



Parent Program  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON



2014-2015  
Calendar & Handbook for Badger Families

# WISCONSIN



*A Welcome from Chancellor Rebecca Blank*

## Welcome to the UW family!

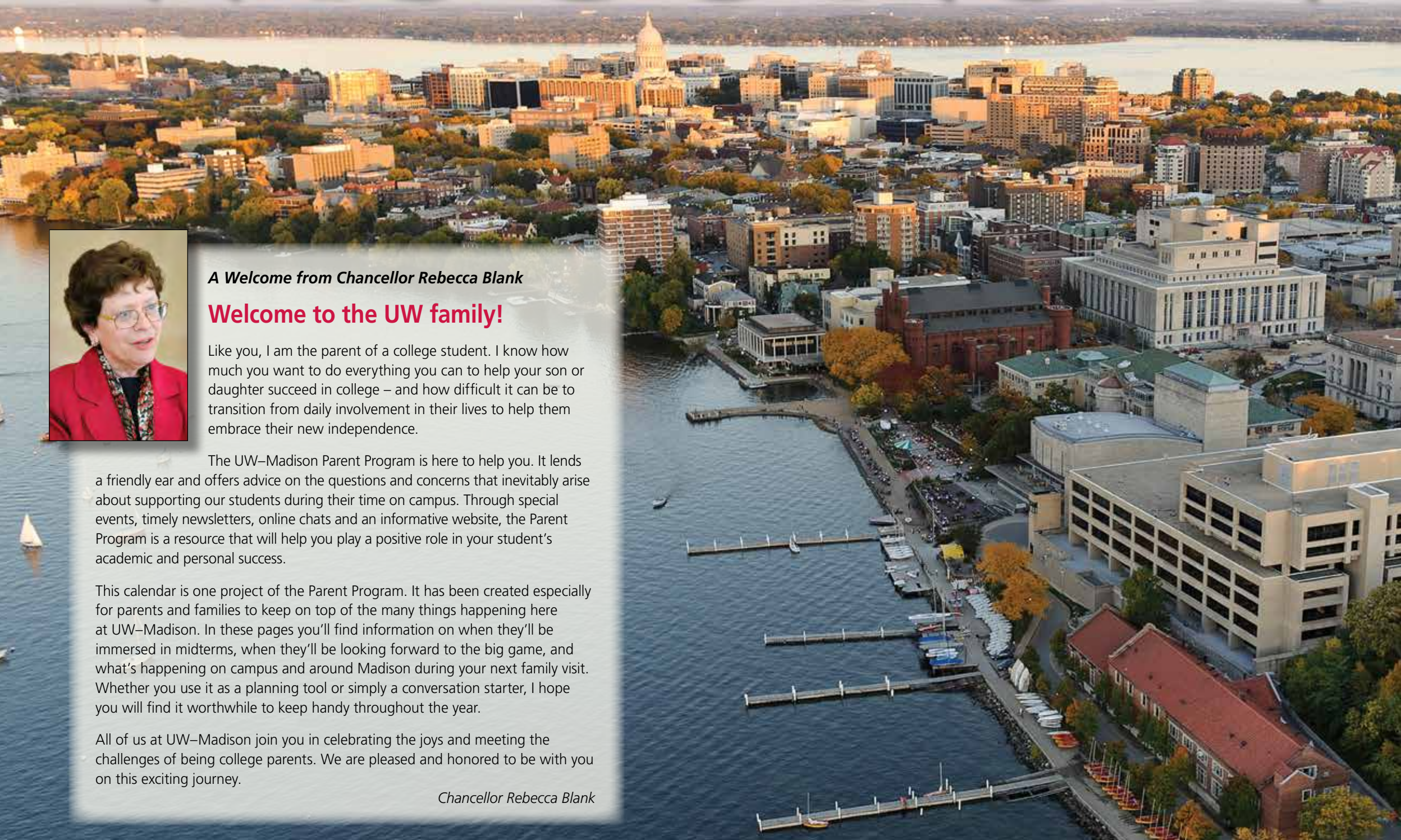
Like you, I am the parent of a college student. I know how much you want to do everything you can to help your son or daughter succeed in college – and how difficult it can be to transition from daily involvement in their lives to help them embrace their new independence.

The UW–Madison Parent Program is here to help you. It lends a friendly ear and offers advice on the questions and concerns that inevitably arise about supporting our students during their time on campus. Through special events, timely newsletters, online chats and an informative website, the Parent Program is a resource that will help you play a positive role in your student's academic and personal success.

This calendar is one project of the Parent Program. It has been created especially for parents and families to keep on top of the many things happening here at UW–Madison. In these pages you'll find information on when they'll be immersed in midterms, when they'll be looking forward to the big game, and what's happening on campus and around Madison during your next family visit. Whether you use it as a planning tool or simply a conversation starter, I hope you will find it worthwhile to keep handy throughout the year.

All of us at UW–Madison join you in celebrating the joys and meeting the challenges of being college parents. We are pleased and honored to be with you on this exciting journey.

*Chancellor Rebecca Blank*



# Welcome



The Parent Program staff consists of Stephanie Benson-Gonzales (left) and Patti Lux-Weber (right), in addition to experienced student interns.

## Dear Badger Parent,

Welcome to the University of Wisconsin–Madison campus community! We share your excitement in anticipation of this new academic year. Your student’s time here will be a unique journey filled with many new experiences, successes, and challenges. Your student will discover his or her place on campus, creating a Wisconsin Experience that will prepare him or her for the future.

At UW–Madison, we recognize that parents are valuable partners in a student’s success. You will be your student’s greatest coach and mentor as he or she embarks on this exciting adventure. Research continues to show that family involvement is critical to the success of college students. We encourage you to participate, while you also encourage your student to progressively take on more responsibility.

This calendar and handbook is our gift to you. We hope that it helps you stay connected to campus and serves as an important resource for you and your family. You will find important dates and information regarding the transition to college and the milestones your student may be experiencing. The handbook section features important contact information, key resources, and a section for parents of first-year students. We encourage you to use this information to help your student take advantage of all that UW–Madison has to offer. You will receive a new calendar each year by mail until your student graduates.

The Parent Program is committed to offering personalized service to help you navigate our campus and community. We provide:

- Phone (1-877-262-3977), e-mail ([parent@uwmad.wisc.edu](mailto:parent@uwmad.wisc.edu)), and chat services for questions and concerns
- A comprehensive and dynamic website ([www.parent.wisc.edu](http://www.parent.wisc.edu))
- The *Badger Parent* e-newsletter, published five times per year, featuring articles targeted to a student’s year in school
- A parent-notice system, used to deliver critical information by email
- Event opportunities such as Parents’ Weekend in September and Badger Family Spring Visit in April, showcasing our campus and offering events for the entire family
- Multi-language services, including a Spanish-language e-mail service as well as a Chinese-language web page
- A Facebook page and group, where parents can ask questions and share experiences
- Topic-based web chats, with answers from campus experts

By attending SOAR, you are automatically a member of the Parent Program. To sign up additional family members, visit our website.

We look forward to being a resource for you while your student is at UW–Madison. On behalf of the Parent Program staff, I wish you and your student a successful year.

Best wishes,

*Patti Lux-Weber*

Patti Lux-Weber  
Parent Program Coordinator

## Parent Program Goals for Parents


1. Parents recognize their important role as a mentor and coach. They help their students progressively take on more responsibility for their academics, out-of-the-classroom experiences, and all other aspects of their lives.
2. Parents have an open dialogue with their student about ways to promote personal health and balance, including coping with stress, alcohol/drugs, nutrition, sleep, exercise, and relationships. They empower their student to identify problems, develop a plan, and work toward solutions independently.
3. Parents understand that there are limitations regarding access to specific student information as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).
4. Parents know about and take advantage of opportunities to engage with the campus and surrounding community.
5. Parents generate goodwill for the university by helping spread the word about the resources and discoveries at UW–Madison, which impact both their student and society at large. They advocate for personal, state, and federal investments in higher education.





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In a scene repeated across the campus, the first day of class gets underway in Agricultural Hall.

# August 2014

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## Did You Know?

In fall 2013, UW–Madison offered 43 service-learning courses and students contributed nearly 73,000 hours of service to the community. Research shows that service learning has a high impact on academic performance, student retention, and graduation rates.



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## What's Happening with Your Student

Students are thinking about their new fall living arrangements. If your student is living in a shared living environment, discuss how shared responsibilities (paying bills, cleaning, and other duties) will be worked out. How are new living arrangements going to change budget needs?

Many students living off campus will be moving around August 15. This is a very hectic time period, and students appreciate help with moving and storage.

Most students are adjusting to life in a new living situation and, for some, in a new city or state. Returning students who were home for the summer may be relieved to resume their independent college lifestyle and reconnect with friends, while others may soon miss home. Talk with your student about plans to stay in touch during the semester. If your student is living in University Housing, encourage him or her to complete a roommate agreement form with his or her House Fellow.

Students are preparing for fall classes. They should log into the My UW Student Center to update their contact information, check residence for tuition status, and access their class schedule and print out a PinPoint map of where their classes will occur. They also begin purchasing textbooks and other course materials.



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Eight-week general summer session ends

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First-quarter Housing payment due (Sept. 8 if paying with financial aid)

Fall-term eligibility begins for University Health Services

SHIP (Student Health Insurance Plan) fall/annual coverage period begins

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Financial aid refunds begin next week; is your student enrolled for eREFUND?

Deadline to complete AlcoholEdu before registration hold

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Financial Aid begins applying to student Tuition Accounts

Student eREFUNDS start processing daily

Paper checks for Parent PLUS loans and for students not enrolled in eREFUNDS begin processing weekly

Move-in for all University Residence Halls (Aug. 27–28)

Wisconsin Welcome begins

Tuition eBills available for students and Authorized Payers

Chancellor's Convocation Night at the Overture

Taste of Madison (Aug. 30–31)

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Summer health fee eligibility ends at University Health Services



It's a sea of red at Camp Randall Stadium as fans cheer on the football Badgers. *USA Today* named Madison "America's Best College Football Town" in 2012.

# September 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Last day to cancel enrollment without transcript record Labor Day (no classes)	2 Instruction begins	3	4 Union South Bash Photo Shoot with Bucky	5 Multicultural Orientation and Reception (MCOR) Late initial enrollment fee applies after this date	6 Home Football UW vs. Western Illinois
7 Ford Wisconsin Ironman competition	8 First-quarter Housing payment due if paying with financial aid	9	10 Last day to drop courses or withdraw without notation on transcript	11 Student Organization Fair	12 International Academic Programs (Study Abroad) First-Year Student Welcome Last day to add courses Last day for 100% tuition adjustment on dropped classes	13
14 SHIP (Student Health Insurance Plan) fall/annual open enrollment deadline	15 Transfer Student Welcome Dinner	16	17 Study Abroad Fair	18	19 Tuition due for fall term Second-quarter Housing bill published Parents' Weekend (Sept. 19–21) Complete "Tonight" before registration hold	20 Home Football UW vs. Bowling Green
21	22	23 First day of fall	24 Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown	25 Navaratri begins (Sept. 25–Oct. 3)	26 Last day for 50% tuition adjustment on dropped classes Last day to apply for pass/fail privilege Last day to convert a course from credit to audit	27 Home Football UW vs. South Florida
28	29	30 Fall Public Service Fair	<p><b>Did You Know?</b> UW–Madison ranked among the top 20 universities in the world for the third year in a row in the Academic Ranking of World Universities in 2013—the highest in the Big Ten.</p> 			

## What's Happening with Your Student

Students are presented with hundreds of ways to get involved, including student organizations, fraternities and sororities, intramural sports, jobs, and volunteer opportunities. Involved students tend to do better academically. Talk with your student about how he or she is getting involved.

Students focus on study skills and time management as they adapt to a new schedule and course requirements. Encourage your student to use campus resources and to get to know his or her teaching assistants and professors by taking advantage of office hours.

Alcohol use may increase at this time of year. As a parent, you can influence your student's choices. Have an honest conversation with your student about alcohol—encourage responsibility and moderation. Remember that the legal drinking age in Wisconsin is 21.

Issues with roommates may arise. Talk with your student about compromise and community living. See the *First-Year Experience* section at the back of the calendar for more information.

