YOUR PERSONAL CAREER FAIR

OK, now that you've given some thought to what inspires you, let's see how you might build a life from these interests.

Start by exploring these **career clusters**. Which match your interests? Which have jobs that inspire you?



Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources →

I focus on the foods and materials humans use to thrive.

Example jobs: Agricultural Engineer, Environmental Engineer, Food Scientist, Forester, Zoologist



Architecture and Construction →

I focus on the built environment.

Example jobs: Architect, Civil Engineer, Construction Manager, Interior Designer, Surveyor



Arts, A/V Tech, and Communications →

I focus on the act of creation.

Example jobs: Audio and Video Technician, Graphic Designer, Musician or Singer, Photographer, Technical Writer



Business Management and Administration →

I focus on the world of business.

Example jobs: Accountant, Compensation and Benefits Specialist, Event Planner, Human Resources Manager, Supply Chain Manager



Education and Training →

I focus on the world of learning.

Example jobs: Elementary Education Teacher, High School Teacher, Special Education Teacher, Librarian, Preschool Teacher



Finance →

I focus on the world of finance: planning and servicing financial investments, banking, insurance, and financial management for individuals and business.

Example jobs: Auditor, Budget Analyst, Financial Analyst, Personal Finance Advisor, Tax Professional



Government and Public Administration →

I focus on the public sector.

Example jobs: Compliance Officer, Legislator, Occupational Health and Safety Specialist, Policy Advisor, Urban Planner



Health Science →

I focus on human and animal health.

Example jobs: Athletic Trainer, Nutritionist, Nurse, Medical Laboratory Technician, Pharmacist



Hospitality and Tourism →

I focus on the business of travel and leisure.

Example jobs: Amusement Park Manager, Hotel Manager, Lodging Manager, Recreation Worker, Travel Agent



Human Services →

I focus on helping individuals and families meet their personal needs.

Example jobs: Childcare Worker, Fitness Trainer, Mental Health Counselor, School Psychologist, Social Worker



Information Technology (IT) →

I focus on computers and technology.

Example jobs: Information Security Analyst, Network Support Specialist, Software Developer, Video Game Designer, Web Developer



Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security →

I focus on the world of the law.

Example jobs: Criminal Investigator, Emergency Medical Technician, Firefighter, Lawyer, Police Officer



Liberal Arts →

I focus on human culture and experience.

Example jobs: Editor, Historian, Interpreter, Linguistics Teacher, Translator



Manufacturing →

I focus on turning materials into products.

Example jobs: Drafter, Electrical Engineering Technologist, Geothermal Technician, Mechanical Engineering Technologist, Power Plant Operator



Marketing, Sales, and Service →

I focus on reaching and engaging with consumers.

Example jobs: Advertising Manager, Market Research Analyst, Public Relations Specialist, Retail Buyer, Sales Manager



Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math →

I focus on the world of science and technology.

Example jobs: Biochemist, Chemical Engineer, Environmental Planner, Nuclear Engineer, Data Analyst



Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics →

I focus on moving people, materials, and goods by road, pipeline, air, rail, and water.

Example jobs: Dispatcher, Industrial Truck Operator, Logistician, Recycling Coordinator, Traffic Technician

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Majors

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AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND NATURAL RESOURCES	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Agricultural Business													
Agricultural Business Management													
Agricultural Engineering													
Agricultural Studies													
Agronomy													
Animal Science													
Community Sustainability													
Conservation													
Conservation & Environmental Science													
Conservation Law Enforcement													
Crop and Soil Science													
Dairy Science													
Environmental Engineering Technology													
Environmental Horticulture													
Environmental Policy & Planning													
Environmental Science													
Environmental Studies													
Fisheries & Water Resources													
Food Science/Technology													
Forest Science													
Forestry													
Freshwater Sciences													
Horticulture													
International Food Operations Management													
Reclamation, Environment & Conservation													
Resource Management													
Soil and Crop Science													
Soil and Waste Resources													
Sustainable Management-Collaborative													
Wildlife Ecology & Management													

ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Architectural Studies													
Construction/Construction Management													
Interior Architecture													
Interior Design													
Landscape & Urban Studies													
Landscape Architecture													

ARTS, A/V TECH, AND COMMUNICATIONS	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Advertising													
Animation													
Animation and Digital Media													
Art/Fine Arts													
Art History													
Arts Administration & Entrepreneurship													
Arts Management													
Communication Studies													
Dance													
Design & Visual Communication													
Design Arts													
Digital Arts & Culture													
Film Studies													
Game Design and Development-Art													
Graphic Design													
Graphic Design & Interactive Media													
Industrial Design													
Integrated Strategic Communication													
Journalism													
Journalism, Advertising & Media Studies													
Life Sciences Communication													
Media Arts & Game Development													
Media Studies													
Multimedia Journalism													
Music													
Music Performance													
Prof. Communication/Emerging Media													
Public Relations													
Radio - TV Film													
Stage & Screen Arts													
Studio Art													
Theatre/Drama													
Video Production													
Visual Arts													



Some two-year campuses offer a select number of bachelor's degree programs.



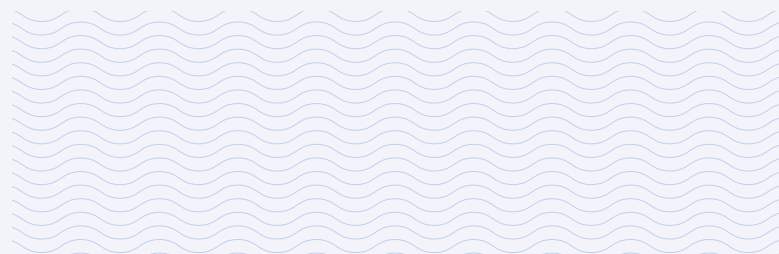
Majors

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Actuarial Science													
Business Administration/Management													
Business Communication													
Entrepreneurship													
General Business													
General Management													
Golf Enterprise Management													
Human Resource Management													
Information Systems													
Information Technology/Management													
Integrated Science-Business													
International Business													
Leadership & Organizational Development													
Management Information Systems													
Supply Chain & Operations Management													

EDUCATION AND TRAINING (CONTINUED)	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Health Promotion/Wellness													
History & Social Studies Education/Teaching													
Humanities													
Jewish Studies													
Liberal Studies													
Mathematics Education													
Marketing and Business Education													
Music Education													
Natural Science													
Natural Science for Science Teaching Cert.													
Organizational Leadership													
Philosophy													
Physical Education													
Religious Studies													
Professional Studies													
Science Teaching													
Secondary Education													
Social Science													
Social Studies													
Spanish Education													
Special Education													
Sport Management													
Technology Engineering/Education													
Undeclared Major- Arts Soc Sci & Humanities													
Undeclared Major-Education													
Undeclared Major-Science & Health													

EDUCATION AND TRAINING	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Agricultural Education													
Applied Arts & Sciences													
Art Education													
Business Education													
Career, Technical Education & Training													
Community & Nonprofit Leadership													
Community Engagement & Education													
Community Health Education													
Early Child Care & Education													
Early Childhood Education													
Education													
Elementary Education													
English													
English as a Second Language													
English Education													
Exceptional Education													
Exercise Science													
Family & Consumer Sciences													
French Education													
German Education													
Health & Human Performance													

