

UW La Crosse (UWL) Student Affairs Administration (SAA)

Please begin with the UW System application at <http://apply.wisconsin.edu>. Completing the UW application triggers an email invitation to an Applicant Dashboard, where candidates will upload their resume, personal statement, contact information for two references, and this program application form. See our site at <http://www.uwlax.edu/saa> for more information on each step of that process.

NOTE: The choices below merely reflect your initial interests. During program interviews in January-February 2021, you can update your preferences. For now, mark any program choices you would *consider* below, and tell us more about your preferences in your personal statement. If you have any other questions, please contact us at apply2saa@uwlax.edu.

2021 Program Application for Master of Science in Education (M.S.Ed.)

Student Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

I may be interested in the following course delivery options: *(check any that apply)*

On-campus courses at UW La Crosse (fall/spring only - typically, on-campus students hold part-time graduate assistantships at UWL or Western Technical College)

Online asynchronous courses (summer/fall/spring– weekly activity required, but done at whatever time you wish, which is typically preferred by those already working in higher education, or applying for graduate internships outside of La Crosse)

Online synchronous or blended courses (These courses include a combination of live online synchronous meetings and asynchronous content – and could be taken by students in graduate assistant/intern roles or those already working full-time)

My cumulative grade-point average (GPA) is: *(check all that apply)*

At or above a 2.85 on a 4.0 scale

3.0 or higher in the last 60 undergraduate credits

3.0 or higher in 12 or more credits of graduate study

Other (please describe)

I may qualify for an application fee waiver because: *(check all that apply)*

I participated in a McNair Scholars program. See <https://bit.ly/2WsAPZC> for form.

I am currently an Americorps Volunteer. *Please include on resume.*

I have extreme financial hardship. *Submit a [FAFSA](#) by Feb 1.*

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Important Dates:

February 1, 2021 – Priority consideration deadline.

- Submit UW Application and unofficial transcripts at <http://apply.wisconsin.edu>
- Submit Resume, personal statement, recommendation letters, and this program application to Applicant Dashboard.
- You will receive an email invitation to the Applicant Dashboard within a few days of submitting your UW application. In order to meet the February 1 priority deadline, we suggest you submit the UW Application a week earlier, to ensure access to the Applicant Dashboard.

February 18, 2021 - UWL SAA Virtual Visit Day

- Individual interviews for those already working full-time begin in January; Group interviews for those seeking assistantships will occur on this Virtual Visit Day.
- At Visit Day, candidates can also visit with prospective employers, and arrange for graduate assistant/intern interviews that will occur Feb 22-Mar 12.

March 15, 2021 – Offers sent to students, with a request to accept or decline by April 15.

- Online coursework begins May 24; On-campus coursework begins September 7.
- We continue to accept applications and conduct virtual interviews until all spots are filled.

SAA requires at least part-time field experience in higher education or student affairs while enrolled in our program. Please share which of the following best represents your intentions.

To meet the field experience requirement, I intend to:

Keep the higher education / student affairs position that I have listed on my resume.

Seek a part-time graduate assistantship or internship (no separate application required; we will share your resume, statement, and recommendations with the employers you select later in our process).

Other – Please describe:

If you are already working in the field, you can stop here.

If you are seeking a graduate assistant / intern position, please continue below.

Because of uncertainties related to the pandemic, many campuses cannot confirm the availability of funded graduate assistant or intern positions until January 2021. Until then, please review the campuses below and let us know if you would be interested in specific campuses or offices. Not all campuses may have openings, or have openings in all areas, but knowing candidate interests will help us communicate with potential employers. You will be able to update your preferences again later in the admissions process, so please don't feel your choices are binding.

I might consider graduate assistant/intern positions at the following campuses: *(select all that apply)*

- UW La Crosse
- Western Technical College
- Chippewa Valley Technical College (in Eau Claire)
- UW Eau Claire
- UW River Falls
- UW Stout
- UW Stevens Point

I might consider graduate assistant/intern positions in the following areas: *(select all that apply)*

- Academic and/or Career Advising
- Campus Activities (includes student unions, programming, orientation)
- Diversity & Inclusion (includes multicultural centers, LGBTQIA programs, TRIO/Upward Bound, etc.)
- Research (includes McNair Scholars, SAA Dept)
- Residence Life / University Housing
- Student Support (includes Dean of Students, conduct or case management)
- Study Abroad and/or International Student Services
- Student Leadership (includes clubs/orgs, student gov't)