Career and internship on-campus recruiting begins at the end of the month. Encourage your student to attend the Fall Career and Internship Fair to build a professional network.



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Autumn leaves blanket the UW–Madison Arboretum. Thousands of people—including bikers, hikers, birders, photographers, and skiers—visit its 1,260 acres throughout the seasons.



# October 2014

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## Did You Know?

Kristyn Masters, associate professor of biomedical engineering, is also the faculty director for the Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) residential learning community. WISE improves graduation rates by providing academic resources and mentoring connections.



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					Yom Kippur begins at sundown Hajj begins	
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Eid-al-Adha			Sukkot begins at sundown			Home Football UW vs. Illinois National Coming Out Day
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Homecoming Week (Oct. 19–25)	Second-quarter Housing payment due	Majors Fair		Diwali begins	Homecoming Parade	Homecoming Home Football UW vs. Maryland Islamic New Year Alhijrah
26	27	28	29	30	31	
					Last day to drop fall courses Halloween	

## What's Happening with Your Student

Students experience their first semester of midterms and papers. A healthy diet, exercise, sufficient sleep, and a balance of work and play are all great ways to keep stress levels low. Ask how your student is balancing extra-curricular activities with academic responsibilities.

Many students start discussing next year's living arrangements and may feel pressured to sign a lease soon. Encourage your student to take time in making this important decision. Although some vacancies for next fall may be advertised as early as October, the most selection and choice of available off-campus housing is available November through February. Also, many students take advantage of returning to University Housing. For more information about housing options, see the *Resources* section at the back of the calendar.

Students will soon receive information about course enrollment dates for spring semester. For more information, see the *Resources* section at the back of the calendar.



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From its vantage point atop Bascom Hill, the Abraham Lincoln statue overlooks the illuminated dome of the Wisconsin State Capitol.

# November 2014

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## Did You Know?

*Kiplinger's Personal Finance* ranked UW–Madison eighth among its 100 best values in public colleges in December 2013. Two months later, UW–Madison was named one of the nation's best values in higher education by *Princeton Review*, placing in the top 75 of Best Value Public Schools.



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## What's Happening with Your Student

Students may get sick for the first time this semester as cold and flu season begins. Remind your student to get a free flu shot, provided by University Health Services. See the *Resources* section at the back of the calendar for more information about University Health Services.

The term is coming to an end, and students may be feeling pressure to complete papers and projects. Some students who may have fallen behind will pull "all nighters" to get the work done. Encourage your student to try to get eight hours of sleep, but realize that four or five hours is better than none at all. This is a great time to send your student a card, photos, gift basket, or other greetings.

Students are starting to think about Thanksgiving recess. Many students go home, while some remain on campus. Talk with your student about plans for the upcoming break and how he or she plans to travel home.

Encourage your student to speak to his or her advisor and explore scholarship opportunities throughout the year on the Scholarships@UW–Madison website ([scholarships.wisc.edu](http://scholarships.wisc.edu)). Scholarships are generally based on academic merit, outstanding ability in a particular field, and, in some cases, financial need.



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Election Day

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Enrollment begins for spring term

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Home Football  
UW vs. Nebraska

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Can withdraw without repayment of aid for fall term

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Last day to withdraw without academic penalty

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Thanksgiving Day  
Thanksgiving recess  
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Home Football  
UW vs. Minnesota

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A fresh snowfall covers Bascom Hall, built in 1859 as the campus's first entirely instructional building and today home to administrative offices.

# December 2014

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	1 Classes resume	2	3	4	5 Third-quarter Housing bill published	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Study day
14	15 SHIP (Student Health Insurance Plan) spring/summer open enrollment begins	16 Hanukkah begins at sundown	17 Last day to accept financial aid for fall term	18	19	20 Exams end
21 University Residence Halls close Winter Commencement Winter break (Dec. 21–Jan. 19) First day of winter	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas	26 Kwanzaa	27

## What's Happening with Your Student

Students may be feeling a great deal of pressure as they are finishing papers and preparing for final exams. Encourage your student to take advantage of study groups and tutoring services. This is an ideal time for you to send words of encouragement or a care package. Explore the Send a Smile section of the Parent Program website for ideas. Remind your student to eat well, attend office hours, and get enough sleep.

Some students will find that their budgets have not extended as far as they had hoped. Over break, talk with your student about finances.

After finals, students are often exhausted both mentally and physically. Winter break is a good time for students to relax and catch up on much-needed sleep. Talk with your student about plans for the break.

Students may start thinking about upcoming study abroad and international learning opportunities. Discuss possible study-abroad locations as well as financial plans. Many application deadlines for Summer 2015 and Fall/Academic Year 2015–16 are in February and March: [www.studyabroad.wisc.edu](http://www.studyabroad.wisc.edu).



### Did You Know?

UW–Madison offers more than 900 student organizations. Hoofers, the largest, allows outdoor enthusiasts to participate and compete in activities such as mountaineering, riding, sailing, equestrian, skiing, and snowboarding.



New Year's Eve

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With flashes of color, members of the UW Vietnamese Student Association perform during a reception.

# January 2015

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

## Did You Know?

Each year more than 2,000 UW–Madison students learn about other cultures by studying abroad. International Academic Programs offers more than 200 programs in more than 600 countries.



				1 New Year's Day FAFSA available for aid for 2015–16 year	2	3
4	5 Third-quarter Housing payment due (Jan. 26 if paying with financial aid)	6 Financial Aid refunds begin next week; is your student enrolled for eREFUND?	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Financial Aid begins applying to student Tuition Accounts Student eREFUNDS start processing daily	14 Paper checks for Parent PLUS loans and for students not enrolled in eREFUNDS begin processing weekly	15 SHIP (Student Health Insurance Plan) spring/summer coverage period begins (enrollment deadline Feb. 14)	16 Tuition eBills available for students and Authorized Payers Deadline to complete AlcoholEdu before registration hold	17 University Residence Halls open End of fall-semester eligibility for University Health Services
18 Spring-term eligibility begins for University Health Services Restaurant Week (Jan. 18–23)	19 Last day to cancel enrollment without transcript record Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20 Instruction begins	21	22	23 Late initial enrollment fee applies after this date	24
25	26 Third-quarter Housing payment due if paying with financial aid	27	28 Last day to drop courses or withdraw without notation on transcript	29 Spring Public Service Fair	30 Last day for 100% tuition adjustment on dropped classes Last day to add courses	31

## What's Happening with Your Student

Students see their fall-semester grades and may be thrilled or disappointed. Ask your student what went well and what he or she would like to do differently. Scheduling an advising appointment is a good place to start.

At the end of January, students return to campus after a long break. Some will be relieved to return to being on their own while others may miss home. Talk with your student about plans to stay in touch.

Many students begin applying for financial aid for next year by filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. Talk with your student about finances for the upcoming semester and next year. For more information, see the *Resources* section at the back of the calendar.

Students are preparing for spring classes. They should log into the My UW Student Center to update their emergency and contact information and access their class schedules. Students intending to graduate this semester need to apply for graduation through their Student Center.

Students begin purchasing textbooks and other course materials as they prepare for the upcoming spring semester.

Remind your students to reflect on experiences and goals as they enter their second semester.



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Daylight streams through the windows of the Wisconsin State Capitol dome and illuminates the ornate ceiling in the rotunda during UW-Madison, UW-Extension, and UW Colleges Day at the State Capitol.



# February 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 University Housing Summer Resident Application available	3	4	5 Founders' Day	6 Tuition due for spring term	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Fourth-quarter Housing bill published Last day to convert a course from credit to audit Last day to apply for pass/fail privilege Last day for 50% tuition adjustment on dropped classes	14 Valentine's Day SHIP (Student Health Insurance Plan) spring/summer open enrollment deadline
15	16 Presidents' Day	17 Spring Primary Election	18 Ash Wednesday	19 Chinese New Year	20	21
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## What's Happening with Your Student

Students begin planning for spring break. They may feel pressured by friends to go to warm and exotic places. Most UW–Madison students do not spend spring break at a vacation destination, but instead work, volunteer, or spend time with family and friends. The Wisconsin Union Directorate hosts an Alternative Break program that combines traveling and volunteering.

Valentine's Day may serve as the highlight for some students, but it may be a source of anxiety for others. Students appreciate receiving a card or care package from family and friends. Visit our Send a Smile web page for gift basket options.

Extended periods of cold temperatures and a lack of sunshine in the winter months may leave students feeling "down" and restless from spending so much time indoors. Alcohol use also increases during this time of year. Talk to your student about how he or she is handling the weather and what he or she is doing to get involved and stay healthy this semester.

Ask your student if he or she has completed the "Tonight" program. Students must do so by February 13, 2015.



### Did You Know?

The UW women's volleyball team competed in the NCAA Championship in 2013. But collegiate athletics is not the only way for students to stay active: UW Recreational Sports offers more than 100 group-fitness classes, 35 club-sports teams, and 40 intramural-sports activities.



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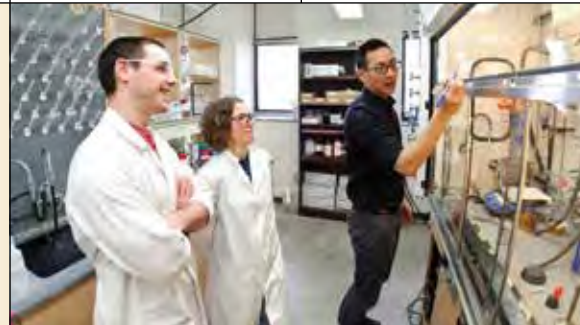
The men's basketball team takes on Michigan at the Kohl Center during a 2013-14 season that took Coach Bo Ryan's players to a national stage at the Final Four.

# March 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  Admissions Summer Course Equivalency Service begins (March 1–May 15)	2	3	4  Purim begins at sundown	5	6	7
8  Daylight Savings Time begins	9  Fourth-quarter Housing payment due	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17  St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20  Last day to drop spring courses  First day of spring  Science Expeditions (March 20–22)	21
22	23  Enrollment begins for summer term	24	25  Can withdraw without repayment of aid for spring term	26	27	28  Spring recess (March 28–April 5)

### Did You Know?

Tehshik Yoon, professor of chemistry and recipient of a 2013 Distinguished Teaching Award, uses social media in the classroom to create community, provide real-time feedback, engage students, and construct virtual "learning communities."



### What's Happening with Your Student

There are more midterms and papers this month. This is a great time to let your student know you are thinking of him or her by sending a card, photos, or other greetings.

Make plans now to attend Badger Family Spring Visit. We invite your Badger family to visit campus, your student, and Madison during April. Experience a variety of free and low-cost family-friendly events, as well as the beauty of springtime in Madison. Visit [www.parent.wisc.edu/visit](http://www.parent.wisc.edu/visit) for more information.

Many students will have finalized their housing arrangement for the upcoming year. Ask your student about this if you have not heard about his or her plans.

If your student is moving at the end of the semester, encourage advanced planning; for example, spring break is an opportunity to bring home the things he or she no longer needs.

Students will soon receive information about course enrollment dates for summer and fall semesters, including their earliest enrollment appointment times. For more information, see the *Resources* section at the back of the calendar.



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Red and white tulips frame a W Crest icon. UW–Madison boasts 325 acres of natural spaces, including the Allen Centennial Gardens and the Botany Gardens.

# April 2015

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<p><b>Did You Know?</b> The UW Marching Band, led by Professor Mike Leckrone, celebrated four decades of Varsity Band concerts in 2014. The performances draw nearly 20,000 fans each year.</p>				Badger Family Spring Visit (all month)		Passover begins at sundown Good Friday	
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Easter	Classes resume Enrollment begins for fall term	Spring elections				Wisconsin Wellness Expo	
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		Baisakhi	Tax Day	Engineering Expo (April 16-18) Undergraduate Research Symposium Varsity Band Concert (April 16-18)	Last day to withdraw without academic penalty		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
			Earth Day			Crazylegs Run/Walk	
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## What's Happening with Your Student

Students may begin to think about declaring (or changing) majors, pursuing summer jobs/internships, or finding summer housing. If your student is in the process of deciding which direction to take, encourage him or her to explore the options and keep an open mind. Ask your student about a favorite class or what topic(s) he or she finds interesting. Remind him or her about campus resources. For more information, see the *Resources* section in the back of the calendar.