FINANCE	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Accounting													
Business: Finance, Investment & Banking													
Business: Risk Management & Insurance													
Finance													
Personal Finance													



Majors

LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS, AND SECURITY	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Criminal Justice	█				█	█	█	█					
Fire & Emergency Response Management						█							
Forensic Investigation								█					
Legal Studies				█								█	█
Military and Security Studies						█							

LIBERAL ARTS	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
African Cultural & African Diaspora Studies				█	█								
Afro-American Studies				█									
American Indian/First Nations Studies	█	█											
Asian Languages & Cultures				█	█								
Chinese				█	█								
Classical Humanities		█		█	█								
Classics				█	█								
Comparative Literature				█	█								
Foreign Language								█					
French	█	█	█	█	█	█							█
German	█	█		█	█	█				█			█
Individual Major		█		█	█	█					█	█	
Italian				█	█								
Japanese				█	█								
Japanese Studies-Collaborative				█	█		█						█
Latin				█	█								
Latin Amer., Caribbean, Iberian & Latinx Studies	█			█	█								
Linguistics				█	█								
Modern Languages				█	█				█				
Polish				█	█								
Portuguese				█	█								
Race, Gender, & Sexuality Studies			█	█	█								
Russian				█	█								
Scandinavian Studies				█	█								
Spanish	█	█	█	█	█	█				█			█
Spanish & Latin American Studies	█	█	█	█	█	█							
Women's & Gender Studies	█	█	█	█	█								█
Writing		█										█	█

MANUFACTURING	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Applied Science									█		█		
Fashion & Retail													
Industrial Technology Management								█					
Electrical Engineering Technology						█							
Mechanical Engineering Technology		█				█							
Textiles & Fashion Design				█									

MARKETING, SALES AND SERVICE	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Business: Real Estate & Urban Land Econ				█									
Consumer Behavior & Marketplace Studies				█									
Marketing/Integrated Marketing	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
Marketing Communications									█	█			
Professional Sales								█					
Real Estate Property Management												█	

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Agricultural & Applied Economics				█									
Agricultural Engineering									█				
Anthropology		█		█	█	█							
Applied Biochemistry/Molecular Biology											█		
Applied Math, Engineering & Physics				█	█								
Applied Mathematics and Computer Science				█	█								
Applied Social Science											█		
Archeological Studies				█									
Astronomy-Physics				█									
Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences					█								
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology	█			█	█						█		
Bioinformatics	█												
Biological Sciences					█		█						
Biomedical Systems Engineering				█	█								
Biology	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
Biomedical & Health Science									█				
Biomedical Engineering	█			█	█								
Botany				█	█								
Broad Field Science								█					

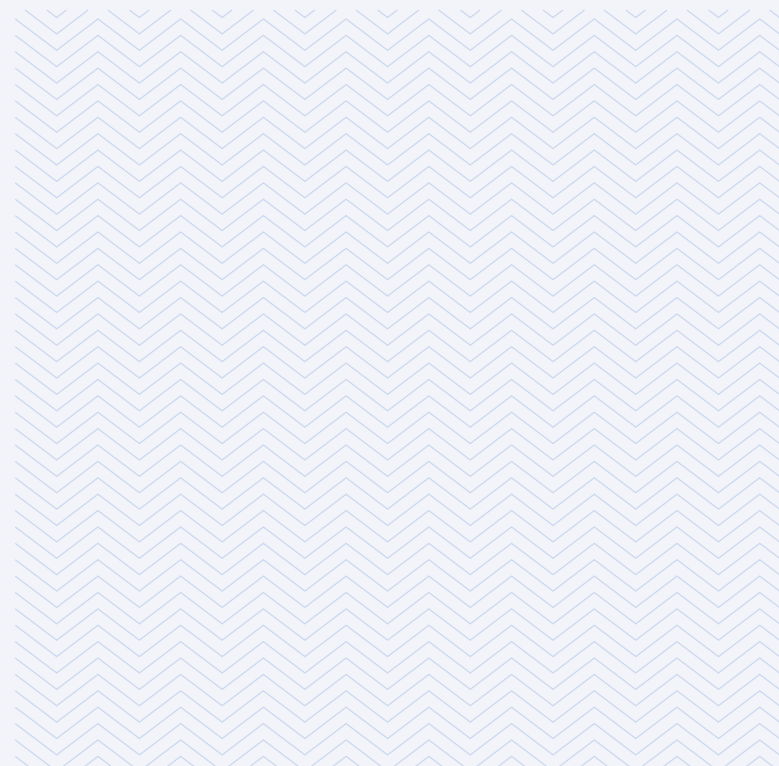
Majors

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SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH (CONTINUED)	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Business Analytics													
Business Economics													
Cartography and Geographic Info Systems													
Chemical Engineering													
Chemistry													
Civil Engineering													
Committee-Interdisciplinary													
Computer Engineering													
Computer & Electrical Engineering													
Conservation Biology													
Criminal Justice & Rehabilitation													
Criminology													
Data Science/Analytics													
Democracy and Justice Studies													
Earth Science													
Economics													
Electrical Engineering													
Engineering Mechanics													
Engineering Physics													
Engineering Technology													
Entomology													
Environmental Engineering													
Genetics & Genomics													
Geography													
Geological Engineering													
Geology/Geophysics/Geosciences													
Geospatial Sci /Geospatial Analysis & Tech													
History													
Human Biology													
Industrial Engineering													
Interdisciplinary Studies													
International/Global Studies													
Leadership & Organizational Studies													
Manufacturing Engineering													
Materials Science & Engineering													
Mathematics													
Mechanical Engineering													
Microbiology													
Molecular (& Cell) Biology & Bioinformatics													
Natural Science													
Neurobiology/Neuroscience													

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
Nuclear Engineering													
Nutritional Sciences													
Packaging													
Paper Science & Engineering													
Pharmacology & Toxicology													
Physics													
Plant Pathology													
Plastics Engineering													
Science (Broad Area)													
Statistics													
Sustainability & Renewable Energy Systems													
Sustainable Food & Nutrition													
Undeclared Major-Engineering													
Water Science													
Zoology													

TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS	UW-Eau Claire	UW-Green Bay	UW-La Crosse	UW-Madison	UW-Milwaukee	UW-Oshkosh	UW-Parkside	UW-Platteville	UW-River Falls	UW-Stevens Point	UW-Stout	UW-Superior	UW-Whitewater
(Integrated) Supply Chain Management													
Transportation & Logistics Management													



ALL YOUR MAJORS



Mark down the top three career clusters that caught your attention. Then, go back and select three majors in each career cluster that feel closest to your interests. Finally, look to see which UW campuses offer these majors.

Career Cluster

Majors

Campuses

Career Cluster

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Campuses

*For example, a student interested in Health Science would list that career cluster name under “Career Clusters”, Nursing and Kinesiology under “Majors,” and UW-Eau Claire, UW-Green Bay, UW-Madison, UW-Milwaukee, UW Oshkosh, and UW-Stevens Point under “Campuses.”



