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ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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OUR STUDENT BODY COMES FROM:

- 36 states
- 30 countries
- 79% Wisconsin residents

FAR FROM ORDINARY

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GRADUATE: 935

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At UWL, our School of Education, Professional and Continuing Education is unique in that it represents a collection of Teacher Education programs housed in a variety of departments and colleges across campus. Held in highest esteem by the Higher Learning Commission and by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, we provide a strong general education program, high-quality major and minor studies and multiple-level field experiences. If you’ve been dreaming of becoming a teacher, UWL is the best place to develop your passion and begin training for your career.

A global perspective is fundamental to understanding the world of business today—and that is precisely what you get at UWL. Since 1982, the College of Business Administration has been a member of an elite club to which only five percent of business schools worldwide belong. Professionally accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB International), the college helps our graduates develop an extraordinary foundation from which to launch their careers. Our comprehensive undergraduate outcome assessments, measuring critical knowledge and understanding, have been recognized for improving student learning. We place special emphasis on emerging technologies as well as social and environmental responsibility.

A GIFT HAS ESTABLISHED THE MENARD FAMILY MIDWEST INITIATIVE FOR ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT AND RESEARCH

$21.1 MILLION
Home to some of the finest performances, festivals and exhibits in the region, the School of Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) is a staple to the La Crosse culture. Students pursue their passions in the visual arts, music and theatre whether earning a degree or engaging in the many academic course offerings in the VPA.

The internationally awarded theatre arts program boasts graduates who have found rewarding careers both on and behind stage in professional theatres and prime time TV shows. On-campus art exhibits reflect the artistic pursuits of majors and minors who receive opportunities to explore the six areas of studio concentration in the Department of Art. Presenting 60+ performances annually, the Department of Music allows musicians from all over campus to continue performing in our regionally-recognized ensembles alongside music majors who complete music degree programs accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music.

The School of VPA contributes profoundly to the cultural richness and diversity at UWL. Whether seeking a rewarding career or the opportunity to explore the arts, the VPA welcomes students from the entire campus community!

The College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities offers degrees in social sciences, humanities, communication and interdisciplinary studies. Here students learn to be global citizens in an increasingly complex world where the ability to process information dynamically, think clearly and communicate effectively are imperative. Hands-on learning experiences are at the heart of an education within the College of Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities. The college has cultivated an environment where opportunities for student research, scholarship and creative endeavors collide.
Spanning the diverse disciplines of science, health, and mathematics, the College of Science and Health has earned an outstanding reputation for excellence among competing institutions. UW-L’s Physics Department is widely recognized as one of the best in the nation, regularly attracting Nobel Prize–winning guest lecturers.

The Department of Exercise and Sport Science has offered cutting-edge programs taught by renowned faculty for over a century, with one-to-one mentoring as a cornerstone of student success. The college is strongly committed to undergraduate, graduate, and faculty research, giving students unique opportunities to contribute to the creation of knowledge.

The University of Wisconsin-La Crosse is a huge proponent of research and of scholarly and creative activities by students in all academic disciplines. We believe putting classroom knowledge into practice through rigorous research allows students to develop lifelong skills that will help them excel in their future careers.

We will work with you to identify areas of interest and find a mentor to get you started. We will help you fund your research, present your findings, and publish your work. The Office of Undergraduate Research and Creativity even publishes a yearly journal showcasing the intellectual strides made by UW-L students over the course of the year. Make the most of your time here by diving into the world of research.

98% AVERAGE PASS RATE IN PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMS

93% OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN AT LEAST ONE HIGH IMPACT PRACTICE, SUCH AS UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OR SERVICE LEARNING PROJECTS

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At UW-La Crosse, diversity and inclusion are integral to the achievement of excellence. It is our belief that the incorporation of diversity and inclusion can enhance the university’s ability to accomplish our academic mission. Through the implementation of Inclusive Excellence, UWL pledges to continue to commit human and financial resources that support an inclusive campus that attracts and retains diverse students, faculty and staff and promotes a dynamic learning environment vital for academic excellence and global citizenship.

Your transition from military to university life should be as seamless as possible. The Veteran Educational Benefits Office assists veterans, service members and their family members in applying for and receiving veteran education benefits while connecting you to campus and community resources. The Veterans Center in the Student Union provides a relaxing place for veterans, service members and their family members to meet, study and connect. UWL’s Army ROTC Battalion was recently recognized as best in the Midwest’s 3rd brigade.
Long after your coursework is complete and your time in college has come to an end, it’ll be the close friendships you develop that endure. So surround yourself with an extraordinary mix of people at UWL. With more than 200 student organizations, it’s easy to get involved. Work to make a difference through the Leadership and Involvement Center. Challenge your own beliefs and hear what others have to say. Or make a difference by joining the UWL Student Association, the official campus-wide student governance group. From Cheese Club to Archery Club to Habitat for Humanity, there is a student organization for you!
“It’s easy to try and replicate the comforts of life in the United States (meals times, foods you eat, people you talk to) but I found it so rewarding to talk to new people, be spontaneous, and really immerse myself in the Spanish lifestyle.”

