

# 3M | YOUR NEXT STEPS



# HELLO, FUTURE EAGLE!

Follow this guide to stay on track to attend UWL in the fall.

## REGARDING YOUR LETTER OF ADMISSION

Your conditional admission has been granted based on your past academic record and your courses in progress this year.

Final admission is contingent upon:

1. Maintaining your class rank/cumulative grade point average.
2. Successfully completing all of the courses identified on your application for admission. If you are considering changes to your senior year schedule, please email us at [admissions@uwlax.edu](mailto:admissions@uwlax.edu) immediately. Any changes to your senior schedule must be pre-approved and submitted to us in writing.
3. Submission of an official final high school transcript upon graduation, due to the Admissions Office by June 30, 2026.

All admissions communications sent to students are also available in your WINGS Student Center. You can access your letter of admission and other email communications under the Admissions section in WINGS.





## **SCHEDULE YOUR VISIT AT [WWW.UWLAX.EDU/VISIT](http://WWW.UWLAX.EDU/VISIT)**

- Attend a Campus Close-Up: A special day-long event during the school year that introduces students and families to UWL. Learn about academic programs, sit in on a student-led panel, attend a resource fair and take a walking tour of campus.

### 2025-26 Campus Close-Up Dates

Friday, October 17, 2025

Friday, February 20, 2026

Friday, October 24, 2025

Friday, April 24, 2026

Friday, November 7, 2025

- Admissions Information Session: A one-hour presentation given by an admissions counselor that provides an overview of UWL. End your visit with a walking tour of campus led by a current student.
- Individual Appointment: A 45-minute individual appointment with an admissions counselor.
- Walking Tour: A 75-minute comprehensive tour of campus led by a current student.

Please schedule your visit at least two weeks in advance. When you schedule your visit online, you will receive a confirmation email with directions to campus and parking instructions.

## **OUR VALUES**

UW-La Crosse values diversity, equity, and the inclusion and engagement of all people in a safe campus climate that embraces and respects the innumerable different perspectives found within an increasingly integrated and culturally diverse global community.

As you prepare to attend UW-La Crosse, how will you look to advance these values?

# 1 | **Submit Enrollment Deposit**

## ■ Log into your WINGS Student Center

Instructions were sent to the email address you used to apply for admission.

## ■ **Submit the \$100 Enrollment Deposit**

*\*Follow these steps to reserve your place in our freshman class! Enrollment deposits submitted after May 1 will be accepted on a space available basis.*

1. Log into your WINGS Student Center.
2. Under the Finances section, click the blue "Make a Deposit/ Payment" link.
3. Click "Make a Payment" from the top blue menu bar.
4. Click "Enrollment Deposit" on the right side.
5. Choose the appropriate term for your enrollment deposit (for example, select "Enrollment Deposit Fall 2026" if you plan to begin in the Fall 2026 semester).

We recommend you utilize the "e-check" payment method to avoid any convenience fees. To request a deferral for economic hardship or inability to pay, please contact the Admissions Office at 608.785.8939.

# 2 | **Apply for Housing**

## ■ **Apply for On-Campus Housing**

After receipt of the \$100 enrollment deposit, information on how to apply for on-campus housing will be sent via USPS mail from the Admissions Office. Additionally, you will receive an email from the Office of Residence Life letting you know that the housing application is available for you to complete. This is an important step and should be completed early as housing is considered on a first-come, first-served basis. Students who do not apply for housing or have an approved exemption by May 31, 2026 may not be able to attend UWL for the fall semester.

# 3 | **Future Steps**

- After completion of your senior year, request that your high school send your official final high school transcript to the Admissions Office by June 30.
- If you would like your test score included on your academic record, please make sure to have your highest official ACT or SAT score sent to the Admissions Office. Scores can be sent through [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) or [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) (ACT code: 4672, SAT code: 1914).
- Official transcripts for AP, CLEP, IB, or college courses must be sent directly to the Admissions Office.

## 4 | Finances

### ■ Apply for Financial Aid

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available beginning in October at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov). The Federal School code for UWL is 003919. You will need your completed Federal Income Tax information in order to complete the FAFSA. It is recommended that families use the "IRS Data Retrieval Option" when completing the income information sections of the FAFSA online.

UWL's priority date is February 1 for consideration of all types of aid; however, applications are accepted throughout the academic year. You can utilize the Financial Aid Calculator to estimate the amount of financial aid you might receive: [www.uwlax.edu/finaid/info/cost-to-attend/](http://www.uwlax.edu/finaid/info/cost-to-attend/).

### ■ Apply for UWL Foundation Scholarships

Scholarships are available through the UWL Alumni & Friends Foundation and have an application deadline of February 1. Information regarding scholarship opportunities can be found at [uwlax.academicworks.com](http://uwlax.academicworks.com).