Warmer temperatures and more sunshine may lead to spring fever. Students may find it hard to concentrate on academics and may spend more time outdoors. Ask your student how he or she is planning ahead and staying on top of tasks. Just as important as studying is staying healthy—eating a balanced diet, getting enough sleep, exercising, and balancing work with play.

Many students participate in All-Campus Party, a week-long alcohol-free celebration sponsored by the Wisconsin Alumni Association.



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Giving a farewell nod to the university, graduates make a statement with their caps during Commencement in 2013. The ceremony returned to Camp Randall Stadium for the first time in many years in 2014.

# May 2015

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

## Did You Know?

UW–Madison engages the UW community on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, Pinterest, and YouTube. Follow @UWMadison or go to [social.wisc.edu](http://social.wisc.edu) to join the conversation and receive up-to-date information.



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17 University Residence Halls close	18	19	20	21	22	23 End of spring-semester eligibility for University Health Services Shavuot begins at sundown
Madison Half Marathon 24 Summer health fee eligibility begins at University Health Services	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Memorial Day		Three-week summer term begins				

## What's Happening with Your Student

Stress levels often increase as students are completing papers and projects and taking final exams. Encourage your student to take advantage of study groups and tutoring services. This is a great time of year to send a care package or e-postcard, or visit our Send a Smile web page for gift basket options.

Some students may be staying in Madison and taking classes or working. Others are preparing to move back home and/or relocate for a summer internship. Talk with your student about summer plans. Students will begin summer employment or internships, or will begin to look for work now that they have completed the semester.

After finals, students are often exhausted both mentally and physically. They will look forward to finding time to relax and catch up on much-needed sleep.

Students will need to update their current address for the summer through the My UW Student Center.

Graduating students begin to reflect on their time as an undergraduate and prepare for a new transition. Remind them to stay connected to services and events through the Wisconsin Alumni Association.



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The campus's iconic Armory and Gymnasium — better known as the Red Gym — was named a National Historic Landmark in 1994. Today it houses several student-services offices.



# June 2015

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## What's Happening with Your Student

While many students return home for the summer, others stay to experience a summer in Madison. Students who leave campus for the summer may wonder what will happen to their friendships and other relationships. Ask your student how he or she plans to stay in touch with college friends.

Students who take summer courses at UW-Madison will find that the condensed timeframe means that courses are more intense than in the fall and spring semesters, which can make balancing academics and social time more challenging.

Summer is a good time for students to reflect on the successes and challenges of the past year. Ask your student what his or her goals are for the year ahead. Encourage him or her to take advantage of campus resources, such as advising offices and career centers, which can help with upcoming decisions. Many of these offices remain open during the summer months.

Students living away from home may, for the first time, miss important family gatherings or family vacations. Even if your student is unable to attend, keep him or her in the loop before and after these events.



**Did You Know?**  
The Dane County Farmers' Market is the largest producer-only farmers' market in the U.S. All items are produced locally.



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Perhaps the most beloved furniture on campus, sunburst chairs adorn the Memorial Union Terrace, a popular gathering spot for hearing live music, watching movies, or simply gazing at the lake.

# July 2015

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## Did You Know?

Renowned cartoonist and writer Lynda Barry, now on the UW–Madison faculty as an associate professor of interdisciplinary creativity, explores the biological function of the arts, teaching participants that using their hands engages their brains—and leads to the creativity within.



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Art Fair on the Square  
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SHIP (Student Health Insurance Plan) fall/annual open enrollment begins  
Dane County Fair (July 15–19)

Ramadan ends

Maxwell Street Days (July 17–19)  
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Madison Restaurant Week (July 19–24)

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## What's Happening with Your Student

Students who stay in Madison for the summer often form a stronger connection with the community—by working off campus, going to area restaurants, and attending events. Encourage your student to explore Madison and the surrounding community. You may also want to plan a trip to Madison to visit your student.

Madison offers great activities in the summer. Hoofers Outing Club offers water-sport lessons, and Concerts on the Square (hosted by the Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra) are free.

Students living at home may start missing college friends and feel anxious to return to campus. They may also want to spend much of their remaining free time with old friends. Tensions may increase because your student is becoming more independent. Remember that students go through changes as they develop into adults. Keep lines of communication open, tell your student that you love him or her, and continue to build upon your new adult-to-adult relationship.

If your student is working during the summer to help pay for costs during the academic year, check in about savings: are things on track with what has been planned?



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Bucky Badger waves from the Bucky Wagon as he leads a parade through the fairgrounds during UW–Madison Day at the Wisconsin State Fair in 2013, where alumni and campus volunteers collected 125 bags of school supplies and more than \$5,000 for Milwaukee Public School children.

# August 2015

Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

## Did You Know?

University Residence Halls offer ten Residential Learning Communities, which bring together faculty, staff, and students around an explicit focus. Seminars and class sections, along with aligned co-curricular activities, help produce smaller, more intentional communities that set students up for success.



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Fall-term eligibility begins for University Health Services

SHIP (Student Health Insurance Plan) fall/annual coverage period begins

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Financial Aid refunds begin next week; is your student enrolled for eREFUND?

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Financial Aid begins applying to student Tuition Accounts

Student eREFUNDS start processing daily

Paper checks for Parent PLUS loans and for students not enrolled in eREFUNDS begin processing weekly

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Summer health fee eligibility ends at University Health Services

University Residence Halls move-in (Aug. 30–31)

Tuition eBills available for students and Authorized Payers



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## 2015-16 Dates

University Residence Halls move-in	Aug. 30-31, 2015
Instruction begins	Sept. 2, 2015
Labor Day	Sept. 7, 2015
Tuition due	Sept. 18, 2015
Thanksgiving recess	Nov. 26-29, 2015
Last class day	Dec. 15, 2015
Exams begin	Dec. 17, 2015
Winter Commencement	Dec. 20, 2015
Exams end	Dec. 23, 2015
Instruction begins	Jan. 19, 2016
Tuition due	Feb. 5, 2016
Spring recess	March 19-27, 2016
Classes resume	March 28, 2016
Last class day	May 6, 2016
Exams begin	May 8, 2016
Commencement weekend	May 13-15, 2016
Exams end	May 14, 2016

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# Important Contacts

Bursar's Office (for fast service, contact by e-mail: <a href="mailto:tuition@bussvc.wisc.edu">tuition@bussvc.wisc.edu</a> )	608-262-3611	<a href="http://www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar">www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar</a>
Campus Area Housing Listing Service (off-campus housing)	608-263-2452	<a href="http://www.campusareahousing.wisc.edu">www.campusareahousing.wisc.edu</a>
Campus and Visitor Relations	608-263-2400	<a href="http://www.info.wisc.edu">www.info.wisc.edu</a>
Division of Information Technology (DoIT Tech Store)	608-264-3648	<a href="http://www.doit.wisc.edu">www.doit.wisc.edu</a>
Division of Student Life	608-263-5700	<a href="http://www.students.wisc.edu">www.students.wisc.edu</a>
Greater Madison Convention and Visitors Bureau	1-800-373-6376	<a href="http://www.visitmadison.com">www.visitmadison.com</a>
International Academic Programs (study abroad)	608-265-6329	<a href="http://www.studyabroad.wisc.edu">www.studyabroad.wisc.edu</a>
Memorial Union	608-265-3000	<a href="http://www.union.wisc.edu">www.union.wisc.edu</a>
Office of Admissions and Recruitment	608-262-3961	<a href="http://www.admissions.wisc.edu">www.admissions.wisc.edu</a>
Office of the Registrar	608-262-3811	<a href="http://www.registrar.wisc.edu">www.registrar.wisc.edu</a>
Office of Student Financial Aid (grants, loans, and student employment)	608-262-3060	<a href="http://www.finaid.wisc.edu">www.finaid.wisc.edu</a>
Parent Program	1-877-262-3977	<a href="http://www.parent.wisc.edu">www.parent.wisc.edu</a>
SAFE Nighttime Services (SAFEwalk and SAFERide bus)	608-262-5000	<a href="http://www.transportation.wisc.edu/transportation/safeservices.aspx">www.transportation.wisc.edu/transportation/safeservices.aspx</a>
Union South	608-890-3000	<a href="http://www.union.wisc.edu">www.union.wisc.edu</a>
University Health Services	608-265-5600	<a href="http://www.uhs.wisc.edu">www.uhs.wisc.edu</a>
University Housing (on-campus housing)	608-262-2522	<a href="http://www.housing.wisc.edu">www.housing.wisc.edu</a>
UW Badger Athletics Ticket Office	1-800-462-2343 1-800-(GOBADGERS)	<a href="http://www.uwbadgers.com">www.uwbadgers.com</a>
UW Police (non-emergency)	608-264-2677	<a href="http://www.uwupd.wisc.edu">www.uwupd.wisc.edu</a>
UW Student Job Center	608-262-5627	<a href="http://www.jobcenter.wisc.edu">www.jobcenter.wisc.edu</a>
UW Transportation Services (campus parking and commuter solutions)	608-263-6666	<a href="http://www.transportation.wisc.edu">www.transportation.wisc.edu</a>
Wiscard Office	608-262-3258	<a href="http://www.wiscard.wisc.edu">www.wiscard.wisc.edu</a>
Wisconsin Alumni Association	1-888-947-2586	<a href="http://www.uwalumni.com">www.uwalumni.com</a>



# Important Dates 2014–2015

First-quarter Housing payment due	August 11, 2014
University Residence Halls move-in	August 27–28, 2014
Labor Day (no classes)	September 1, 2014
Instruction begins	September 2, 2014
Parents' Weekend	September 19–21, 2014
Tuition due for fall term	September 19, 2014
Second-quarter Housing payment due	October 20, 2014
Thanksgiving recess	November 27–30, 2014
Last day of class	December 12, 2014
Study day	December 13, 2014
Exams begin	December 14, 2014
Exams end	December 20, 2014
Winter Commencement	December 21, 2014
University Residence Halls close	December 21, 2014
Third-quarter Housing payment due	January 5, 2015
University Residence Halls open	January 17, 2015
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 19, 2015
Instruction begins	January 20, 2015
Tuition due for spring term	February 6, 2015
Fourth-quarter Housing payment due	March 9, 2015
Spring recess	March 28–April 5, 2015
Classes resume	April 6, 2015

Last day of class	May 8, 2015
Study day	May 9, 2015
Exams begin	May 10, 2015
Commencement weekend	May 15–17, 2015
Exams end	May 16, 2015
University Residence Halls close	May 17, 2015
Eight-week summer term begins	June 15, 2015
Tuition due for summer term	June 19, 2015

Events and deadlines in this calendar are subject to change.

For additional important dates and events, visit the Parent Program website ([www.parent.wisc.edu](http://www.parent.wisc.edu)) or call 1-877-262-3977.

**BADGER FAMILY**  
**SPRING VISIT**  
APRIL 2015



*Badger Family Spring Visit is back!*

Bring the entire family and enjoy time with your student. Explore the campus and the Madison community. Pick a date during April 2015, then attend the events and attractions that interest you the most.

WATCH FOR DETAILS IN JANUARY 2015.

UW-MADISON PARENT PROGRAM

# Campus Resources

## Academics and Career

### Academic Advising

All students are assigned an academic advisor in their area(s) of academic interest, or in the Cross-College Advising Service for undecided and exploring students. Academic advisors work with students individually and in small groups to clarify their academic goals and develop and complete an academic plan. Academic advising is one of the best opportunities for students to form a strong individual relationship with a faculty or staff member. All students should take advantage of the opportunity to meet with an advisor every semester.