Sarah Fenn

Fewer than five percent of college students in the United States participate in an education abroad program. In a typical year at UW-La Crosse, about 15 percent of students benefit from this valuable life experience. The International Education and Engagement (IEE) Office is a campus and community resource that supports student success by facilitating these global experiences. IEE makes it easy for students to earn credit while developing a cross-cultural understanding and perspective.

Financial aid, scholarships, and grants are available for students who wish to participate in an education abroad program. IEE’s advisors help students work through essential details for an education of a lifetime. Oh, and by the way, a semester abroad really stands out on a résumé!

For some students, an internship is the ultimate way to explore a career. For others, an internship is a great way to gain relevant experience that will make them a stronger candidate for employment after graduation. Others appreciate the opportunity to earn academic credit or get paid for their internship.

UW-La Crosse students participate in internships in all disciplinary areas: From Kwik Trip’s national headquarters to The Late Show, our students have secured coveted internships with esteemed organizations. Our students often obtain clinical internships through our local and nationally acclaimed hospitals – Gundersen Health System and Mayo Health System.
Whether you aim to compete at the highest levels or just for fun, you’re sure to find an activity that fuels your passion. Intramural Sports is the most popular extracurricular activity on campus, offering team, dual and individual leagues in which participants compete for the coveted intramural champion t-shirt. Another great way to keep your competitive spirit alive is to participate in one of our 20 sport clubs.

UWL’s facilities can’t be beat. One of the most active buildings on campus is Mitchell Hall, home to all things exercise and sport-related, including health education, camps and clinics, intercollegiate athletics and much more. The gymnasium seats 2,880 spectators and the pool remains one of the fastest racing pools in the conference.

Roger Harring Stadium at Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex seats 6,250 raucous football fans every home game.

A new student fieldhouse is located east of Roger Harring Stadium at Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex. The fieldhouse includes a 200-meter competition indoor track with all sport surface infield and space for a minimum of 1,500 spectators.

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Fitness and recreation are at the heart of our university. Here you’ll find a climbing wall, 200-meter indoor track, basketball courts, volleyball courts, racquetball courts, fitness center, aerobics room, conditioning room, multi-activity court (MAC), outdoor equipment rentals and the EZONE Esports & Gaming Center.

Sign up for an instructor-led cardio class. Harness up and learn proper belaying techniques. Work with a certified personal trainer. Or, rent a kayak for a day.

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APPLY ONLINE USING THE UW SYSTEM APPLICATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION AT APPLY.WISCONSIN.EDU AND SUBMIT YOUR NONREFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE, HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT AND ACT/SAT SCORES (OPTIONAL).

If admitted, submit your $100 enrollment deposit (refundable until May 1) to secure your place in the freshman class and to become eligible to sign up for on-campus housing. Deposits are paid through the WINGS Student Center at uwlax.edu/wings. Enrollment deposits submitted after May 1 will be accepted on a space-available basis.

Visit the admitted student webpage at uwlax.edu/admissions/next-steps/admitted-new-freshman/ to guide you through enrollment.

You will receive information about on-campus housing after submitting your $100 enrollment deposit.

APPLY FOR NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID USING THE FAFSA (STUDENTAID.GOV). SUBMITTED INCOME TAX RECORDS ARE NEEDED TO COMPLETE THIS FORM. PRIORITY DATE IS FEBRUARY 1; HOWEVER, APPLICATIONS ARE CONSIDERED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGH THE UWL FOUNDATION (UWLAX.ACADEMICWORKS.COM) BY FEBRUARY 1.

TAKE THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN PLACEMENT TESTS IN ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS AND AN OPTIONAL FOREIGN LANGUAGE. TESTS ARE OFFERED BEGINNING IN MARCH.

I F YOU ARE A RESIDENT OF MINNESOTA, FILE FOR TUITION RECIPROCITY ONLINE AFTER MARCH 1 AT OHE.STATE.MN.US.

ATTEND START (STUDENT ADVISING, REGISTRATION, AND TRANSITION). INFORMATION WILL BE MAILED IN APRIL TO ALL STUDENTS WHO HAVE SUBMITTED THE $100 ENROLLMENT DEPOSIT. START TAKES PLACE IN JUNE.