A UW FOR YOU

This is where it gets exciting, where it starts to get real. You have a pretty long list of possible UWs, right? Time to find out which ones are the best fit for you.

There are 26 UWs across our state, from welcoming local campuses to internationally recognized research institutions. Not only does each campus have its own degree offerings, every UW has its own charms, communities, activities, and more.

There's a UW for everyone. Which UWs are for you?

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4-yr university



2-yr campus



Campus affiliation



LET'S EXPLORE

You'll find a brief introduction to all 26 UWs in this workbook. But it pays to dig a little deeper. Use the links in this workbook to continue your research online. Ask friends, teachers, and counselors. Take a tour and request more information. Your goal is to narrow down your choices to your top three UWs.

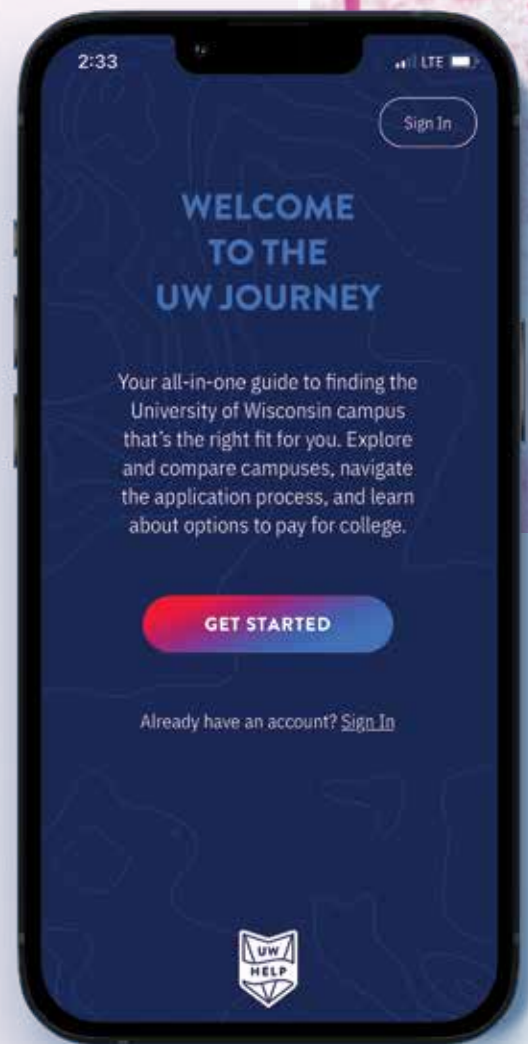
There's an app for that

We made an app called UW Journey to help you explore and discover which UWs are the best fit for you. Research and compare campuses, navigate the application process, and learn about options for paying for college.

uwjourney.wisconsin.edu

(desktop version)

It's free to download, free to use.



2 OR 4?

One of the easiest ways to narrow down your list of UWs is to decide what kind of education you need. The University of Wisconsin offers both 2-year and 4-year campuses. Get to know which is right for you.



2 THE TWO-YEAR UWs

Earn an associate degree through a focused, two-year program.

There are 13 UWs that primarily offer two-year degrees.* They have lower costs, smaller class sizes, and simpler, friendlier admission standards. They can be a great place to start and even let you earn credits you can transfer directly to UW's four-year universities.

*Some two-year campuses offer a select number of bachelor's degree programs.

4 THE FOUR-YEAR UWs

Earn a bachelor's degree through a rigorous, comprehensive four-year program.

There are 13 four-year UWs that can position you for advanced professional careers or graduate-level studies. They have high standards for admission and take into consideration the full breadth and diversity of your experiences.

UW-EAU CLAIRE



CAMPUSES

UW-Eau Claire

uwec.edu

UW-Eau Claire – Barron County

barron.uwec.edu

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

10,559

UW-Eau Claire – 10,158

UW-Eau Claire – Barron County – 401

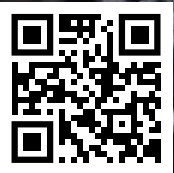
ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

715-836-5415

admissions@uwec.edu

127 Roosevelt Avenue
Eau Claire, WI 54701

CAMPUS TOUR



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

UW-Eau Claire

English: 4 years, including at least 3 years of composition and literature

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and advanced algebra

Natural Science: 3 years; lab sciences are encouraged, not required

Social Science/History: 3 years; require 1 year of world or American history

Electives: 4 years; in any above areas as well as foreign language, art, music, speech, computer science, and other academic areas.

UW-Eau Claire – Barron County

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3 years; require 1 year of algebra and 1 year of geometry; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from foreign language, fine arts, computer science, and other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINES

December 1, 2022 —
Priority Deadline, UW-Eau Claire

February 1, 2023 —
Regular Deadline, UW-Eau Claire

August 1, 2023 —
Priority Deadline,
UW-Eau Claire – Barron County

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

August 1, 2022
Application review begins

Two weeks
Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

UW-Eau Claire
3.39 – 3.90

UW-Eau Claire – Barron County
Open access

At **UW-Eau Claire**, we have redefined the college experience to better prepare you for the future and give you the space you need to transform yourself and the world around you. As a Blugold, you'll be encouraged to push boundaries and test limits. You'll rewrite the written, achieve the unthinkable and invent the unimaginable. You'll learn that when we have compassion for others, embrace our differences and work as a team, we're a force to be reckoned with — anything is possible.

UW-GREEN BAY

CAMPUSES

UW-Green Bay

uwgb.edu

UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus

uwgb.edu/manitowoc

UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus

uwgb.edu/marinette

UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus

uwgb.edu/sheboygan

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

9,799

UW-Green Bay – 8,771

UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus – 341

UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus – 240

UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus – 447

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

920-465-2111

uwgb@uwgb.edu

2420 Nicolet Drive
Green Bay, WI 54311



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

UW-Green Bay; Manitowoc, Marinette, and Sheboygan Campuses

English: 4 years; at least 3 years of composition, literature, and rhetoric

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and other mathematics courses with algebra and geometry prerequisites (preferably fitting the college preparatory math sequence of Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II); statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years, chosen from foreign language, fine arts, computer science, and other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINES

Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

August 1, 2022
Application review begins

Two weeks
Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

Open access

UW-Green Bay is a school of resilient problem-solvers, fearless dreamers, and fun-seekers, where forward-looking achievers dream big, prepare well, and stand together. Rise to your future on our bayshore campus, a natural sanctuary of learning. Discover your calling among 200 academic programs, and learn from professors who invest in your success. With 130 student clubs, more than 1,000 activities, and 14 NCAA Division-1 athletic teams, UW-Green Bay is a place to pursue your passions and have the time of your life. At Wisconsin's fastest-growing UW school, we are using our power to RISE.