### Career Advising

Each school or college on the UW–Madison campus provides career services to its students. Depending upon the fields of study within each school or college, ongoing services and events are offered and vary according to specific disciplines. Some academic departments also provide specialized career services for students, as well as information on internships and jobs post-graduation. **Web:** [www.careers.wisc.edu](http://www.careers.wisc.edu)

### The Student Center in My UW

Students can handle much of their university business by visiting the Student Center in My UW at [my.wisc.edu](http://my.wisc.edu):

- Search and enroll for classes and obtain textbook information
- View tuition account charges and payments and access links to view, print, and pay eBills, and set up Authorized Payers
- View grades, order transcripts and enrollment verifications, and view/update emergency and contact information
- Check financial aid status and accept/decline a financial aid award

### Course Enrollment Process

Enrollment for continuing students begins in mid-November for spring term, late March for summer term, and early April for fall term. In preparation for meeting with an advisor and enrolling, students can use Course Guide and Schedule Planner to find courses, view course and instructor information, and create customized schedules. Encourage your student to speak with an academic advisor or attend a group advising session before

enrollment, even if it is not required. Students should plan to meet with their advisors about a month prior to enrollment to ensure advisor availability. Each student's assigned advisor is listed via the Student Center in My UW. Additional details about course enrollment, including demos of the enrollment system, are available at [registrar.wisc.edu](http://registrar.wisc.edu). **Enrollment Helpline:** 608–262–0920; **E-mail:** [webenroll@em.wisc.edu](mailto:webenroll@em.wisc.edu)

### Course Guide in My UW

Course Guide is a course planning tool for students. Students can view course and instructor information, identify their favorite courses, create customized course plans, link to enrollment, view textbook information, and more. Course Guide should be used in conjunction with Schedule Planner. Students can access Course Guide through the Student Services tab in My UW. Parents and others can view Course Guide at [mycourseguide.wisc.edu](http://mycourseguide.wisc.edu).

### Schedule Planner

Students use Schedule Planner to help create class schedules each term. Students import planned courses from Course Guide; set up blocked times for events such as work, practice, or lunch; pick from a variety of possible schedule options; and select the schedules they want. Students can then import their schedules directly to their Student Center Wish List/ Shopping Cart and proceed with course enrollment. Students can access Schedule Planner through Course Guide.

### Apply for Graduation

Students enrolling for their final term should apply for graduation via the Student Center in My UW. Encourage your student to apply early in the term to allow adequate time to complete a review of requirements and to receive e-mail messages about commencement and diplomas.

### Center for the First-Year Experience

The Center for the First-Year Experience (CFYE) leads the campus in coordinating, facilitating, and assessing the first year of college for freshmen and new undergraduate transfers. The center coordinates Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration (SOAR); Wisconsin Welcome; the Transfer Transition Program and Transfer Ambassadors Program; and the Wisconsin

Experience Seminar (CP125). **Phone:** 608–263–0367; **Address:** 101 Ingraham Hall, 1155 Observatory Drive; **Web:** [www.newstudent.wisc.edu](http://www.newstudent.wisc.edu); **Social:** [facebook.com/uwnewstudent](https://facebook.com/uwnewstudent), [twitter.com/uwnewstudent](https://twitter.com/uwnewstudent) and [instagram.com/uwnewstudent](https://instagram.com/uwnewstudent)

### Division of Information Technology (DoIT)

DoIT provides UW–Madison with the computing, networking, and other campus information technology resources to address the academic and research needs of students.

Resources include:

- MyUW: web access to campus and student information
- Computer labs: 18 campus general-access computing spaces and equipment loan
- Campus software library: free security and academic software for students
- DoIT Tech Store: consulting, and discounted computing hardware and accessories
- DoIT Help Desk: free technology support and warranty repair
- Free tech classes and training

**DoIT Tech Store and Help Desk locations:** Computer Sciences, 1210 W. Dayton Street; Health Sciences Learning Center, 750 Highland Avenue; 333 East Campus Mall; or online at [techstore.doit.wisc.edu](http://techstore.doit.wisc.edu)

For more information visit [www.doit.wisc.edu/students](http://www.doit.wisc.edu/students).

### International Academic Programs (Study Abroad)

IAP offers more than 200 study-abroad programs on six continents for students in all schools and colleges at UW–Madison. These high-quality programs offer a variety of opportunities that work for most majors, from history to biochemistry to economics. Financial aid, scholarships, and grants are available to assist with funding study abroad. **Phone:** 608–265–6329; **Address:** 106 Red Gym, 716 Langdon Street; **E-mail:** [peeradvisor@studyabroad.wisc.edu](mailto:peeradvisor@studyabroad.wisc.edu); **Web:** [www.studyabroad.wisc.edu](http://www.studyabroad.wisc.edu)

# Campus Resources

## Libraries

The UW–Madison Libraries rank among the top research libraries in North America. Campus librarians provide assistance through resources and services, including instructional workshops on a wide range of topics for enhancing research and learning. Access to equipment is available, and students can take advantage of a variety of study spaces.

**Web:** [www.library.wisc.edu](http://www.library.wisc.edu)

## Health, Wellness, and Safety

### Recreational Sports

The mission of the Division of Recreational Sports is to enrich the educational experience by providing recreational programs and services that promote the social, mental, and physical well-being of the campus community. The divisions offer programs in four indoor facilities and 63 acres of outdoor activity space. Programs include Intramural Sports, Sports Clubs, Fitness, Wellness and Personal Training, Aquatics, and General Recreational Activities.

**Web:** [www.recsports.wisc.edu](http://www.recsports.wisc.edu)

### SAFE (Safe Arrival For Everyone) Nighttime Services

The goal of SAFE is to promote personal and community safety by offering SAFEwalk services and educating the UW community on matters of nighttime safety. **Phone:** 608–262–5000; **Web:** [www.transportation.wisc.edu/transportation/safeservices.aspx](http://www.transportation.wisc.edu/transportation/safeservices.aspx)

### University Health Services (UHS)

University Health Services (UHS), the health clinic on campus, is open to any current UW–Madison student. This team of experienced professionals provides medical treatment of injuries and illnesses, and brief individual and group therapy for a range of mental health and personal concerns, as well as individual and community prevention programs. All students are eligible to use UHS services, most of which have already been prepaid by tuition and fees, but access to UHS is not a substitute for having health insurance. For those who need insurance, UHS offers a comprehensive Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP). **Phone:** 608–265–5600; **Address:** 333 East Campus Mall, floors 5-8; **Web:** [www.uhs.wisc.edu](http://www.uhs.wisc.edu)

## UW Police

The UW–Madison Police Department provides complete law enforcement services to the campus. It is an accredited law enforcement agency, recognized by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., for demonstrating excellence in law enforcement. This diverse and progressive organization offers nationally recognized special units, including K9 and Mounted Patrol units. Officers are authorized to enforce all Wisconsin state laws and rules of the UW System Board of Regents and are deputized by the Dane County Sheriff. **Non-emergency phone:** 608–264–2677; **Address:** 1429 Monroe Street; **Web:** [www.uwupd.wisc.edu](http://www.uwupd.wisc.edu)

## Learning Support

### Chemistry Learning Center

The Chemistry Learning Center is designed for students who wish to improve their ability to learn chemistry. Participation is voluntary and free. The center offers a supportive learning environment where students meet in small groups with staff to work on effective strategies for mastering the chemical content. **Phone:** 608–265–5497; **Web:** [www.chem.wisc.edu/areas/clc](http://www.chem.wisc.edu/areas/clc)

### Academics in University Residence Halls

The Class Connections program in University Residence Halls is a searchable web database that helps students find classmates who live nearby. Early each semester, Residence Hall staff members coordinate study group kick-off events to foster ongoing study groups. **Web:** [www.housing.wisc.edu/academics](http://www.housing.wisc.edu/academics)

### Greater University Tutoring Service (GUTS)

GUTS peer-tutoring program provides free help in a variety of subjects at introductory and intermediate levels. Services include Academic Match, Conversational English, Study Skills, Foreign Language, and Drop-In Centers. **Phone:** 608–263–5666; **E-mail:** [guts@rso.wisc.edu](mailto:guts@rso.wisc.edu); **Web:** [guts.studentorg.wisc.edu](http://guts.studentorg.wisc.edu)

### Mathlab

Mathlab is a free, drop-in tutorial program primarily staffed by teaching assistants in the mathematics department. In Mathlab, students work with other students in the same course. Mathlab assistants help with one or two homework problems at a time, or with key examples from the text. **Web:** [www.math.wisc.edu/undergraduate/mathlab](http://www.math.wisc.edu/undergraduate/mathlab)



## Staying Safe



As partners in staying safe, students should take personal responsibility for their safety. Encourage your student to use campus safety programs and services; remain aware of surroundings; walk in groups; use lighted paths when walking at night; lock doors and windows at all times; keep friends and family informed

as to where he or she is going and who he or she is with; carry a cell phone; call 911 immediately if he or she ever feels threatened; and, if choosing to drink alcohol, do so in moderation. For more important safety information, visit the safety website at [www.safeu.wisc.edu](http://www.safeu.wisc.edu) or contact Parent Program staff. **Web:** [www.parent.wisc.edu](http://www.parent.wisc.edu)

UW–Madison offers several important safety-related programs and services, including:

- University Police, our 24-hour police department devoted to providing for the safety and security of all people who come in contact with UW–Madison. Non-emergency phone: 608–264–2677
- The SAFEwalk program promotes personal and community safety by offering FREE walking escorts. Encourage your student to program this number into his or her phone: 608–262–5000.
- Designated lightway walking paths and emergency telephones located strategically throughout campus.
- Female students can consider signing up for Chimera self-defense class, [danecountyrc.org/chimera/index.php](http://danecountyrc.org/chimera/index.php).
- Emergency Contact Information—Remind your student that keeping emergency contact information up-to-date is critical, should an emergency arise. Students can access this through the Student Center on My UW under Personal Information.
- Emergency Notifications: WiscAlerts—in the event of a campus emergency, UW–Madison will send up-to-date information to students and staff through mass e-mail, Web page postings, and news media. Encourage your student to sign up on the My UW portal.

# Campus Resources

## Math Tutorial Program

The Math Tutorial Program is a free service designed for students who would otherwise not be successful in their current classes. The program involves mandatory attendance at two 50-minute sessions each week in addition to regular class sessions.

E-mail: [camacho@math.wisc.edu](mailto:camacho@math.wisc.edu); Web: [www.math.wisc.edu/tutorial-program](http://www.math.wisc.edu/tutorial-program)

## Writing Center

The Writing Center offers free assistance on organization, style, and mechanics in writing projects for most courses at any level. The center also offers workshops on grammar, style, and composition planning and organization, as well as writing for exams, research papers, research posters, book reviews, literary critiques, and cover letters and résumés. Phone: 608-263-1992; Web: [www.writing.wisc.edu](http://www.writing.wisc.edu)



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## Housing

### University Housing

University Housing provides the resources to help students succeed on campus. Students who live in University Housing do better academically, are more involved in campus life, and can easily connect with other students in their hall. With dedicated staff, tutoring and counseling services, and a wide variety of popular food options, many students choose to live in University Residence Halls for multiple years. Residents benefit from flexible academic-year contracts and security measures to keep them safe. Information about Housing payments can be found in the financial section of this calendar. Phone: 608-262-2522; Address: University Housing, Slichter Hall, 625 Babcock Drive; Web: [www.housing.wisc.edu](http://www.housing.wisc.edu)

### Campus Area Housing

More than 35,000 UW-Madison students live in the neighboring communities around campus. The Campus Area Housing (CAH) office maintains a listing service of area rental vacancies, sublets, and roommate openings in apartments, houses, fraternity/sorority houses, cooperatives, rooming houses, and Private Housing Connections (PHC) properties near campus and throughout the Madison area. The CAH staff also offers rental information and educational resources through its website, by phone, and in person. Phone: 608-263-2452; Address: 1308 W. Dayton Street; Web: [www.campusareahousing.wisc.edu](http://www.campusareahousing.wisc.edu)

### Rental Resources/Mediation Services

Students have access to free or low-cost counseling for tenants and landlords interested in learning more about their rental rights and responsibilities. Information on state and local rental laws, regulations, and lease-screening services is available at the Tenant Resource Center. Phone: 608-257-0006 or 608-561-3727; Address: Student Activity Center, 333 East Campus Mall, Third Floor; Web: [www.tenantresourcecenter.org](http://www.tenantresourcecenter.org)



## Transportation and Parking

### Bus

UW-Madison students are eligible for the Associated Students of Madison (ASM) bus pass, which provides unlimited, free access to all city routes. The campus bus routes 80, 81, and 82 are funded jointly by UW Transportation Services and ASM, and are free to everyone, including students, staff, and visitors.

