

Counselor Update | 2025

Embark on your path. We'll show you the way.



JUST APPROVED

Prairie Springs Science Center II construction will begin in 2026 and is scheduled to open in fall 2028. It will add 30 new STEM classrooms, laboratories and collaborative spaces that will support student learning, cuttingedge research and innovative curricula designed in close collaboration with regional employers.



QUICK FACTS

ENROLLMENT:

10,492

OUR STUDENT BODY COMES FROM:

39 STATES

30 COUNTRIES

80% WISCONSIN

AVERAGE HS GPA

3.68

AVERAGE ACT

24

25

MEDIAN

CLASS SIZE:

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Apply for Admission

Regular Decision Application Deadline - February 1

Applications received after February 1 will be considered on a space-available basis.

- Application for admission apply.wisconsin.edu
- \$25 application fee
- High school transcripts (may be uploaded with the application for admission)
- ACT or SAT scores (optional)
 ACT code: 4672, SAT code: 1914

HIGH SCHOOL COURSES	MINIMUM	AVERAGE
ENGLISH	4	4
MATHEMATICS: Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II	3	4
NATURAL SCIENCES: At least two credits from Biology, Chemistry, Physics or advanced courses in these disciplines	3	4
SOCIAL SCIENCE/HISTORY	3	4
WORLD LANGUAGE	No Requirement	3

Tips to Being a Competitive Applicant

Strong applicants should have <u>rigor</u> in their senior schedule. Courses in the core curriculum of English, math, science and social science are extremely important.

Essays

First Essay Prompt (Universities of Wisconsin):

Each student is unique. Please tell us about the particular life experiences, talents, commitments, and/or interests you will bring to our campus.

Second Essay Prompt (UWL):

Please respond to ONE of the following: (1) Tell us about any circumstances that may have had an impact on your academic performance. OR (2) Tell us why you are interested in attending UW-La Crosse and what aspects of the campus are especially important to you.

ACT/SAT Scores

Submitting ACT or SAT scores is not required for admission consideration. Applicants choosing to not submit standardized tests will not be at a disadvantage nor will it negatively impact their application review. Students who have taken the ACT or SAT are welcome to submit their score.

Applicants are encouraged to send official test scores directly from the testing agency or may self-report test scores.

Superscores

UWL superscores both the ACT and SAT. To take advantage of superscoring, we recommend submitting all test scores if taken multiple times. For both the ACT and SAT, UWL will use the highest score of each section (e.g., English, math, reading), regardless of test date, to calculate an ACT or SAT superscore. UWL does not consider the writing portion of either test.

Unofficial High School Transcripts

Unofficial high school transcripts may be uploaded with the application for admission or may be sent from the high school to the UWL Admissions Office. An official final high school transcript will be required for all admitted students enrolling at UWL. We accept official transcripts with the graduation date sent by the high school via USPS mail or an electronic sending service (e.g., Parchment, Xello, etc.).

Credit By Exam

We publish the information about our policies for accepting AP, IB and CLEP credits through our Credit by Exam guide, available at uwlax.edu/admissions/ap-ib-clep-credit.

Transferology

Transferology is a nationwide network designed to help students answer the question of how their courses will transfer. Students enter courses to find equivalent courses at UWL or use the Transferology site to inform UWL about coursework that has not yet been evaluated.

www.transferology.com/school/uwlax

WINGS Student Center: Need To Know

When a student applies to UWL, they are sent an email to the email address provided on their application with a username and password providing access to their WINGS Student Center. Through their WINGS Student Center, they will track the status of their application, pay their enrollment deposit, complete the housing contract, view information about financial aid, sign up for START, register for classes and review information about transfer credit.

AFFORDING UWL

2025-26 UNDERGRADUATE COST OF ATTENDANCE					
	Wisconsin	Minnesota with reciprocity	Nonresident	Midwest Tuition Rate	
Tuition and Fees	\$10,657	\$11,187	\$20,575	\$15,031	
Room	\$4,693	\$4,693	\$4,693	\$4,693	
Meals	\$3,191	\$3,191	\$3,191	\$3,191	
Total	\$18,541	\$19,071	\$28,459	\$22,915	

Tuition and fees Include

- 12-18 semester credits
- Textbook rental
- Use of Recreational Eagle Center facilities
- City bus pass
- Use of Student Health Center
- Admission into regular-season athletic events

Scholarship Resource Center

The Scholarship Resource Center encourages students to focus on alternative funding options. They provide excellent resources and support through the scholarship process. uwlax.edu/scholarships.