UW-LA CROSSE



CAMPUS

UW-La Crosse

 uwlax.edu


FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

 10,330

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

 608-785-8939

 admissions@uwlax.edu

 1725 State Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

CAMPUS TOUR



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

Required for admission consideration

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and advanced algebra

Natural Science: 3 years; at least 2 years from biology, chemistry, physics, earth science, or advanced courses in these disciplines

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from above areas, foreign language, fine arts, computer science, other academic areas

Average admitted student

English: 4 years


Mathematics: 4 years

Natural Science: 4 years


Social Science/History: 4 years

Foreign Language: 3 years

ADMISSION DEADLINE

 **February 1, 2023** —
Priority Deadline

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

 **August 15, 2022**
Application review begins

3-4 weeks
Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

3.46 – 3.87


Nestled between the mighty Mississippi River and the towering bluffs, **UW-La Crosse** is a top-tier university in a mid-sized city jam-packed with art, culture, dining, and amazing outdoor experiences. Challenge yourself in a dynamic, diverse learning environment—we have more than 100 programs designed to excite and inspire. Explore NCAA athletics, club sports, intramurals, the arts, and 230 student organizations. There's something for everyone, so we know you'll be right at home at UW-La Crosse.

UW-MADISON



CAMPUS


UW-Madison

 wisc.edu


FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

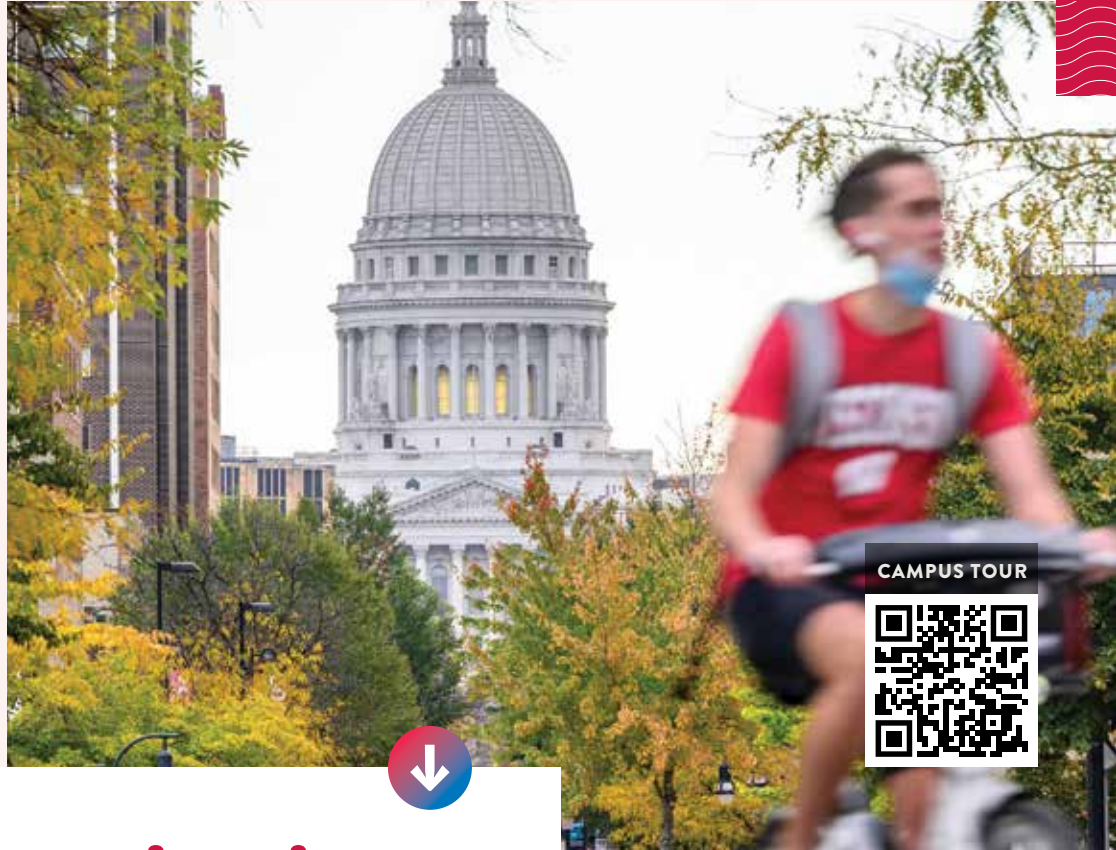
 47,824

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

 608-262-3961

 onwisconsin@admissions.wisc.edu

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



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3-4 years, including at least one year each of algebra, geometry, and advanced math, or an integrated sequence of courses. It is highly recommended taking math your senior year and advancing through pre-calculus or calculus, if available. Courses that will not fulfill the math requirement include statistics, business math, and computer classes.


Natural Science: 3-4 years

Social Science/History: 3-4 years

Single World Language: 2-4 years


Additional Academic/Fine Arts: 2 years

ADMISSION DEADLINE

 **November 1, 2022** —
First-Year Early Action Deadline

January 15, 2023 —
First-Year Regular Decision Deadline

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

 **September 1, 2022**
Application review begins

First-Year Early Action
Decisions on or before January 31, 2023

First-Year Regular Decision
Decisions on or before March 31, 2023

ADMITTED 50% GPA

3.8 – 4.0

UW-Madison is recognized as the #1 National Public University by Washington Monthly and 14th-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 interconnected to our vibrant community. UW-Madison is filled with Badgers who welcome challenges, seize opportunities, and defy expectations. Join our community of visionaries. You Belong at UW-Madison. Become a Badger!

UW-MILWAUKEE



CAMPUSES

UW-Milwaukee

uwm.edu

UW-Milwaukee at Washington County

uwm.edu/washington

UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha

uwm.edu/waukesha

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

24,019

UW-Milwaukee – 22,583

UW-Milwaukee at Washington County – 387

UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha – 1,049

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

414-229-2222

undergraduateadmissions@uwm.edu

PO Box 749
Milwaukee, WI 53201



CAMPUS TOUR



Application guidelines

UW-Milwaukee is a major urban university, located 10 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee and five minutes west of Lake Michigan. UWM offers more than 200 academic programs to 24,000 students. Our 15 schools and colleges – as well as our two associate-degree-granting campuses in Washington County and Waukesha – connect students to undergraduate research and internship opportunities. Schedule a campus visit to see UWM for yourself and learn more about what our university has to offer.

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

UW-Milwaukee, UW-Milwaukee at Washington County, and UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha

English: 4 years (including 3 years of literature and/or composition for bachelor's-degree seekers)

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and higher for bachelor's seekers; statistics can count as third year of math for admission.

*CEAS: 4 years recommended

Natural Science: 3 years; at least one year of lab science for bachelor's seekers.

*CEAS: at least 1 year of chemistry and physics also recommended

Nursing: at least 1 year of chemistry also recommended

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years, including at least 2 years of foreign language, speech/communication or other academic areas

*CEAS = College of Engineering & Applied Science

ADMISSION DEADLINE

March 1, 2023 — Priority Date

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

August 1, 2022

Application review begins

7-10 days

Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

UW-Milwaukee

3.0 – 3.4

UW-Milwaukee at Washington County and UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha

Open access


UW OSHKOSH

CAMPUSES


UW Oshkosh

 uwosh.edu

UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus

 uwosh.edu/fdl

UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus

 uwosh.edu/fox

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

 14,152


UW Oshkosh – 13,157


UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus – 281

UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus – 714

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

 920-424-3164

 admissions@uwosh.edu

 800 Algoma Boulevard
Oshkosh, WI 54901



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

UW Oshkosh

English: 4 years; at least 3 years of composition and literature

Mathematics: 3 years; Algebra I, Geometry, and a higher level math; statistics can count as third year of math for admission.