### Mopeds

Moped owners must have a valid UW-Madison parking permit and park in designated stalls on campus.

Web: [www.transportation.wisc.edu](http://www.transportation.wisc.edu)

### Student parking

UW-Madison discourages students from bringing vehicles to campus. Student parking on campus is extremely limited and few students qualify for permits.

### UW Transportation Services

In addition to administering all campus parking, Transportation Services also operates UW Commuter Solutions (the UW's comprehensive suite of alternative transportation options), runs SAFE Nighttime Services, and more. Phone: 608-263-6666; Web: [www.transportation.wisc.edu](http://www.transportation.wisc.edu)

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## Visitor parking

If you are driving a vehicle while visiting campus, please plan to take a few extra minutes to locate parking. If you park in UW–Madison parking lots, please be prepared to pull a ticket, pay a meter, pay a parking attendant, or observe lot enforcement times posted at all lot entrances. Visitors can visit any of the Transportation Services' offices or call **608-263-6666** for additional assistance. The city of Madison has more than 5,000 public parking spaces downtown and on-street metered spaces, for visitors.



## Getting Out of Town

### Bus services (all depart from campus)

**Badger Bus** offers service to the Milwaukee, Minneapolis, La Crosse, and Whitewater areas.

Web: [www.badgerbus.com](http://www.badgerbus.com)

**Better Bus LLC** offers students direct service from UW–Madison to the Twin Cities during holidays, special events, and school breaks. Web: [www.betterbus.com](http://www.betterbus.com)

**Greyhound Bus** offers service to Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Indianapolis, and Lafayette, IN.

Web: [www.greyhound.com](http://www.greyhound.com)

**Jefferson Bus Lines** offers service to La Crosse, Rochester, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, and the Chicago area.

Web: [www.jeffersonlines.com](http://www.jeffersonlines.com)

**Lamers Bus Lines, Inc.**, offers service between Madison and the following areas: Green Bay/Appleton, Dubuque, Wisconsin Rapids. Web: [www.golamers.com](http://www.golamers.com)

**Mad-Bus** offers service to the Twin Cities, Green Bay, and Oshkosh/Appleton for holidays, breaks, and special events.

Web: [www.mad-bus.com](http://www.mad-bus.com)

**Mega Bus** offers service to Minneapolis and Chicago.

Web: [www.megabus.com](http://www.megabus.com)

**Van Galder Bus Company** offers service to the Chicago area, Rockford, South Beloit, Janesville, and Minneapolis.

Web: [www.coachusa.com/vangalder](http://www.coachusa.com/vangalder)

### Taxi services offered in the Madison Area:

**Badger Cab:** 608–256–5566

**Madison Taxi:** 800–894–3866

**Union Cab:** 608–242–2000

**Green Cab:** 608–255–1234

### Leaving by air

The Dane County Regional Airport is about seven miles from campus and services Delta, American Eagle, United Airlines, and Frontier Airlines. Students can easily get to the airport via taxi or the city bus.

Another option is to fly into Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport, Chicago O'Hare Airport, Chicago Midway Airport, or the Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport and use bus transportation.

## Out-of-Class Learning

### The Center for Leadership & Involvement

The Center for Leadership & Involvement (CfLI) is your student's link to getting involved on campus and growing his or her leadership potential. CfLI helps students find information on how to develop their leadership skills and get involved in one of hundreds of out-of-class learning experiences. Your student can showcase his or her leadership experiences through the Leadership Certificate Program and keep track of involvement through a Leadership & Involvement Record. The center sponsors several student organizations, including the Student Leadership Program, Adventure Learning Programs, Greek Life (fraternities and sororities), and the Wisconsin Singers. Additional information can be found on the Wisconsin Involvement Network website at [win.wisc.edu](http://win.wisc.edu). The CfLI website also serves as a resource for finding research, internship, volunteering, and study-abroad opportunities. Phone: 608–263–0365; Address: Red Gym, Third Floor, 716 Langdon Street; Web: [www.cfli.wisc.edu](http://www.cfli.wisc.edu)

## The Morgridge Center for Public Service

UW–Madison's Morgridge Center for Public Service connects campus with the community through co-curricular volunteer opportunities, as well as engaged scholarship, including academically based service-learning courses and community-based research. Students interested in getting involved in local, national, or international service opportunities can use the center's resources and programs, including the fall and spring Public Service Fairs, the Badger Volunteers program, Wisconsin Idea undergraduate fellowships, volunteer advising appointments, undergraduate internships, and the database [www.volunteeryourtime.org](http://www.volunteeryourtime.org). Phone: 608–263–2432; E-mail: [info@morgridge.wisc.edu](mailto:info@morgridge.wisc.edu); Web: [www.morgridge.wisc.edu](http://www.morgridge.wisc.edu)

## How to Obtain Enrollment Verification

Your student may obtain a letter certifying enrollment status (full time or part time) for insurance, scholarships, voter ID, and more, by using one of the following methods:

- Visit the Office of the Registrar, 333 East Campus Mall, #10101, for in-person service: 7:45 a.m.– 4:30 p.m., Monday–Friday
- Print a free grade report and/or obtain a free certification by selecting the My Academics tab in the Student Center in My UW
- Send a signed, written request, including an addressed, stamped envelope, to:

Office of the Registrar  
Student Services  
University of Wisconsin–Madison  
333 East Campus Mall, #10101  
Madison, Wisconsin 53715-1384

For additional information, visit [https://registrar.wisc.edu/enrollment\\_verification\\_acad\\_rec.htm](https://registrar.wisc.edu/enrollment_verification_acad_rec.htm) or call the Office of the Registrar at 608–262–3811.

\* NOTE: Students who need enrollment verification to meet the new voter ID requirements must obtain verification through the Student Center in My UW.

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## UW Student Job Center

The UW Student Job Center and its website provides information about part-time openings on and off campus, as well as occasional full-time summer openings. Information about part-time jobs is also available through the student-employment offices of these university facilities (click on “Links” on the Job Center website to learn more): Memorial Union, University Housing, Recreational Sports, and campus libraries. Graduates and experienced workers who are seeking full-time professional career opportunities should use the Career Services office and other resources that can be found on the Job Center’s “links” page. **Phone: 608-262-5627; Address: 333 East Campus Mall, #9701; Web: [www.jobcenter.wisc.edu](http://www.jobcenter.wisc.edu)**

## More Programs and Services

### Division of Student Life

Grounded in the ideals of the Wisconsin Idea, the eight departments within the division provide assistance and support to students to ensure that every student is given the opportunity for success in and out of the classroom. **Phone: 608-263-5700; Web: [www.students.wisc.edu](http://www.students.wisc.edu)**

### Dean of Students Office

- Provides walk-in or call-in assistance/consultation with the on-call dean (8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., Monday–Friday)
- Provides assistance, advocacy, and referral services to campus and community resources for students in crisis
- Is responsible for academic and non-academic misconduct process and procedures
- Provides student veteran support and outreach

## Parental Involvement Protocol

The university may contact a parent/guardian when there is a serious health, safety, or misconduct concern. This protocol provides an opportunity for the university to occasionally partner with a parent/guardian in order to assist a student who may be struggling with an issue that is affecting his or her success.

## Campus and Visitor Relations

Campus and Visitor Relations is UW–Madison’s central source for information on campus and community programs and services, attractions, and events. Locations: Campus and Community Information Welcome Desk (Union South and Memorial Union), and the Town Center Welcome Desk (Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery, 330 N. Orchard Street). **Phone: 608-263-2400; Web: [www.info.wisc.edu](http://www.info.wisc.edu)**

## International Student Services (ISS)

Provides orientation, advising, documentation, information, programming, and education to and about international students and their dependents. ISS assists with questions about resources and United States F-1 and J-1 visa regulations. **Phone: 608-262-2044; Address: Red Gym, Room 217, 716 Langdon Street; Web: [www.iss.wisc.edu](http://www.iss.wisc.edu)**

## The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Campus Center (LGBT CC)

The Center, at 123 Red Gym, provides a gathering space, offers support services, and runs leadership programming for LGBTQ students and their allies. It also facilitates educational programs and training on LGBTQ issues for the campus. The CC houses a resource library, discussion groups, peer mentoring, and more. **Phone: 608-265-3344; Address: Web: [www.lgbt.wisc.edu](http://www.lgbt.wisc.edu)**

## McBurney Disability Resource Center

McBurney facilitates classroom accommodations and services for UW–Madison students with disabilities. Students should complete the steps found under “How to Become a McBurney Client” at [www.mcburney.wisc.edu](http://www.mcburney.wisc.edu) as soon as possible. New freshmen who have been determined eligible for services and their parents are encouraged to attend the McBurney Orientation and Service Training (MOST) program, August 24–27, 2014. **Phone: 608-263-2741; E-mail: [transition@studentlife.wisc.edu](mailto:transition@studentlife.wisc.edu)**

## Multicultural Student Center

In keeping with its historic legacy while embracing a Social Justice Education model, the primary mission of the Multicultural Student Center (MSC) is to collaboratively strengthen and sustain an inclusive campus where all students, particularly students of color and other historically underserved students, are engaged



and can realize an authentic Wisconsin Experience. The MSC features administrative offices, a large multipurpose student lounge, office space for student organizations, a conference room/classroom, and a social justice resource center. Building upon the core values/work areas of Education, Community Development, and Transformation, they offer educational programming throughout the year. **Phone: 608-262-4503; Address: Red Gym, Second Floor, 716 Langdon Street; Web: [www.msc.wisc.edu](http://www.msc.wisc.edu)**

## Office of Admissions and Recruitment

This office leads campus efforts to identify, recruit, and enroll talented freshmen and transfer students. Badger alumni and current students are invited to join recruitment efforts in Madison and around the world. Students can contact the office if they have a passion for sharing The Wisconsin Experience and want to help UW connect with future students. **Phone: 608-262-3961; Address: 702 West Johnson Street, #1101; E-mail: [onwisconsin@admissions.wisc.edu](mailto:onwisconsin@admissions.wisc.edu); Web: [www.admissions.wisc.edu](http://www.admissions.wisc.edu)**

## Wisconsin Athletics

Badger gamedays are special and a core part of the campus experience. Don’t miss out! Tickets are available for many events, including football, men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s hockey, and more. For schedules and ticket availability and orders, call 1-800-GO BADGERS or visit [uwbadgers.com](http://uwbadgers.com).

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## Wisconsin Union

The Wisconsin Union operates Memorial Union and Union South, where students, faculty, staff, guests, and Union members can eat, meet, relax, socialize, and enjoy artwork, films, guest lecturers, and live performances, among other activities. In 2014, Mini Courses and the Craftshop merged into Wheelhouse Studios, offering new spaces devoted to arts, crafts, and creativity in the newly renovated west wing, which students can use for free. Union South features the Marquee, a 350-seat cinema; Varsity Hall, which can host large banquets or concerts; The Sett, which consists of a club for live music and a large TV for sports, eight bowling lanes, pool tables, and a climbing wall; 60 eco-friendly boutique guest rooms; a convenience store; a coffeehouse; an ice cream parlor; four other restaurants; and more. It also hosts Badger Bash, the longest-running tailgate on campus, at home football games. Memorial Union features the Wisconsin Union Theater; four art galleries; four restaurants; and the Terrace, the most popular gathering spot on campus and recently voted Madison's favorite landmark. The Wisconsin Union Directorate—the student programming board that consists of ten committees and six outdoor recreation clubs (part of Outdoor UW)—creates, promotes, and manages more than 1,000 events annually, including music, art, film, alternative breaks, and guest lecturers. The Wisconsin Union is a membership organization with more than 85,000 annual and lifetime members, as well as all enrolled students. **Web:** [www.union.wisc.edu](http://www.union.wisc.edu); **Facebook:** [facebook.com/thewisconsinunion](https://www.facebook.com/thewisconsinunion)

## Things to See and Do When Visiting Madison

A Madison must-do: Stop by the Memorial Union. Choose from a variety of on-site or nearby restaurants or coffee shops and enjoy a meal or snack while listening to live music on the Terrace overlooking Lake Mendota. Or visit Union South at 1308 W. Dayton Street.

