

Fall 2026 Second Degree Student Your next steps

Fall 2026 classes begin on September 8, 2026

HELLO FUTURE EAGLE!

REGARDING YOUR LETTER OF ADMISSION

Your admission to UW-La Crosse has been granted based on your past academic record and your courses in progress this year. Final admission is contingent upon receipt of updated transcripts as may apply to you:

- **By January 30:** Official transcript with fall 2025 grades and spring 2026 courses in progress
- **By July 1:** Final official transcript with spring 2026 grades
- **By August 28:** Final official transcript with summer 2026 grades
If you are taking summer session courses elsewhere, we must receive an official transcript with spring semester grades by July 1 and a final official transcript with summer session grades by August 28.

Poor academic performance in your most recent semester of completed coursework may result in your admissions being rescinded, and incomplete transcripts will delay your enrollment. If you have an established grade point average, it is our expectation that you will maintain this grade point average.

Certain undergraduate programs are highly selective, and applicants must meet additional requirements for entrance into a program. Your letter of admission to the university does not guarantee admission into a specific program of study.

1 | **WINGS** wings.uwlax.edu

Shortly after you applied for admission you received an email from the UW-La Crosse Admissions Office which contained information about your NetID/WINGS username and password. This information will allow you to log into your WINGS Student Center where you can:

- Monitor receipt of required materials on the "To Do List"
- Update personal information
- View your financial aid package
- View your transfer credit report
- Register for classes and view class schedules
- Access communications

If you have misplaced your NetID/WINGS username or password, use the WINGS password recovery at www.uwlax.edu/info/password-reset.

If you are having technical difficulties, contact the Eagle Help Desk at 608.785.8774.

If you have questions regarding the information displayed in your WINGS Student Center after you have successfully logged in, contact the Admissions Office.

A NOTE ABOUT ADVISING & REGISTRATION

In March we will mail out information about advising and registration. You will not meet with an Admissions Office staff member for advising, rather with an academic advisor from the College you are assigned (see your admission letter if you are unsure).

If you wish to contact an advisor earlier, please refer to the Consult Your Dean's Office section in on the next page.

2 | CONSULT YOUR DEAN'S OFFICE

As a second degree student, you will not receive a complete credit evaluation. You will need to consult with the Dean's Office for the College to which you are assigned (see letter of admission) to determine which courses you need to complete to earn your second undergraduate degree:

- College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities | 608.785.8113
- College of Business Administration | 608.785.8090
- College of Science and Health | 608.785.8218
- School of Education | 608.785.8134

Additionally, students who have graduated from a regionally accredited institution other than UW-La Crosse must meet all core, professional, diversity and major requirements for the second degree, and earn at least 30 resident credits beyond the first degree. You will work with the appropriate academic services director/academic advisor to determine program specific requirements.

3 | FINANCES

■ Know your cost to attend

Estimate your college cost at uwlax.edu/cost.

■ Apply for Financial Aid

The 2026-27 FAFSA application is available online after December 2024 at studentaid.gov. The Federal School code for UWL is 003919. FAFSA will use your completed 2025 Federal Income Tax information in order to complete the application. UWL's priority date is February 1 for consideration of all types of aid; however, applications are accepted throughout the academic year.

NOTE: Second degree students will also have to complete the Financial Aid for Second Degree Candidates form on your "To Do List" in WINGS.

■ Apply for Tuition Reciprocity

Minnesota residents can apply online for tuition reciprocity after March 1 at www.ohe.state.mn.us/

4 | ADDITIONAL STEPS if applicable

■ Disability-Related Services

The Disability Resource Center coordinates disability-related accommodations for students with disabilities at UWL. If you need academic, housing, dining, and/or other disability accommodations contact the Disability Resource Center via phone 608.785.6900, email drc@uwlax.edu or you can visit uwlax.edu/disability-resource-center.

■ Apply for Veteran Benefits

Veterans Affairs (VA) is the approving eligibility authority, and the process begins with the Veteran (or person acting on behalf of) connecting with the VA. VA student hotline at 888.442.4551.

Apply for Federal VA Benefits: va.gov/education/how-to-apply/ | **Federal Benefits** - Enrollment request via UWL (must be done by the student prior to every semester; select "Cert Request" in the middle of the page): uwlax.edu/veteran-services | **State Benefits:** applications.dva.wisconsin.gov/mywisvets --> Register/Login --> Verify Email --> Eligibility Matrix button at top.

For additional information regarding veteran or military-related benefits or questions about applying for Federal and State VA benefits, please refer to the UWL Veterans Page: uwlax.edu/veteran-and-military-connection/ or contact our Veteran & Military Connection Office at uwlveted@uwlax.edu

■ Request Military Transcripts

Students at UWL may earn credit for the completion of basic training and advanced individual training. Military service school credit may be granted based upon recommendations of the American Council on Education. Generally, we accept credit for baccalaureate courses. Credit for military coursework beyond advanced individual training will not be accepted.

The Joint Services Transcript (JST) or the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) are the basic documents used to evaluate transfer credits.

Army/Navy/Marine Corps/Coast Guard should request an official copy of your transcript from the JST site.

Air Force enlisted personnel will continue to receive their official professional military education transcript from the CCAF.