Natural Science: 3 years

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years, chosen from foreign language, art, music, computer science, and additional courses from areas above

UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus and

UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus

English: 4 years; at least 3 years of composition and literature


Mathematics: 3 years; Algebra I and Geometry; statistics can count as third year of math for admission.

Natural Science: 3 years


Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years, chosen from foreign language, art, music, computer science, and additional courses from areas above

ADMISSION DEADLINE

 Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

 **August 1, 2022**
Application review begins

Two weeks
Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

UW Oshkosh
3.0 – 3.6

**UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus and
UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus**
Open access

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.

UW-PARKSIDE



CAMPUS TOUR



CAMPUS

UW-Parkside

uwp.edu

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

4,143

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

262-595-2355

admissions@uwp.edu

900 Wood Road
Kenosha, WI 53144



Application guidelines

UW-Parkside is an oasis of quiet prairies and beautiful woodlands in the exciting Milwaukee-Chicago corridor. In any of our undergraduate and graduate programs, you can expect small class sizes, individual attention from faculty, and the ability to put learning in action through internships, community-based learning, research, campus employment, and work study experiences. We'll all major in you – your growth and your success. You graduate ready for the workplace and confident in your abilities.

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

English: 4 years, including 3 credits of composition and/or literature

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and higher; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years; including at least 1 year of lab science

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from above areas, foreign language, fine arts, computer science, other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINE

Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

August 1, 2022

Application review begins

1-2 week(s)

Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

2.95 –3.65

UW-PLATTEVILLE

CAMPUSES

UW-Platteville

uwplatt.edu

UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County

uwplatt.edu/baraboo

UW-Platteville Richland

uwplatt.edu/richland

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

6,777

UW-Platteville – 6,486

UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County – 216

UW-Platteville Richland – 75

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

608-342-1125

admit@uwplatt.edu

1 University Plaza
Platteville, WI 53818



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

UW-Platteville

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and higher (with algebra and geometry as prerequisites); statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years; 2 must include lab experiences

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from above areas, foreign language, fine arts, computer science, or courses in vocational areas

UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County and UW-Platteville Richland

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3 years; 1 year of algebra and 1 year of geometry; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from above areas, foreign language, fine arts, computer science, or courses in vocational areas

ADMISSION DEADLINE

Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

August 1, 2022
Application review begins

5-10 business days
Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

UW-Platteville
3.2 – 3.8

UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County and UW-Platteville Richland
Open access

Invest in your future at **UW-Platteville**.

You can explore a wide array of majors, both online and in-person, to jumpstart your personal and career goals. With unique hands-on learning opportunities at our Platteville, Richland, and Baraboo Sauk County campuses, we'll prepare you with real world skills employers are seeking now more than ever. Plus, we've consistently been ranked #1 in annual return on investment in Wisconsin, meaning you get a high-quality and affordable education in a safe and friendly environment. Learn more about why UW-Platteville is A Smart Investment at www.uwplatt.edu!

UW-RIVER FALLS



CAMPUS TOUR



Application guidelines

An excellent education at an affordable price – that’s our promise to you. Recognized as one of the best universities in the Midwest, **UW-River Falls** is located in the beautiful St. Croix River Valley, just 30 minutes from Minneapolis/St. Paul. With a campus full of opportunity and more than 70 areas of study, we’ll get you ready for what’s next. We turn learners into leaders through our inclusive, forward-thinking learning environment. And we’re proudly shaping a new generation of self-starters and team builders, creative makers and critical thinkers.

CAMPUS

UW-River Falls

uwrf.edu

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

5,410

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

715-425-3500

admissions@uwrf.edu

410 South 3rd Street
River Falls, WI 54022

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

English: 4 years; including 3 years of literature and composition

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and advanced algebra; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years; biology, chemistry, or physics are preferred

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from above areas, foreign language, fine arts, computer sciences, and other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINE

Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

August 1, 2022

Application review begins

1-2 week(s)

Average application review


ADMITTED 50% GPA

3.2 – 3.8


UW-STEVENS POINT

CAMPUSES

UW-Stevens Point

 uwsp.edu

UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield

 uwsp.edu/marshfield

UW-Stevens Point at Wausau

 uwsp.edu/wausau

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT


 8,206

UW-Stevens Point – 7,329


UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield – 346

UW-Stevens Point at Wausau – 531

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

 715-346-2441

 admiss@uwsp.edu

 2108 Fourth Avenue
Stevens Point, WI 54481-3897



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

UW-Stevens Point

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and higher; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; 2 chosen from above areas or foreign language, fine arts, or computer science (excluding keyboarding), 2 chosen from above areas and other academic, technical, and career areas (excluding cooperative education)

UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield and UW-Stevens Point at Wausau

English: 4 years


Mathematics: 3 years; 1 year of algebra and 1 year of geometry; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years, chosen from foreign language, fine arts, computer science, and other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINE

 Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

 **August 1, 2022**

Application review begins

72 hours

Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

UW-Stevens Point

3.1 – 3.8

UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield and UW-Stevens Point at Wausau

Open access


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, all at an affordable price. Discover the possibilities—and discover your purpose at UW-Stevens Point.

UW-STOUT



CAMPUS


UW-Stout

 uwstout.edu


FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

 7,692

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

 715-232-1232

 admissions@uwstout.edu

 212 Sorensen Hall
Menomonie, WI 54751

CAMPUS TOUR



Application guidelines

Students who graduate from **UW-Stout**, Wisconsin's Polytechnic University, earn more than a diploma; they start exciting careers with experience on their resumes. UW-Stout's majors offer applied learning opportunities that stretch students' minds and equip them with problem-solving and critical thinking skills valued by employers. Students often spend more time in labs and studios than in traditional classrooms.

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

English: 4 years; emphasizing literature, composition, rhetoric, and speech


Mathematics: 3 years; Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II (Integrated Math 1, 2, and 3); a fourth year is strongly encouraged for majors in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years; typically physical science, biology, and chemistry; physics is strongly encouraged for majors in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from the areas above or world language, business, family/consumer education, art and design, computer application/programming, and other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINE

 Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

 **August 1, 2022**

Application review begins

1-2 week(s)

Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

3.1 – 3.8

UW-SUPERIOR



CAMPUS


UW-Superior

 uwsuper.edu


FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

 2,609

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

 715-394-8230

 admissions@uwsuper.edu

 PO Box 2000
Superior, WI 54880

CAMPUS TOUR



Application guidelines

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

English: 4 years; at least 3 years of composition, literature, and rhetoric


Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, and other mathematics courses with algebra and geometry prerequisites (preferably fitting the college preparatory math sequence of Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II); statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years


Social Sciences/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; chosen from foreign language, fine arts, computer science, and other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINE

 Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

 **August 15, 2022**
Application review begins

1-3 days
Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

2.93 – 3.78

UW-Superior is a nationally recognized public liberal arts institution of more than 2,500 students in the Superior-Duluth, Minnesota, 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.