Experience State Street, an award-winning eight-block pedestrian mall that runs from the Capitol to campus. Only buses and bikes are allowed (no cars!), so everyone can enjoy its eclectic blend of independent shops, bookstores, and restaurants.

Get a breath of fresh air while strolling or biking down the Lakeshore Path, or walking through Picnic Point. You'll experience views of nature, Lake Mendota, and the Madison skyline.

Visit the largest producer-only farmers' market in the country by strolling around the Capitol Square on a Saturday morning between April and November. For the rest of the year, the indoor Farmers' Market takes place at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center.

Take a tour of the State Capitol. Free tours are offered daily, and the sixth-floor museum and observation deck are also open during the summer months. Step onto the observation deck to see a breathtaking 360-degree view of the city.

Visit the Henry Vilas Zoo for free fun. See polar bears, rhinos, flamingos, and many other domestic and exotic animals. Open daily, 9:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

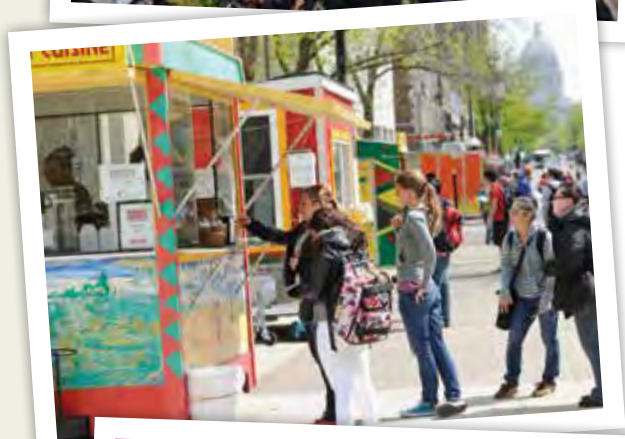
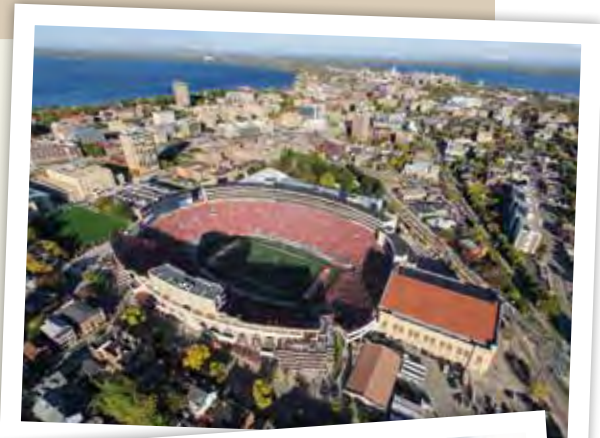
Try UW–Madison's world-renowned Babcock ice cream. This sweet treat is created on campus and is available at the Memorial Union, Union South, Babcock Hall Dairy Store, and University Housing dining facilities.

Soak in some knowledge at one of the many museums on or near campus. Choose from the Chazen Museum of Art, Geology Museum, Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Wisconsin Historical Museum, Wisconsin Veterans Museum, or the Madison Children's Museum.

Experience nature by visiting one of many gardens or nature preserves. The trails running through the 1,260 acres of the UW Arboretum are great for hiking. Admire thousands of plants at Allen Centennial Gardens, or visit Olbrich Botanical Gardens, where you can explore 16 acres of outdoor gardens. Visit the tropical Bolz Conservancy, or the Thai Pavilion, one of only four located outside of Thailand.

Experience science by visiting the Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery. This unique space has two food venues, hands-on niches, and the second-largest collection of Mesozoic plants in the world.

For a complete list of area attractions, accommodations, restaurants, and itinerary ideas, visit the Greater Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau website at [visitmadison.com](http://visitmadison.com).



# Payments, Deposits, and Bills

## Financial Aid / Tuition / Billing / Refunds

### Office of Student Financial Aid

Students can learn about potential funding sources, such as grants, loans, work-study, scholarships, and part-time employment, through the Office of Student Financial Aid. **Phone:** 608-262-3060; **Address:** 333 East Campus Mall, #9701, Madison, WI 53715-1382; **E-mail:** [finaid@finaid.wisc.edu](mailto:finaid@finaid.wisc.edu); **Web:** [www.finaid.wisc.edu](http://www.finaid.wisc.edu)

Responsibilities include:

- Processing applications for financial aid
- Determining eligibility for financial aid awards
- Disbursing financial aid to student tuition accounts
- Adjusting financial aid awards when needed

### Office of the Registrar

The Office of the Registrar manages student records, course information, enrollment, residence for tuition purposes, student privacy rights, and student veteran services. **Phone:** 608-262-3811; **Address:** 333 East Campus Mall, #10101, Madison, WI 53715-1384; **Web:** [registrar.wisc.edu](http://registrar.wisc.edu); **Twitter:** @UWMad\_Registrar

Responsibilities include:

- Providing students with official transcripts
- Processing enrollment and degree verifications
- Offering course enrollment assistance
- Determining residence for tuition purposes
- Answering questions regarding the release and withholding of private information under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
- Administering student veterans' educational benefits

### Residence for Tuition Purposes

UW-Madison is a state-funded public university. Based on Wisconsin state law, in-state students and out-of-state students pay different rates of tuition. Initial residency classification for tuition purposes is determined by the Office of the Registrar. For more information, contact a residency counselor. **Phone:** 608-262-1355; **Address:** 333 East Campus Mall, #10301, Madison, WI 53715-1384. **E-mail:** [res4tuition@em.wisc.edu](mailto:res4tuition@em.wisc.edu); **Web:** [registrar.wisc.edu/residence.htm](http://registrar.wisc.edu/residence.htm)

**PLEASE NOTE: Tuition and University Housing are on two separate bill systems, have different billing and due dates, and must be paid separately. Refer to the schedule on page 11 for each system.**

## Undergraduate Costs

Although the cost of attending UW-Madison will vary among students, the university bases its financial aid package on cost estimates or "budgets." Following are the estimated average costs for an undergraduate for the 2014-15 academic year.

	Resident	Non-Resident	Minnesota Resident
Tuition and fees*	\$10,424	\$26,674	\$13,214
Books and supplies**	1,200	1,200	1,200
Room and board***	8,600	8,600	8,600
Miscellaneous****	3,214	3,214	3,214
Travel	1,024	1,674	1,370
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$24,462</b>	<b>\$41,362</b>	<b>\$27,598</b>

Business and Engineering undergraduate tuition is an additional \$1,000 and \$1,400, respectively.

\* New freshmen and transfers pay an additional New Student fee of \$200 and \$125, respectively.

\*\* Does not include computer purchase.

\*\*\* This amount represents the cost used for financial aid calculations. Depending on the University Residence Hall assigned to a student, the 2014-15 rate for a double room is between \$5,546-\$6,496, plus \$1,720 for operational costs/dining facilities and an average of \$1,280 for food. (Total estimated cost is between \$8,546-\$9,496 for a double room in University Residence Halls.)

\*\*\*\* Miscellaneous includes clothing, upkeep, recreation, personal, medical/dental, and cell phone expenses.

### Minnesota/Wisconsin Reciprocity Agreement

Minnesota residents must apply to the Minnesota Office of Higher Education for verification of their eligibility for reciprocity. Online application: [www.getreadyforcollege.org](http://www.getreadyforcollege.org)

### Course Drop/Withdrawal and Tuition Cost Adjustments

The date a course is dropped determines eligibility for a tuition cost adjustment. For more information about drop deadlines and course adjustments, visit [registrar.wisc.edu/enrollment\\_deadlines\\_info.htm](http://registrar.wisc.edu/enrollment_deadlines_info.htm).

### Student Veteran Services

The Office of the Registrar's Student Veteran Services assists students to apply for and receive their veteran's educational benefits. **Phone:** 608-265-4628; **Web:** [registrar.wisc.edu/student\\_veteran\\_services.htm](http://registrar.wisc.edu/student_veteran_services.htm); **E-mail:** [veterans@em.wisc.edu](mailto:veterans@em.wisc.edu)

### Bursar's Office

333 East Campus Mall, #10501, Madison WI 53715-1383  
**Cashier hours:** 7:45 a.m.-4 p.m. (9:15 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays); **Phone:** 608-262-3611 (hours: 7:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m.); **Email:** [tuition@bussvc.wisc.edu](mailto:tuition@bussvc.wisc.edu) (include student name and Campus ID in the email); **Web:** [www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar](http://www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar)

Responsibilities include:

- Provide the tuition eBill
- Apply payments and financial aid to student Tuition Accounts
- Process Tuition Account refunds



# Payments, Deposits, and Bills (continued)

## Bursar's Office

### Tuition and Fee Bills

The Bursar's Office provides the tuition and fees bill as an eBill, which is published on a secure website. An e-mail is sent to notify students and their Authorized Payers when the eBill is available.

- Tuition eBills are published the week before classes start.
- The due date is the third Friday after classes start.

**Parent access to view Tuition eBills and make ePayments** FAQs are at [www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckfaq.html](http://www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckfaq.html). Your student must set you up as an Authorized Payer on his or her My UW Student Center before you can log-in to view or pay Tuition eBills, or receive eBill email notification.

Once set up, you get an e-mail containing your Authorized Payer login name, a temporary password, and the link to log into the TUITION site at [bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html](http://bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html).

- If you have multiple students at UW–Madison, each must set you up with a different Authorized Payer name. (You can use the same password.)
- This is for tuition bills only. Authorized Payers must be set up on the UW Housing website to access Housing eBills.

### The Tuition eBill/ePayment Website

Your Web browser pop-up blocker must be turned OFF to log in to this website. Use Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Safari.

**"Your Personal Information":** Where you change your password or "secret question" (used to reset your password if you forget it), or update your email if it changes.

**"Your Published Bills":** Click "view" to open the eBill online.

- New charges or payments added after a bill is published will update the "Current Tuition Account Balance" and be itemized on the next eBill.

### Tuition Payment Methods

Debit or credit cards are not accepted, nor is there a payment plan. Tuition payment methods are listed below. More details are at [www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/otherpay.html](http://www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/otherpay.html).

### Make an ePayment

Click the link on [bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html](http://bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html).

- Only use a personal checking or savings U.S. bank account.
- An ePayment applies to the Tuition Account right away.
- International students can pay with a foreign currency.
- There is no charge for making an ePayment.

### Mail a Check

Include student's name and Campus ID on any check sent to UW–Madison. A mailed payment must be in the Bursar's Office (not postmarked) by the due date to avoid a late fee. Do not mail cash. Make the check payable to UW–Madison, and determine whether to mail the payment to address 1 or 2 below.

1. If you printed the eBill, **include the top section of the Tuition Account Statement** with a check and mail to Bursar's Bank Lockbox: UW–Madison, PO Box 204, Milwaukee, WI 53278-0204.
2. Mail all the following checks directly to: UW–Madison Bursar, 333 East Campus Mall, # 10501, Madison, WI 53715-1383.
  - a. Scholarship checks (add a note that it is a scholarship)
  - b. Check payment without the top section of the eBill
  - c. Checks from Edvest or other 529 College Savings Plan
  - d. Checks from a bill-paying service or investment account
  - e. Checks sent Overnight Delivery (such as FedEx or UPS)

### Pay in Person at 333 East Campus Mall

Pay with cash or check at the Bursar's Office, room #10501, during cashier hours, 7:45 a.m.–4 p.m., weekdays

- Checks can be placed in the dropbox near the first-floor elevators, or on the 10th floor near #10501. Dropbox hours are at: [www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/tuitaddr.html](http://www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/tuitaddr.html)

### Financial Aid (Loans, Grants, Scholarships) Disbursement

All financial aid is applied to the student's Tuition Account and only pays tuition and fees.

- Deliver scholarship checks that you have to the Bursar's Office.
- Financial aid starts applying to Tuition Accounts a week before classes start.
- Financial aid only pays tuition charges (not housing or books).

**If there are remaining funds after tuition and fees are paid, a refund is issued to the student.** (Exception: Parent PLUS loan refunds are issued to the parent.)

### Tuition Account Refunds

**eRefunds** are processed daily and deposited directly into the personal checking or savings account the student provides.