Midwest Tuition Rate

This is a competitive merit-based tuition reduction program for selected new freshmen who are Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio or South Dakota residents.

Scholarships

Students who are admitted to UWL can apply for scholarships through the UW-La Crosse Alumni & Friends Foundation. The application can be found at uwlax.academicworks.com and is due February 1. There are also academic merit scholarships that students are automatically considered for based on their application for admission. High school course rigor, class rank and grade point average, ACT/SAT test scores and the essay responses are among criteria that will be reviewed for scholarship purposes. Students will be notified by the Admissions Office if they receive a scholarship.

SENIOR TIMELINE

Fall	 Apply after August 1 Submit \$100 Enrollment Deposit Submit \$150 Housing Deposit/Contract
October-January	Apply for Financial Aid & Scholarships
March-May	Take Placement Tests
April	Apply for Minnesota Tuition Reciprocity
Мау	 Deadline for \$100 Enrollment Deposit (May 1) Deadline for START Sign Up (May 31)
June	Receive Hall & Roommate AssignmentsSTART (freshman registration)
September	Move-in Labor Day WeekendClasses Begin

Deadlines are important at UWL. Not meeting deadlines may prevent a student from enrolling at UWL.



SENIOR YEAR GRADES & COMPLETION OF COURSES

Final admission is contingent upon students maintaining their GPA/class rank and successfully completing all courses identified on the application for admission. Students with poor senior year grades or not completing all courses may have their admission rescinded. Schedule changes should be reviewed with the UWL Admissions Office.



TOP GRADUATING PROGRAMS

- BIOLOGY
- EXERCISE & SPORT SCIENCE
- PSYCHOLOGY
- FINANCE
- MANAGEMENT

NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- BIOLOGY: ZOOLOGY & ANIMAL PHYSIOLOGY
- COMPUTER SCIENCE: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
- CRIMINOLOGY
- DATA SCIENCE
- EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION & SPECIAL EDUCATION
- ENGINEERING PHYSICS
- FOOD MICROBIOLOGY
- MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY & IMMUNOLOGY

UNIQUE PROGRAMS

- ARCHAEOLOGICAL STUDIES
- NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGY
- RADIATION THERAPY
- RECREATION THERAPY

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

Academic Advising & Career Services advising@uwlax.edu

advising@uwlax.edu 608.785.6950

Center for Civil Dialogue & Civic Engagement

cdce@uwlax.edu 608.785.5094

Counseling & Testing Center

cchampion@uwlax.edu 608.785.8073

Disability Resource Center

drc@uwlax.edu 608.785.6900

Financial Aid Office

finaid@uwlax.edu 608.785.8604

88%

OF UWL GRADUATES EARN THEIR DEGREE IN 4 ½ YEARS OR LESS

Multicultural Student Services

omss@uwlax.edu 608.785.8225

Pride Center

wvanroosenbeek@uwlax.edu 608.785.8887

Student Health Center

shcnetworking@uwlax.edu 608.785.8558

Student Support Services

sss@uwlax.edu 608.785.8535



NEW FRESHMEN WHO RETURN TO UWL THEIR NEXT YEAR

VISITING CAMPUS

We offer a variety of visit options. Head to www.uwlax.edu/visit to learn about our tours and schedule a visit!

CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

Each day provides information on admission guidelines, academic programs, financial aid, residence life, extracurricular activities and what students think about UWL.

Dates for 2025-26 are:

Friday, October 17, 2025 Friday, October 24, 2025

Friday, November 7, 2025

Friday, February 20, 2026 Friday, April 24, 2026

HIGH SCHOOL VISITS

Contact Sam Pierce at spierce@uwlax.edu to request a visit to your high school, including our Virtual High School Visit option.

MEET THE UWL ADMISSIONS STAFF

- Corey Sjoquist | Director of Admissions csjoquist@uwlax.edu
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- Tracy Farwell | Freshman Application Review Specialist Early College Credit Program tfarwell@uwlax.edu

The Admissions Office is here to help you and your students. Please call (608.785.8939) or email (admissions@uwlax.edu) us with any questions, comments or concerns.



STAY CONNECTED

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