UW-WHITEWATER



CAMPUSES

UW-Whitewater

uw.edu

UW-Whitewater at Rock County

uw.edu/rock

FALL 2021 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

11,460

UW-Whitewater – 10,816

UW-Whitewater at Rock County – 644

ADMISSIONS CONTACT INFO

262-472-1440

uwadmit@uw.edu

800 West Main Street
Whitewater, WI 53190



Application guidelines

The Warhawk family isn't just an expression – it's how we live. **UW-Whitewater** offers two campuses and is a vibrant, welcoming home to about 11,500 students. With award-winning academic programs, a community location and caring faculty and staff dedicated to your success, UW-Whitewater leads the way as a College of Distinction. Warhawks find great value in our affordable tuition, small class sizes, nationally recognized student support services, and hands-on leadership opportunities. At UW-Whitewater, you belong here.

COLLEGE PREP CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

UW-Whitewater

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra, geometry, advanced algebra/algebra 2

Natural Science: 3 years; biology, chemistry, or physics are preferred

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; 2 chosen from the following: foreign language, fine arts, computer science, and other academic areas

UW-Whitewater at Rock County

English: 4 years

Mathematics: 3 years; algebra and geometry; statistics can count as third year of math for admission

Natural Science: 3 years; biology, chemistry, or physics are preferred

Social Science/History: 3 years

Electives: 4 years; 2 chosen from the following: foreign language, fine arts, computer science, and other academic areas

ADMISSION DEADLINE

Rolling admission

APPLICATION REVIEW TIMELINE

August 1, 2022

Application review begins

Two weeks

Average application review

ADMITTED 50% GPA

UW-Whitewater

3.0 – 3.6

UW-Whitewater at Rock County

Open access

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THE UWS

	Undergraduate Student Enrollment	Admitted 50% GPA	Admission Rate	Tuition Resident	Tuition Non-resident	Tuition Minnesota Reciprocity
UW-EAU CLAIRE	9,458	3.39-3.90	85%	\$8,914.24	\$17,626.66	\$10,239.28
UW-Eau Claire – Barron County	401	open access	100%	\$5,390.32	\$12,961.12	\$5,953.60
UW-GREEN BAY	8,248	open access	100%	\$7,873.44	\$16,091.28	\$10,261.44
UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus	341	open access	100%	\$5,174.76	\$12,745.56	\$5,738.04
UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus	240	open access	100%	\$5,174.76	\$12,745.56	\$5,738.04
UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus	447	open access	100%	\$5,174.76	\$12,745.56	\$5,738.04
UW-LA CROSSE	9,393	3.46-3.87	82%	\$9,231.86	\$18,051.38	\$10,333.46
UW-MADISON	35,386	3.8-4.0	64%	\$10,796.40	\$39,427.44	\$15,528.96
UW-MILWAUKEE	18,164	3.0-3.4	95%	\$9,619.82	\$21,484.70	\$14,166.62
UW-Milwaukee at Washington County	387	open access	100%	\$5,184.06	\$12,754.86	\$5,747.34
UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha	1,049	open access	100%	\$5,184.06	\$12,754.86	\$5,747.34
UW OSHKOSH	11,961	3.0-3.6	98%	\$7,795.56	\$15,368.52	\$10,059.72
UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus	281	open access	100%	\$5,275.84	\$12,846.64	\$5,839.12
UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus	714	open access	100%	\$5,097.84	\$12,668.64	\$5,661.12
UW-PARKSIDE	3,376	2.95-3.65	89%	\$7,466.64	\$15,736.32	\$9,854.64
UW-PLATTEVILLE	5,979	3.2-3.8	96%	\$7,862.08	\$16,799.92	\$10,130.32
UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County	216	open access	98%	\$5,513.84	\$13,645.38	\$6,077.12
UW-Platteville Richland	75	open access	96%	\$5,570.76	\$13,702.30	\$6,134.04
UW-RIVER FALLS	5,003	3.2-3.8	97%	\$8,135.26	\$16,128.22	\$10,393.18
UW-STEVENS POINT	6,689	3.1-3.8	97%	\$8,376.48	\$17,080.08	\$10,364.64
UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield	346	open access	100%	\$5,299.68	\$12,870.48	\$5,862.96
UW-Stevens Point at Wausau	531	open access	100%	\$5,342.64	\$12,913.44	\$5,905.92
UW-STOUT	6,631	3.1-3.8	98%	\$9,663.00	\$17,929.50	\$11,697.00
UW-SUPERIOR	2,200	2.93-3.78	97%	\$8,167.78	\$15,740.74	\$10,318.66
UW-WHITEWATER	9,121	3.0-3.6	93%	\$7,864.18	\$17,039.38	\$10,031.62
UW-Whitewater at Rook County	644	open access	100%	\$5,297.46	\$12,868.26	\$5,860.74

STILL CAN'T DECIDE?

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 how well each campus fits.

	Does it support my major or areas of interest?	Can I do my best work in the class size?	Does the campus have activities and clubs that interest me?	Can I meet the academic requirements?	Can I make it work financially?	Do I like the community and campus?	Am I personally drawn to this campus?	TOTAL
UW-EAU CLAIRE								
UW-Eau Claire - Barron County								
UW-GREEN BAY								
UW-Green Bay, Manitowoc Campus								
UW-Green Bay, Marinette Campus								
UW-Green Bay, Sheboygan Campus								
UW-LA CROSSE								
UW-MADISON								
UW-MILWAUKEE								
UW-Milwaukee at Washington County								
UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha								
UW OSHKOSH								
UW Oshkosh, Fond du Lac Campus								
UW Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus								
UW-PARKSIDE								
UW-PLATTEVILLE								
UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County								
UW-Platteville Richland								
UW-RIVER FALLS								
UW-STEVENS POINT								
UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield								
UW-Stevens Point at Wausau								
UW-STOUT								
UW-SUPERIOR								
UW-WHITEWATER								
UW-Whitewater at Rock County								



When you've narrowed down your choices, write your UWs here:

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.

TIME TO MAKE SURE!

All this is fine in theory, but what about real life? One great benefit of exploring careers and campuses early is that now you can see if your choices are actually your best fit.

Visit your UWs

There is no substitute for visiting your UWs in person, or taking a virtual tour, to see if they actually measure up to your needs. You can find contact information for visiting every UW campus right in this workbook. When you visit, ask a lot of questions, introduce yourself to the students and faculty, and take good notes!

Schedule a campus tour:

uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/campus-tours

WHERE I WANT TO VISIT

Campus	Date	Visited?
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QUESTIONS FOR MY UWS

Campus	Question
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RESEARCH YOUR CAREER

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You also have time to do some real-world research into your career. Life is about finding that fine balance between what makes you happy, the risks you're willing to take, and your financial goals. You owe it to yourself to see how your career interests stack up before you commit to them in college.