- Only students are eligible for eRefund.
- Students enroll for eRefund through their My UW Student Center.

**Paper refund checks** are processed weekly

- Refund checks for students not enrolled for eRefund are mailed to the student's My UW "Mailing" address.
- Refund checks for Parent PLUS loans are mailed to the parent's "Home" address.

## Housing

During the year, university students will receive four quarterly University Housing bills. An e-mail is sent to notify students and Authorized Payers when a new bill is published and available for viewing on Housing's secure website. The first-quarter bill is published during the first week of July.

### Authorized Payer

Students may give parents and other individuals the ability to view Housing bills online and make electronic payments to their Housing account by setting them up as an Authorized Payer in Housing's online payment system. **Web:** [www.housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/authorizedpayer](http://www.housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/authorizedpayer)

### Housing Payment Options

#### Payment Methods for Housing Bills

**Online:** [www.housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/payment](http://www.housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/payment)  
Students and authorized third parties (parents, guardians, third-party sponsors, etc.) can pay Housing bills online using an electronic check (eCheck) or credit card (Mastercard, Visa, Discover, or American Express). A 2.75 percent convenience fee is charged for all online credit card payments. There is no additional charge for electronic check payments.

**By mail:** Checks and money orders can be sent to: Division of University Housing, Cashier's Office–Slichter Hall, 625 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706-1213.

**In person:** Payments can be made in person at the Housing Cashier's Office, 625 Babcock Drive, Monday–Friday 7:45 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Accepted forms of payment include checks, money orders, and cash.

# Payments, Deposits, and Bills (continued)

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## UW–Madison HOUSING and TUITION Billing and Due Date Schedule

University Housing and Tuition Accounts are on separate systems, have a different billing and due date schedule, and must be paid separately. An e-mail is sent to notify students and their Authorized Payers when an eBill is available to view on each of these systems.

### UNIVERSITY HOUSING

Log into [www.housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/payment](http://www.housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/payment) to view, print, or pay UW HOUSING bills

Division of University Housing, Cashier's Office - Slichter Hall, 625 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706-1213; Phone: 608-262-2230

HOUSING	Date eBill is Published	Housing Due Date	Housing: Accepted Forms of Payment
<b>First-Quarter</b> Residence Halls Room & Board	Friday July 11, 2014	Monday August 11, 2014 (Note: due date is Sept. 8, 2014, if paying with financial aid)	<b>Online ePayment:</b> Log in to pay at <a href="http://housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/payment">housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls/payment</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electronic check (eCheck): No transaction fee.</li> <li>• Credit card: American Express, Discover, MasterCard: 2.75% convenience fee</li> </ul> <b>Mail:</b> Checks and money orders accepted. <b>In Person:</b> Checks, money orders and cash accepted. Refer to <b>Housing Payment Options</b> on page 10 for detailed payment instructions.
<b>Second-Quarter</b> Residence Halls Room & Board	Friday September 19, 2014	Monday October 20, 2014	
<b>Third-Quarter</b> Residence Halls Room & Board	Friday December 5, 2014	Monday January 5, 2015 (Note: due date is Jan. 26, 2015, if paying with financial aid)	
<b>Fourth-Quarter</b> Residence Halls Room & Board	Friday February 13, 2015	Monday March 9, 2015	

### TUITION

Log into [www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html](http://www.bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html) and click View and print tuition eBills / Make ePayment

The Bursar's Office, 333 East Campus Mall #10501, Madison, WI 53715-1383; Phone: 608-262-3611

TUITION	Date eBill is Published	Tuition Due Date	Tuition: Accepted Forms of Payment
<b>Fall 2014</b> Tuition and Fees	Friday August 29, 2014	Friday September 19, 2014	<b>Online ePayment:</b> login to pay at <a href="http://bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html">bussvc.wisc.edu/bursar/echeckparent.html</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pay using only a regular checking or savings U.S. bank account.</li> <li>• Do NOT enter a DEBIT card account number.</li> <li>• Foreign students have the option to pay using a foreign currency.</li> </ul> <b>Mail:</b> Checks accepted. <b>In Person:</b> Checks and cash accepted. <b>Credit cards:</b> Are NOT ACCEPTED for TUITION payment. Refer to <b>Tuition Payment Options</b> on page 10 for detailed payment instructions.
<b>Spring 2015</b> Tuition and Fees	Friday January 16, 2015	Friday February 6, 2015	
<b>Summer 2015</b> Tuition and Fees	Bills begin publishing Wednesday, May 13, 2015 Bills and due dates depend on session/s of enrollment.	Friday June 19, 2015 (Unless noted differently on the eBill.)	

**NOTE:** Billing for International Academic Programs STUDY ABROAD is separate from Tuition and on a different billing and due date schedule.

# Payments, Deposits, and Bills (continued)



## Wiscard

Wiscard is UW–Madison’s photo ID card for students, faculty, and staff. It is also a door-access card for students living in University Residence Halls and provides access to library services, recreation facilities, and the Wiscard account. The Wiscard account is a simple, safe, and money-saving method for purchasing dining and school-related items at more than 50 locations on campus.

**Contact Wiscard:** Union South, Room 149, 1308 W. Dayton Street, Madison, WI 53715; Phone: 608-262-3258; Hours: 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., CST, Monday–Friday; E-mail: [wiscard@union.wisc.edu](mailto:wiscard@union.wisc.edu).

## Food Discounts

When paying with Wiscard, students receive discounts on food purchases at University Housing and at more than 25 Wisconsin Union locations.

Locations	University Housing Residents	Students Not Living in University Housing
<b>UNIVERSITY HOUSING DINING UNITS</b>	30% discount on prepared food 20% discount on packaged food No sales tax	5% discount on all food No sales tax
<b>WISCONSIN UNION DINING &amp; RETAIL UNITS</b>	5% discount on all food No sales tax	5% discount on all food No sales tax

## Other Purchases

In addition to food, Wiscard can be used for purchases at numerous locations across campus for other school-related products and services. This can include textbooks, course packets, laundry in the residence halls, printing, computer supplies, campus convenience store items, clothing, and on-campus entertainment. Wiscard can only be used to purchase goods and services. Funds cannot be withdrawn from the account.

## How to Deposit Money

Funds can be conveniently deposited by cash, check, debit card, or credit card. For all students, we recommend an initial deposit of \$350–\$400 for books, supplies, and other items to make sure your student is ready to go once he or she gets to campus. For students living in University Residence Halls, we also recommend an additional deposit of \$300 for food to get started.

Online	By Mail or In Person		In Person
<a href="http://wiscard.wisc.edu">wiscard.wisc.edu</a> Can also check balances, view transaction history, and set low-balance notifications online.	Wiscard Office Union South, Room 149 1308 W. Dayton Street Madison, WI 53715	University Housing Cashier’s Office, Slichter Hall 625 Babcock Drive Madison, WI 53706	Gordon Dining & Event Center Lower Level, Dining Office 770 W. Dayton Street

## Student Privacy Rights (FERPA)



FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) is a federal law that governs the privacy of student educational records, access to those records, and disclosure of information from them. Public directory information that can be released without the student’s written consent includes name, postal addresses, telephone numbers, e-mail addresses, date of birth, etc. A student has the right to restrict the release of his/her public directory information by placing a FERPA restriction on that data. Prior to enacting a restriction, a student should carefully consider how the decision may affect him or her in unexpected ways. Students wishing to restrict some or all directory information should log in to his or her Student Center from My UW, click on “Privacy” under Personal Information, then click on the “FERPA Restriction” tab. Students can also elect to “Restrict Third Party Mail” within the Student Center in order to receive less junk mail.

Parents and/or guardians do not have access to student educational records without the student’s written consent. UW–Madison encourages parents to talk with their students about grades, classes, balances on food accounts, and other private information. UW–Madison school officials must protect the privacy of student educational records and shall not disclose personally identifiable information about a student or permit inspection of the student’s records without his/her written consent unless such action is permitted by FERPA. Students can authorize the release of their student educational records to employers or others with written consent.

Questions about student privacy and FERPA should be directed to the Office of the Registrar. **Phone:** 608–262–3811; **Address:** 333 East Campus Mall, #10101, Madison, WI 53715-1384; **Web:** [registrar.wisc.edu/ferpa\\_overview.htm](http://registrar.wisc.edu/ferpa_overview.htm)

# The First-Year Experience

The transition from high school to college is an important milestone in the life of your student. While every student is different, feelings of nervousness, excitement, pressure, and success are quite common. The following timeline is designed to provide you with information about transitions that students commonly face during their first year of college. We recommend that parents take on a coaching or mentoring role and encourage students to make their own decisions and chart their own path. You can use the information you learn at SOAR and from the Parent Program to refer your student back to on-campus resources. The following pages will help you anticipate things that your student may experience and will provide a useful tool for supporting him or her through this transition.

## UW–Madison New Student Timeline

### Late Summer

The weeks leading up to the start of classes can be filled with anxiety and anticipation. Students may be wondering if they will like it at UW–Madison. Will they like their roommates? Will they make friends? Will they be able to succeed in their classes? What will happen to their relationships with high school friends and family members?

#### Advice for Parents and Families

Be prepared for your student's and your own conflicting emotions as the day of departure approaches. Discomfort is part of the process. Talk with your student about academic expectations and encourage him/her to set goals. Make a financial plan and openly discuss payment/spending expectations. Talk about how often you plan to communicate with each other. Discuss the use of alcohol and other personal choices your student will be making. Encourage responsibility, but know you cannot control what happens. View additional resources on the Parent Program website to see what other parents recommend to help during this transition.

#### Conversation Starters

- What are you most looking forward to about attending UW–Madison?
- What are you most nervous about?
- What plans do you have for saying goodbye to friends who are staying home or going to other schools? What plans do you have to stay in touch?

### September

As students move to campus and begin classes, they are faced with new opportunities to make their own choices and experience new freedoms. Feelings of homesickness and the desire for frequent contact with family are common (see the information box on the next page for ways to be supportive of a homesick student). Students are also getting to know their roommates, making new friends on campus, and finding their way around. This tends to be a time when students incur a lot of expenses for items such as textbooks, school supplies, and room decorations/furnishings.

*Parents' Weekend*  
September 19–21, 2014

**Connect with campus.  
Experience tradition.  
Make memories.**

**Parent Program**  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–MADISON

[parent.wisc.edu/parents-weekend](http://parent.wisc.edu/parents-weekend)

#### Advice for Parents and Families

Remember that you are now transitioning into being a coach and mentor to your student. Listen with an open mind and be supportive. Encourage your student to attend campus welcome activities and meet new friends. Ask about classes, friends, and opportunities for involvement.

#### Conversation Starters

- What is your roommate like?
- Which classes seem most interesting to you?
- Have you found a good place to study?
- What events have you attended?
- Is the amount of money we agreed upon working out?
- Are any of your classes harder than you expected?  
How are you managing them?

### Mac or Windows? What you should know about buying technology

DoIT provides your student with a wide variety of technology resources and discounted computing products to address their academic needs.

**DoIT Tech Store.** When deciding on the computing and technology equipment you'll need, we recommend you work with our knowledgeable Tech Store staff. They can provide expert advice and walk you through the process of acquiring the right technology for your needs. The DoIT Tech Store has discounted purchasing on a wide variety of computing, software, and accessory products. For more information visit [www.doit.wisc.edu/students/](http://www.doit.wisc.edu/students/).

#### DoIT Help Desk

Regardless of the type of computer, students can get general computer support at the DoIT Help Desk seven days a week. Immediate access to support is available through our online, chat, and phone support. The Help Desk can assist in diagnosing hardware issues and can recommend repair options. The Help Desk provides free virus detection and removal. They are also an authorized warranty repair provider for Apple and Dell computers, and can provide hardware installation, repair, and data recovery services. **Phone: 608-264-4357; Web/Chat: [helpdesk.wisc.edu](http://helpdesk.wisc.edu); E-mail: [help@doit.wisc.edu](mailto:help@doit.wisc.edu)**

# The First-Year Experience

## October / November

Classes are in full swing, and students are beginning to get feedback on their progress. Some may be surprised at the amount of work they have for their classes and may struggle with managing their time. Others will be disappointed about grades on their first exams or papers. Roommate conflicts may also flare up at this time after the initial “honeymoon” phase is over (see the box on the next page for how to be supportive during roommate conflict). In addition, course enrollment for spring is quickly approaching, and students will be making plans with their academic advisors. Many students are already discussing their housing plans for next year. Of course, life will still continue at home, and students will want to stay informed about what’s going on with their families.