### ■ Merit-Based Scholarships

Students admitted by our priority application date of February 1 will be considered for incoming freshman merit-based scholarships. There is no separate application to apply. Scholarship award notices will be mailed beginning in the late fall and continue through spring.

### ■ Apply for Tuition Reciprocity

Minnesota residents can apply online for tuition reciprocity after April 1 at [mnaid.guarantorsolutions.com/StudentPortal/Login](http://mnaid.guarantorsolutions.com/StudentPortal/Login).



*As a first-generation, low-income student, my journey through UWL – fueled by scholarships, faculty mentorship, and public service work – shows what's possible with support.*

**Justin Poley**





**UWL was where I first began truly living life to the fullest. After developing a life-threatening medical condition during my sophomore year, I realized that academic success must be balanced with leading a life of meaning beyond the classroom.**

**Kacie O'Hearn**

*Applied Statistics*





## 5 | Placement Tests

### ■ Take Universities of Wisconsin Placement Tests

In February, you will be mailed information about required English and math placement tests and an optional World Language exam. These tests are offered from March through May.

Placement tests are required for all new students planning to enroll at UWL; regardless of credit earned as it will allow you the greatest selection of courses during the START program.

Placement test scores are part of your student record and are used by your advisor to plan your course schedule. Students without placement test scores may not be able to enroll in math, English, or some language and science courses.

## 6 | START

### ■ Sign up for START by May 31, 2026

All students who have submitted the \$100 enrollment deposit will be mailed information in April regarding START (STudent Advising, Registration, and Transition), the on-campus program in June to register for fall semester classes. The mailed information will contain dates and sign up instructions. Students who do not register for START by the deadline may not be able to attend the program and therefore, may not be able to attend UWL for the fall semester.



## 7 | Email

### ■ Check your UWL Email Account

You will receive an email with instructions on how to access your UWL email account in May. Instructions will be sent to the email address you used to apply for admission.

*Note: If you used your current high school email address to apply for admission, please contact the Admissions Office to update it. High school email addresses are often deactivated after graduation.*





## ADDITIONAL STEPS THAT MAY APPLY TO YOU

- Have you earned any college credit during high school?

If yes, you must request that an official transcript be sent from the college or university that granted credit for transfer credit consideration. Additionally, students should send official Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), or CLEP scores to the Admissions Office. We recommend you have the transcript sent as soon as possible so we can add this information to your academic record and your advisor is therefore aware of transfer credit at START.

- Do you need information about disability related services?

Please visit [www.uwlax.edu/uwlax.edu/disability-resource-center](http://www.uwlax.edu/uwlax.edu/disability-resource-center). To request accommodations, contact the Disability Resource Center at 608.785.6900.

Accommodation requests related to on-campus housing must begin with the Disability Resource Center and be submitted before May 1 for consideration in the housing assignment process.

- Apply for Veteran Benefits

If you would like information regarding veteran or military-related benefits or have questions about applying for Federal and State VA benefits, please contact our Veteran and Military Connection Office at 608.785.8631 or [uwlveted@uwlax.edu](mailto:uwlveted@uwlax.edu).

- Request Military Transcripts

Students at UWL may earn credit for the completion of basic training and advanced individual training. The Joint Services Transcript (JST) or the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF/AirU) are the basic documents used to evaluate transfer credits. Army/Navy/Marine Corps/Coast Guard/Space Force: To request an official copy of your transcript, please visit the Joint Services Transcript site. Air Force enlisted personnel will continue to receive their official professional military education transcript from the Community College of the Air Force.

## SUMMER BEFORE FIRST SEMESTER

- Hall and Roommate Assignments begin in June. Students are notified of their hall and roommate assignments via UWL student email. Move-in instructions will also be sent to your UWL student email address in July.
- You will register for fall courses at START, our freshman registration program, in June. Sign-up for START occurs on a first-come, first served basis; therefore, you will have the most date options to select from if you sign up for the event as soon as you receive the mailed event information in spring. Attendance at this on-campus event is **required** to sign up for fall classes.
- Move-In and New Student Orientation are scheduled for Labor Day weekend and then followed by Welcome Week activities. Freshman move-in begins Wednesday, September 2 and ends Saturday, September 5. Fall semester classes begin on Tuesday, September 8.



## SHARE YOUR SUCCESS!

Tell your friends and family about your achievement by tagging @UWL and @UWLAdmissions in a photo or using #UWLBOUND and #FutureEagle. We can't wait to see your pictures!

## SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

UW-La Crosse believes that promoting and celebrating diversity is not only the right thing to do, but a key factor in the continued success of our university. Racism, discrimination and other forms of hate have no place on our campus or in our community. We are committed to building and maintaining a community where all people feel safe, welcome and valued. With this in mind, UWL's Bias Support and Education Team is compelled to review and respond to cases in which members of our university (faculty, staff and students) use offensive speech or behavior, including on personal social media.







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