Here are some questions to help prove whether your dream job is everything you hope it will be.



How competitive is it?

Some fields can be surprisingly hard to break into. Others are constantly looking for good people. Is it risky to get into your field? And if so, is it a risk you're willing to take?

Are there going to be jobs in my field?


Some jobs that were common 20 years ago are gone today. And some didn't even exist until recently. Do you want to help grow a new industry or make an existing one better?

How much education do I need?

What type of degree will you need to succeed in your field? Does it require an associate degree from one of the UW's two-year campuses, or do you need a bachelor degree from one of the UW's four-year universities, or more? It's a commitment. Scale your education to what's best for you.

Can I make a good living?

How important is your income to the life you want? For some, it's only part of the equation. For others, it's the most important question. Make sure the job you choose can support the life you want to live.



Challenge yourself to do one big thing this year to get real-world, hands-on experience in the area you want to study. Get out and meet the people already learning what you want to learn and doing what you want to do. There's nothing like it.



Getting this kind of experience is easier than you think. Most people are excited to hear from someone who shares their passions and interests. You can do it!

DO 1 BIG THING

Do one of these things this year:

Participate in a precollege program

UWs offer a wealth of precollege programs for students K–12, just like you, to get you thinking like a college student. Visit your local UW's website to find out what precollege offerings are available near you!

Conduct an informational interview

Do you already know someone who is working in the field?* Ask them for 30 minutes of their time to ask them all your questions. What did they major in? What do they like about their job? What do they wish they would have done differently? Would they choose their field again?

Do job shadowing

Even better, take a day to shadow someone at their job so you can see firsthand what it's like to do what they do. It can be one of the most inspirational things you do. Ask your parents, guardians, relatives, friends, and counselors to help you find the right person to shadow.

Take an internship

Once you're confident that you've found a path that's right for you, spend a semester or a summer getting real-world experience with an internship in your field. As a bonus, internships look amazing on your UW applications.

*Don't know anyone? Often, your school counselor, friends, or family can help you find someone!

WHAT ELSE CAN YOU START DOING TODAY?

You can work to make yourself a great candidate for your favorite UWs.

Getting into your stretch school can often hinge on the extra things you do. Take challenging courses, earn college credit in high school, participate in extracurriculars, take an internship or a job. When you apply, your UWs will want to hear what sets you apart.

Dot your i's and cross your t's

All UW campuses require a minimum of 17 college preparatory credits from high school. Find specific guidelines for each campus on their Campus Profile page or under the Requirements tab at:

uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/admission-guidelines/freshman



No ACT/SAT requirement

ACT and SAT scores are suspended as part of the application review process for all UW System campuses through the 2024-2025 academic year. You do not have to submit ACT or SAT scores, but they are optional to send in for consideration.

Minimum requirements

Check off your requirements as you meet them. But remember, what's listed here are the basic requirements. If you're applying to a competitive school, you'll want to make sure you meet their specific requirements (and maybe even do a little more).

- 4**
ENGLISH
Study of the English language and literature. Courses include Freshman English, composition, literature, rhetoric, and others. Most regular and advanced courses are accepted.
- 3**
MATH
Study of mathematics, including algebra, geometry, and other mathematics courses with algebra or geometry prerequisites.
- 3**
NATURAL SCIENCE
Study of the theory and practice of natural sciences, including ecology, biology, chemistry, physics, astronomy, earth science, geology, and others. Courses often include a lab.
- 3**
SOCIAL SCIENCE
Study of culture, history, political science, economics, sociology, and psychology, including world studies, United States history, economics, civics, and others.
- 4**
ELECTIVE
Classes in your personal interests, including world languages, fine arts, computer science, and other areas.
- *2**
SINGLE WORLD LANGUAGE
Study of language and literature, including French, Spanish, Japanese, American Sign Language, and others.

*UW-Madison only

Earn college credit in high school

One of the best ways to save time and money is to take college credits in high school. You can earn credits that transfer directly to all UW campuses by taking Advanced Placement (AP) classes, International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, or enrolling in courses through Wisconsin's Early College Credit Program (ECCP). Contact your UWs to find out how your credits will transfer.

Find out more at:

uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/prep-for-college/credits

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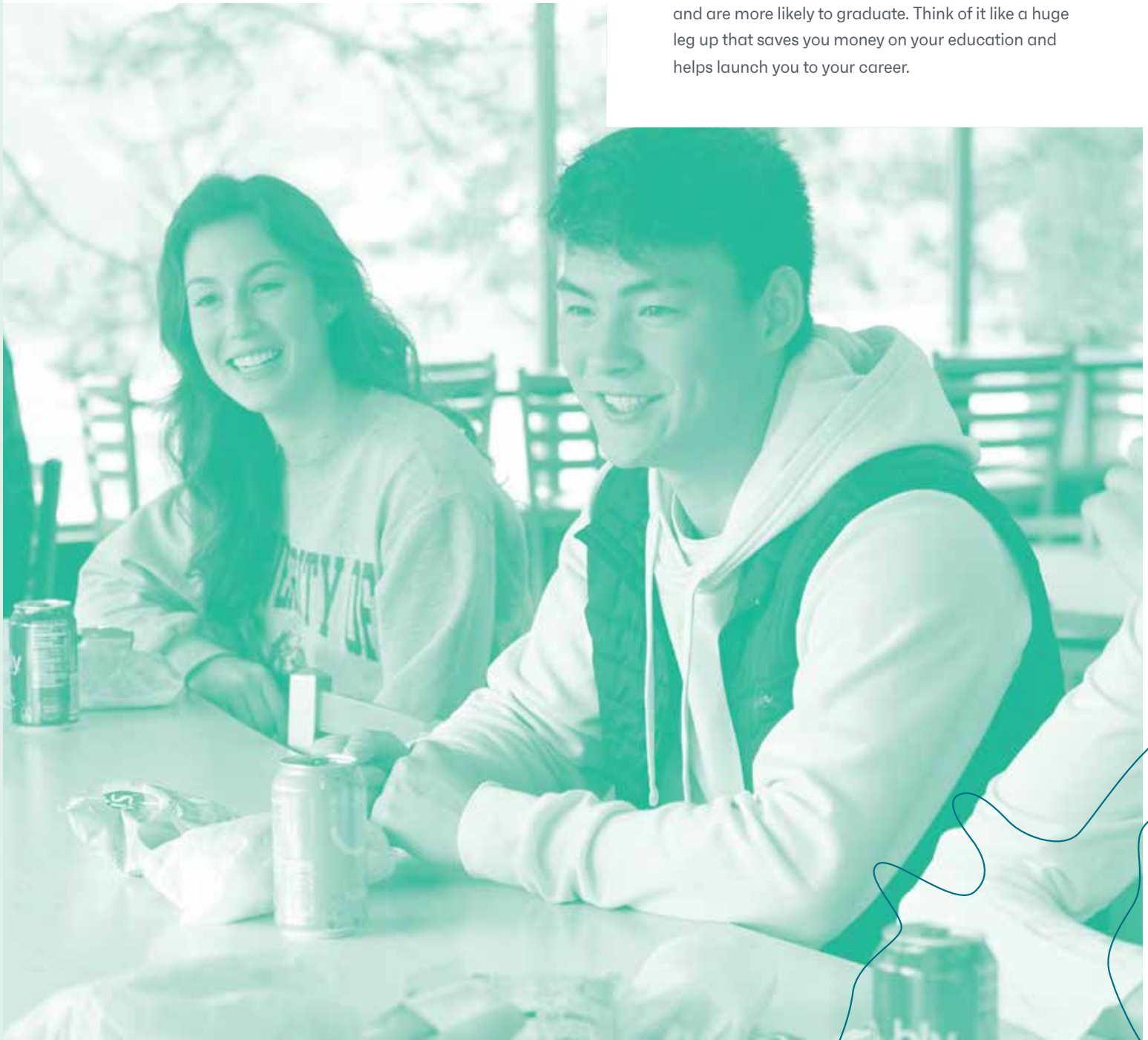
15 to Finish