### Advice for Parents and Families

To be reassuring to your student, express confidence that he or she can succeed in this environment. Have two-way conversations: let your student know what’s going on at home and don’t make any major changes—moving, vacations, remodeling his or her room, etc.—without talking about it first.

Talk about study skills and time management, and refer to campus resources. Encourage your student to form relationships with his or her instructors for help and consult with an academic advisor when selecting next semester’s classes.

Discuss plans for upcoming events, such as a trip home for Thanksgiving. Break periods are approaching quickly—how will this change things in your home? Ask about study time, workload, and involvement in campus organizations/activities.

## What Is a House Fellow?

House Fellows are juniors and seniors who live in the halls and work with residents to build a strong community. They help students address problems and get connected on campus. Encourage your student to get to know his or her House Fellow.



As your student begins to make housing decisions for next year, talk about all of the factors to consider, including whether to remain on campus or move off campus, and how to handle meals. Pay special attention to what type of living environment will help your student be most successful academically. Make sure your student knows that the residence halls offer many programs popular with returning upperclass students. If your student chooses to live off campus, encourage taking plenty of time to make a decision. Important information about living off campus, and the most comprehensive listings for available rentals in downtown Madison, can be found at the Campus Area Housing website: [www.campusareahousing.wisc.edu](http://www.campusareahousing.wisc.edu).

### Conversation Starters

- How are you managing the workload? What is your study schedule?
- What courses are you thinking of taking next semester?
- Are you thinking about joining any groups or clubs or activities? Which ones? Why?
- Have you met with any of your professors or teaching assistants and your advisor?
- What can you do differently on your next exam/paper to do better? What is working well?

## Homesickness: Should I Be Worried?

Homesickness is normal! As with any major transition period, students will have their ups and downs. Many students feel homesick at one time or another during their first year. Here are some suggestions for ways you can be supportive.

- **Reassure your student that this is NORMAL.** Remember, this is a major life transition, which is not often easy.
- **Continue to listen with an open mind and be reassuring.** Let your student know that you believe he or she will succeed. Use the information you learned at SOAR and through the Parent Program to refer your student back to on-campus resources and services that can help.
- **Keep encouraging your student to make friends.** For some students, it may be better to look around for other students who are alone and strike up a conversation. For others, it is better to connect with a group of students. If the first person is not someone he or she connects with, the second or third might be.
- **Encourage your student to attend events and join organizations.** There are more than 900 student organizations at UW–Madison. Students should continue doing things they love—the activities that have contributed to their success in getting to this point—as well as try new things. Volunteering or getting a job are also great ways to connect with other students and learn outside of the classroom.
- **The University Health Services Counseling Center is an excellent, confidential resource** for students who are homesick. For assistance with urgent mental health concerns, 24-hour crisis-intervention services are available to UW–Madison students, and to others concerned about a UW–Madison student, by calling 608–265–5600.
- **Encourage your student to talk to his or her House Fellow or Resident Advisor.** House Fellows are trained and experienced in supporting students who are homesick. They also have access to resources and people who can help.

# The First-Year Experience

## December

As final exams approach, students may feel more stress about academics. This, combined with the onset of winter weather in Wisconsin, can leave some students feeling run down. While they may be excited for the semester to end, some students are also disappointed about missing holiday preparations at home.

### Advice for Parents and Families

Sending a care package that includes healthy snacks, cold remedies, and favorite holiday items from home can go a long way to boosting your student's spirits and his or her immunity to illness. Discuss plans for winter break, including vacation time, working, or doing work for classes. Understand that planning for the holidays is not the same without everyone present.

### Conversation Starters

- What are you doing to stay well during finals week?
- Which exams are you most concerned about?
- What could I send you to help you feel better?
- What do you want to do at home during your break?



## Winter Break

With final exams finished, many students return home for winter break, and there may be concerns about how they will adjust to routines at home. For many, winter break is an opportunity to catch up on sleep and reconnect with friends they haven't seen in months. They will also begin to receive their first-semester grades and experience joy, disappointment, or relief.

### Advice for Parents and Families

Conversations about expectations and schedules before and after your student returns home can help ease the transition for all family members.

### Conversation Starters

- Let's talk about how the rules will change for you when you are home, now that you are a college student.
- What was the best part of your first semester in college? What would you do differently?
- What classes are you taking next semester?
- Have you thought about where you are going to live next year?

## January/February

Students should strive to return from winter break with renewed energy for the semester ahead. This is a typical time for students to reassess their time-management strategies and turn over a new leaf, if necessary. Students may also engage in more exploration about their majors or careers, changing their minds or solidifying previous choices. Also, students begin thinking about spring break, including making plans for travel, work, or catching up on coursework.

### Advice for Parents and Families

The house is empty again—it's a roller coaster ride! You might feel some anxiety about your student's grades. This is a good time to review or revise budgets based on a semester's worth of experience. Also ask what changes might need to occur to ensure academic success. Encourage spring break safety. Inquire about taxes and the FAFSA, and, if you haven't done

so already, talk with your student about plans for living arrangements next year. Also see October/November's advice for parents and families regarding making housing decisions.

### Conversation Starters

- What do you like about your new classes?
- Are you doing anything differently with your studying this semester?
- Have you decided what you are doing for spring break?
- Tell me about your good friends on campus.
- Have you decided where to live next year?

## Roommate Conflict

It's completely normal for conflict to develop between roommates as both students may be sharing a room for the first time, perhaps with someone who is quite different from himself or herself. Most students are able to work things out when they discuss issues directly with one another.



As a parent, you can support your student through this process by referring him or her to resources provided by University Housing, rather than by getting directly involved yourself. If the roommates cannot work things out themselves, encourage your student to contact his or her House Fellow. House Fellows are upper-class students who undergo a rigorous selection and training process. An important role of House Fellows is to help students create a comfortable living situation. They are trained in conflict resolution and are available to discuss roommate conflicts privately or with your student and his/her roommate to find a compromise. If no negotiation is possible, the House Fellow will then contact the appropriate staff within University Housing to seek further solutions to the situation.

# The First-Year Experience

## March/April/May

Spring break comes and goes, and many students start making plans for the summer, all in the midst of another set of midterms. Most students feel more confident with their time-management skills and experience less stress with their exams this time around. They will also be enrolling in classes for the fall and considering options for the summer. Some students will have mixed feelings about leaving Madison for the summer, and others will decide to stay to take classes and/or pursue summer work opportunities. As the spring semester ends, you are likely to be amazed at the changes in your student and all that he or she has accomplished this year.

### Advice for Parents and Families

With a year under your student's belt, this is a good time to check in about credit card use. Talk about any changes that should be made for academic success. Encourage your student to take advantage of Choosing a Major Workshops offered by Cross-College Advising Service. Ask your student whether taking a summer course might be part of a strategy to stay on track for graduation or a chance to focus on a challenging course. Think about your own plans for the summer. If your student is returning home, discuss expectations regarding rules and responsibilities for the summer, as well as expectations for earning money and saving for the upcoming year. To help with this transition, see the box titled "Coming Home for the Summer."

### Conversation Starters

- What value could taking a summer course provide? Have you discussed summer courses with your advisor?
- What courses are you taking next year? Are you starting to narrow in on a possible major?
- What are you looking forward to about your living arrangements for next year?
- How do you think you have changed this year?
- What do you wish you had done differently in your first year of college?
- I am so proud of everything you have learned and accomplished this year!

## Summary of Advice for Families

Change is exciting and can also be stressful. Be prepared for your student's—and your own—conflicting emotions during this time of transition. Discomfort is a normal part of the process.

- Express your confidence that your student will be able to successfully navigate this new environment. By serving more as a coach than a problem solver, you will help your student develop this ability.
- Talk with your student about how often you will communicate by phone, letter, email, or text message. Discuss the frequency of visits home and family visits to campus, and be aware that these tend to change each semester.
- Talk with your student about expectations regarding academics, major choice, and careers. Encourage your student to set his or her own academic goals. Be aware that the college learning environment is very different from high school, and students may not immediately earn the same superior grades as they did previously.
- Make a financial plan and talk about how your son or daughter intends to pay for expenses. Discuss payment/spending/employment options.
- Discuss the use of alcohol and other personal choices that your student will be making. Encourage responsibility, but know that you cannot control everything that happens.
- Acknowledge that college is a time for students to try new things and meet people who might be different from them in a variety of ways. Be supportive as your student engages in new activities and moves outside his or her previous comfort zone.
- Inform your student about major changes at home (moving, remodeling his or her room, etc.).
- Help your student stay connected to activities at home. Acknowledge that your student may be sad about missing family birthdays, holidays, and community events. Find creative ways to keep him or her involved and informed.
- Send care packages with notes from home, practical items, or treats to share with roommates and friends. These are especially welcome during more stressful times of the semester.

## Coming Home for the Summer



When your student comes home for the summer after freshman year at college, life will be different from what it was before. Although that seems obvious, without giving it some prior thought, misunderstandings and conflicts can arise when your student seems to be following a script that is different from yours.

Living away from home for a school year is a life-changing event, and your student will be comfortable with and used to independence, especially coming and going without checking in with anybody. That could be an area of conflict if you expect a phone call to let you know when your student will be home.

On the other hand, you may be anticipating newfound maturity and independence, and be disappointed to find the kitchen sink filled with dirty dishes, laundry left for you to do, and the gas tank on empty when you need the car. It can be daunting to realize that even though your student is now technically an adult, your role as a mentor and coach is still in play. In the process of launching him or her as an independent adult, you will need to continue reinventing just what that role is.

You also may think you know your student's interests and identity, but you could find that he or she has made some major changes without discussing those changes with you. The young woman who was set on being a veterinarian may now want to study history, and she may also refuse to participate in the family religion. The young man who was adamantly opposed to an earring may come home with a tattoo or a nose ring.

There may be some emotional and rocky times during the summer, but your lives will be enriched if mutual respect and listening are the guides you and your student establish for staying connected with each other.

# THE BUCKY LIST

A Bucky List is a bucket list for students to complete before graduation. A Bucky List is unique to every student, but it still represents a shared Badger experience. The Bucky List also provides an opportunity for alumni to share their favorite memories and advice. We invite you to encourage your students to make their own list, and join in on some of the fun yourself!

## Academics/Involvement

- Discover secret study spots, such as the State Historical Society and the 13th floor of the Educational Sciences Building
- Attend office hours and form relationships with your professors
- Get involved with research on campus
- Volunteer in the Madison community through the Morgridge Center for Public Service
- Attend a Distinguished Lecture Series through the Wisconsin Union Directorate

## Arts/Sciences

- Attend the Spring Varsity Band Concert
- Visit campus museums, such as Geology or Physics, or the Chazen Museum of Art
- Visit the Carillon Tower on Sundays and listen to Lyle Anderson play

- Go to a student art event, such as an a cappella or Bhangra performance
- Stargaze at the Washburn Observatory

## Athletics

- Go to a sporting event you've never attended, such as a rowing event on Lake Mendota
- Participate in Jump Around and the Fifth Quarter at a football game
- Go to a hockey or basketball game at the Kohl Center
- Commit to running Crazylegs with a group of friends

## Community Engagement

- Take a free tour of the Capitol
- Explore Madison beyond campus and State Street using your free buss
- Go to the Capitol Square, for Farmers' Market or Concerts on the Square

## Food and Dining

- Try a new food cart
- Eat lunch at the Slow Food Cafe
- Enjoy Babcock ice cream at the terrace
- Experience Madison's unique restaurants during Restaurant Week

## Student Life

- Get your photo taken with Bucky
- Spend a summer in Madison
- Head to the top floor of Van Hise Hall and take in an aerial view of Madison
- Nap on Bascom Hill
- Rub Abe's foot for good luck
- Go sledding on Observatory Hill
- Walk or bike to the end of Picnic Point
- Explore the Arboretum, Allen Centennial Gardens, Olbrich Gardens, or other natural areas



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