Because our FUTURE depends on the success of our YOUTH

How to Apply
To apply to attend our Mentoring and Readiness for College (MARC) program, fill out the enclosed UW-La Crosse Pre-College Registration form and mail, fax, or email to the address listed below.

Equal Opportunity
The University of Wisconsin-La Crosse is committed to equal opportunity in its educational program, activities and employment policies for all persons regardless of race, color, gender, creed, religion, age, ancestry, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital or parental status.

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Subscribe to the "Remind" app for parent communication!

Applications

Schedule

Fall
October - November

Spring
February - April

Transportation Provided!

Our Locations

Holmen
Mondays
(Primarily Hmong Students)
3:00-5:15 PM

La Crosse
Tuesdays
(Primarily African American Students and Boys & Girls Club members)
5:00-7:30 PM

Thursdays
(Primarily Hmong Students)
5:00-7:30 PM
OUR PROGRAM

HOW MARC WORKS
Through a combination of tutoring, enrichment, and communication, our Mentoring and Readiness for College (MARC) program is designed to inspire students to attend college and become active members in their community, while taking a proactive role in their life choices.

Part of our success is due to our low tutor-to-student ratio, while other strengths of this program reside outside the classroom. Beyond academics, this mentorship also exposes students to a number of opportunities, organizations within the community and events on local campuses. We also strive to meet the academic needs of our students by communication and collaboration with parents, teachers and school administrators.

THE DETAILS

Who We Serve
Multicultural and low-income students attending school in La Crosse and surrounding districts. (See back for program locations & times)

What We Do
Weekly tutoring and enrichment during the academic school year, with a strong emphasis on relationship building.

Why We Care
Because our future depends on the success of our youth!

OUR PURPOSE & VISION

PURPOSE
MARC is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Student Services at the University of Wisconsin–La Crosse. The Pre-College programs provide academic year tutoring and enrichment, a summer reading component, summer camp opportunities and ongoing mentoring for multicultural students in La Crosse and surrounding communities.

The purpose is to assist youth in specific academic subjects to help youth develop more effective study skills and to provide enrichment and recreational activities.

College students and local professionals will promote understanding, self-awareness, cultural awareness, and appreciation among participating youth. Our college student staff members, volunteers, and adult professionals are from various backgrounds and include positive role models who have the future of our youth as their highest priority.

Shared Vision
Respect is the shared vision that informs all pre-college programs offered by the UW–La Crosse Office of Multicultural Student Services.

It is through respect for the wisdom and truth of all people and traditions, and through an understanding of current academic knowledge, that we can encourage our youth to forge a hopeful and peaceful tomorrow. To fulfill this promise requires high integrity, intensity, and real commitment to education, self-discipline, and respect for self, others and the sanctity of all life.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

ACADEMIC SUCCESS
A high emphasis is placed on helping students to reach their academic goals. 1-on-1 and small group tutoring allows students to get help in subject areas where they may need extra assistance. Many tutors have backgrounds in education and try to find ways to think outside the box when helping students!

ENRICHMENT
Enrichment incorporates a variety of fun theme based activities. Activities include: games, crafts, team building exercises, outdoor recreation, and more. During this time both youth and mentors are encouraged to participate.

RELATIONSHIP BUILDING
Research proves that risk factors go down significantly when children are surrounded by caring adults, positive programming and a safe environment. Building meaningful relationships is the key to helping youth develop both academically and emotionally.