While you're getting a jump on things, it's a good time to start planning out how you will approach your courses in college too. If you want to get your bachelor's degree in four years, or your associate degree in two, you'll need to average 15 credits per semester (or 30 credits per year) to graduate on time. That's good to know early, so you can start strong and plan how to keep on track.

Learn more at: wisconsin.edu/15toFinish

Why is 15 to Finish important?

Sure, it puts momentum on your side. But students who average 15 credits per semester also get better grades and are more likely to graduate. Think of it like a huge leg up that saves you money on your education and helps launch you to your career.





MAKE IT AFFORDABLE

College is an investment, but there are ways to make it more affordable. + + +

Grants

Grants are awarded based on financial need and do not require you to repay. You'll need to complete your FAFSA application to determine financial need.

Scholarships

Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, academic merit, or other specific criteria. You do not need to repay them. You can find scholarships in your local community, at your UW campuses, or through private organizations.

Start your search with your high school counselor and with this handy chart of scholarship resources: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/scholarship-chart

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 programs on campus.

Your UW's financial aid office will work with you to help find resources to make college more affordable. Find out more at: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/fin-aid

BUILD YOUR BUDGET

Use this chart to get an idea of how much college will cost. Fill in yearly estimates for each line. Remember as you're budgeting, you'll need to cover expenses for at least two years for an associate degree or for at least four years for a bachelor's degree.



Find the latest tuition information for your UWs at:
uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/budget-builder

	COSTS	WRITE IN UW CAMPUS NAME #1	WRITE IN UW CAMPUS NAME #2	WRITE IN UW CAMPUS NAME #3
UW	Tuition			
	Fees			
	Housing			
	Meal plan			
	Books and supplies			
HOUSING <small>(if living off campus)</small>	Rent			
	Renter's insurance			
	Phone			
	Internet			
	Cable/satellite			
TRANSPORTATION	Utilities (electricity, water, trash)			
	Car loan payments			
	Car insurance			
	Oil changes			
	Gas			
	Car repairs			
	Parking			
	Bike			
	Public transportation			
	Travel home			
DAILY LIVING	Groceries			
	Dining out			
	Clothing			
	Self-care (laundry, hair stylist, etc.)			
	Travel			
	Gifts			
	Church and charity			
	Entertainment			
	Other living expenses			
		Total cost of attendance	\$	\$



CHECK THINGS OFF

Freshman Year

- It's normal to feel shy as you transition to high school, but if you have any questions, ask friends, a teacher or a trusted advisor.
- Try new classes and extracurricular activities.
- Explore your interests!
- Develop good study habits.
College admission offices will evaluate your grades from ALL four years.
- Discuss your options after high school with your counselor.
- Plan to take challenging and advanced level courses.
- Start a brag sheet: a list of activities, achievements, awards, and other notable accomplishments.
- Search for part-time or seasonal jobs and volunteer experiences, especially for the summer after freshman year.
- Save for college.
Money from holidays, birthdays, or part-time jobs can go a long way.
- Think about how your skills and interests might direct you toward a career.
- Ask people how they got their current jobs.
If possible, shadow careers that interest you.
- Take a look at summer pre-college programs offered by your local UW campuses.
- Review UW campus course requirements for admission.
- Review & start budgeting for college now.

Sophomore Year

- Evaluate the extracurricular activities that you began your freshman year.
Try to pick up something new.
- Level up involvement in your activities.
Grow your leadership skills by taking on a new project or contributing new ideas.
- Revisit the plans that you made last year with your counselor.
- Learn the requirements to take advanced courses your junior and senior years.
- If possible, take practice tests to help you prepare for the ACT or SAT.
Free resources are available online.
- Explore ways to use financial aid, grants and/or scholarships to pay for attending a UW school.
- Reexamine the careers you found interesting in your freshman year.
Job shadow someone if you can.
- Talk to your parents and friends about how your career interests align with college majors.
- Explore which UW campuses offer your major of interest.
- Take a look at summer pre-college programs offered by your local UW campuses.

Junior Year

Throughout the year:

- **Get ready for the ACT and/or SAT.**
*ACT/SAT scores are optional to include for admission purposes.
- **Explore potential UW System campuses.**
Visit websites and attend college fairs.
- **Download the UW Journey App.**
Find your UW campus that best fits you, based on your interests. Learn more about how to apply and pay for college.
- **Stay on track with your classes and grades.**
Consider taking challenging classes such as AP/IB.
- **Take the ACT and/or SAT.**
- **Begin asking for letters of recommendation.**
Teachers and counselors are great resources.
- **Register for UW campus tours and preview days.**
- **Take a look at summer pre-college programs offered by your local UW campuses.**

*ACT/ SAT scores are suspended as part of the application review process for all UW System campuses through the 2024-2025 academic year. You do not have to submit ACT or SAT scores, but they are optional to send in for consideration.

Summer:

- **Research admissions requirements for the colleges you are interested in.**
- **Review priority dates and deadlines for admission.**
- **Begin drafting application essays.**
- **Attend UW campus tours & preview days.**

Senior Year

Fall:

- **Meet with your high school counselor.**
- **Keep track of application dates and deadlines, scholarships and housing.**
- **Gather application materials.**
Include transcripts, test scores and letters of recommendation.
- **Submit applications to your UW campuses.**
Go to apply.wisconsin.edu to apply.
- **Apply for financial aid using the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov).**
FAFSA opens October 1.

Winter:

- **Decide which UW you will attend next fall.**
- **Pay enrollment deposit (if required).**
- **Complete your housing application.**
- **Watch your email for campus updates.**
Campuses will be sending communication to your UW campus email.
- **Make housing decision.**

Spring:

- **Register for college placement tests.**
- **Make the last semester of high school count.**
Finish strong. These grades will be reviewed by the admissions office.
- **Take placement tests.**
- **Review financial aid offer from your future UW campus.**
- **Send final grades from your senior year to the UW campus you are attending.**

Summer:

- **Sign up and attend student orientation at your future UW campus.**
- **Get prepared for your freshman year.**



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