

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 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 2024, 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.

2024 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 all that apply)*

Campus-based hybrid/blended courses at UW La Crosse (fall/spring only - typically taken by those in part-time graduate assistantships and **only offered when there is enough interest to create a full cohort**)

Online asynchronous courses (summer/fall/spring– weekly activity required, but done at whatever time you wish; typically preferred by those already working in higher education)

Online synchronous or blended courses (fall/spring - a combination of live online synchronous meetings and asynchronous content – and could be taken by students in graduate assistant/intern roles AND 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. Send [completed waiver form](#) to admissions@uwlax.edu

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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February 1, 2024 – Priority consideration deadline

- Submit UW Application and transcripts at <http://apply.wisconsin.edu> (no need to upload resume or essay to UW app)
- Submit Resume, personal statement, contacts for references, 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 by January 25**, to ensure adequate time to gain access to the Applicant Dashboard. Reference contacts will be invited to upload letter, due no later than Mar 1.

February 15, 2024 - UWL SAA Virtual Visit Day

- We will host candidates during our Virtual Visit Day on Thursday, Feb. 15 from 11a-2p (Central time).
- At Virtual Visit, candidates may also confirm graduate assistant/intern interviews that will occur virtually late Feb/early Mar.
- Those individuals who are unable to attend on Feb. 15 will have the opportunity to attend an alternative session on Thursday, Feb. 22, from 5:30-8:30 pm (Central time).

March 18, 2024 – Offers sent to students, with a request to accept or decline by March 30 for summer, April 15 for fall.

- Online coursework begins late May; Campus-based hybrid coursework begins early September.
- We continue to accept applications and conduct virtual interviews until all spots are filled.

If selected for an interview:

I can be available for the virtual visit on Feb 15, 2024, from 11a-2p central time, if I am selected to participate.

I will need to attend the alternate interview time on Thursday, Feb 22, 2024, 5:30-8:30 (Central time).

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.

Many campuses cannot confirm the availability of funded graduate assistant or intern positions until late in the application season. 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 know your choices are not binding.

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

UW La Crosse

Western Technical College (in La Crosse)

UW Eau Claire

UW River Falls

UW Stout

UW Stevens Point

Viterbo (in La Crosse)

Other- Please describe:

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, McNair, etc.)

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)