AF ter graduation, have your high school send an official final transcript to our Admissions Office. Also send Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate scores. If you have college credits, request that an official transcript be sent from the crediting institution. Be sure to send all transcripts before START!

WATCH YOUR UWL EMAIL IN JUNE FOR HOUSING AND ROOMMATE ASSIGNMENTS. PACK FOR UWL.

MOVE IN OVER LABOR DAY WEEKEND AND EXPLORE NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION AND WELCOME WEEK ACTIVITIES.

NOTE: FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSIONS, PLEASE VISIT UWLAX.EDU/APPLY/INTERNATIONAL.
TRANSFER ADMISSION GUIDELINES

We welcome applicants who wish to transfer from other colleges, universities or two-year institutions. All applicants for admission will receive a comprehensive review. Academic preparation is the primary criterion used in the admissions review process. We also consider extracurricular involvement, demonstrated leadership, essays, recommendations and potential to add a diverse dimension to our campus community.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Students transferring from a UW System Campus with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Students transferring from a UW System Campus with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 and 18 transferable credits are encouraged to apply.
- Students who were not admissible as freshmen must have earned at least 18 transferable credits to be considered for transfer admission.

Please note: Admission to UWL does not ensure admission to specific degree programs. All transfer students must meet the same criteria as incoming freshmen.

TRANSFER ADMISSION PROCESS

- Applications for Spring 2024 are accepted beginning April 1, 2023.
- Applications for Fall 2024 are accepted beginning August 1, 2023.
- Applications are considered on a rolling basis. When we have reached a maximum number of transfer students per term, admission will close.
- Apply online using the UW System application for undergraduate admission at apply.wisconsin.edu and submit your nonrefundable application fee and appropriate supporting documents: high school transcript, official college transcript(s) and a list of current courses in progress.
- If admitted, the Admissions Office will evaluate the courses you completed to determine your classification as a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior.
- Once complete, you will receive an email confirming that you can review your transfer credit report online using the WINGS Student Center.
- Apply for need-based financial aid using the FAFSA (studentaid.gov).
- UW System Placement Testing may be required to enroll in English, mathematics and foreign language.
- Attend Transfer Resources and Engagement Kickoff (TREK). Invitations will be sent to all admitted students.
- If you are a resident of Minnesota, file for tuition reciprocity online after March 1 at www.state.mn.us/transfer.
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TRANSFER CREDIT

- Transfer Wisconsin wisconsin.edu/transfer
- Transfer Wisconsin is the result of a collaborative effort by the UW System and the Wisconsin Technical College System to help students transfer between all public, post-secondary institutions in the State of Wisconsin.
- The Transfer Wisconsin website offers tools and a wealth of resources for you to take the next steps toward enrollment at UWL.
- Transferology transferology.com
- Transferology is a nationwide network designed to help students answer the question of how their courses will transfer. Simply enter your courses to find equivalent courses at UWL, or use the Transferology site to inform UWL about coursework that has not yet been evaluated. Create a free user account and get started with discovering how your courses will transfer to UWL.

STUDENT TUITION AND FEES

**ESTIMATED 2023-24 UNDERGRADUATE COST OF ATTENDANCE**

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**FINANCIAL AID**

- We are committed to providing the information you need to pursue your goals and make the most of all available financial resources. Using the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), the Financial Aid Office determines each student’s eligibility for need-based financial aid from federal, state and institutional sources. If applying for financial aid, the FAFSA application is available online at studentaid.gov.

**STUDENT AID**

- You will need your completed federal income tax information to complete the FAFSA. The priority date is February 1 for consideration of all types of need-based aid, however, applications are accepted throughout the academic year.

**FINANCIAL AID QUESTIONS?**

- 608.785.8604 FINAID@UWLAX.EDU

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

**MERIT-BASED:** Upon admission, student applications are reviewed for these academically competitive scholarships. To be considered, applications for admission must be submitted by February 1.
- FOUNDATION: Through the generosity of our donors, scholarships are available through the UW Foundation. Go to uwlax.academicworks.com for application materials and apply by February 1.
- OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIP DATABASE: The UW Scholarship Resource Center provides scholarship information for future UWU students. Go to uwlax.edu/scholarships for more information.

**MSEP AND NONRESIDENT PROGRAMS**

UW-La Crosse participates in the Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP). This academically competitive program allows select new freshmen who are Indiana, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota or Ohio residents to be considered for merit-based tuition reductions. "Return to Wisconsin" is a nonresident scholarship program designed for nonresident children of Wisconsin alumni.

**FOR MORE THAN A DECADE UW-L HAS BEEN NAMED ONE OF KIPLINGER’S 100 BEST VALUES IN PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES**

**STUDENT AID AND FEES INCLUDE**

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

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