



# WELCOME TO START 2024

STudent Advising, Registration and Transition

JUNE 10, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 20, 21, 24

CHECK-IN: 8-8:45 A.M | PROGRAM ENDS: 4 P.M.



# WELCOME TO START!

START (STudent Advising, Registration, and Transition) is a one-day program that first-year students are required to attend. At START, first-year students and their families will receive information about attending UW-La Crosse and academic advising to assist students in selecting their first semester courses. Students will register for their fall classes during START. In order to best prepare for START, complete the following steps!

# 1

## REGISTER NOW TO ATTEND START

Sign-up for a START date before Friday, May 31, 2024. Students just attend one of the START dates. Select a date that works in your schedule and allows you to spend the entire day with us. A limited number of spaces are available each day. When a date fills to capacity, we will not be able to accommodate additional students on that day. There is no 'best' date to attend. We have steps in place to open seats in classes throughout the START dates to ensure a wide variety of classes for all students to select - including those attending the final days. Please direct questions to the Admissions Office by calling 608.785.8939 or emailing [admissions@uwlax.edu](mailto:admissions@uwlax.edu). If you have an unavoidable conflict and find it impossible to attend any of the START dates, you must contact the Admissions Office by May 31, 2024 for additional instructions.

## REGISTER ONLINE TO ATTEND A START DATE:

- Go to your WINGS Student Center at: <https://wings.uwlax.edu>
- Log on using your username and password. Trouble logging in? See "How to Access WINGS" below.
- Scroll down to the Admissions Section and click on START Registration.
- Complete the registration form and select a registration date by May 31, 2024. If you need to change the date, you may go back to the WINGS Student Center and follow the prompts to make any changes. Please remember that a limited number of spaces are available each day. When a date fills to capacity, we will not be able to accommodate additional students on that day.
- A confirmation box will open when you click 'save'. Please make sure you turn off any pop up blockers.

Stryker Eagle ID 123456789

Student Center | General Info | Admissions | Transfer Credit | Academics | Finances | Financial Aid

Stryker's Student Center

Academics

My Class Schedule | Shopping Cart | My Planner

You are not enrolled in classes.

other academic... >>

Finances

My Account

Account Inquiry

Financial Aid

View Financial Aid

other financial... >>

Student Choice Refund

Make a Deposit/Payment

View My Bill

Grant Access to View/Pay Bill

Personal Information

Emergency Contact

Contact Information

Home Address 1234 Eagle Way La Crosse, WI 54601 La Crosse	Local Address None
Home Phone 123.456.789	UW-L E-mail sTrykErRoCks@uwlax.edu

Admissions

START Registration

My Applications

UW-La Crosse	College of Science & Health	Fall 2024	Admitted
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Communication Archive

Access Communications

Search for Classes

Holds

No Holds.

To Do List

Final Official HS Transcript

Enrollment Dates

Open Enrollment Dates

Advisor

Program Advisor

None Assigned

Financial Resources

Tuition Billing Information

Tuition Fee and Refund Info

1098T Tax Forms

Enrollment Resources

Enrollment Verification

Official Transcript

WINGS Student Center Help

Other Resources

WI Voter Verification "pop-up"

Search for Scholarships

Print or take a screenshot and save this confirmation for your record. This record indicates you have successfully signed up for a date.

*Please note: If you do not have a record of selecting the date (and the sign up was not successful), you will need to go back into WINGS and sign up for a date that is still open.*

**VIEW YOUR START DATE**

After you successfully sign up for a date, the date will appear below the "START Registration" link in your WINGS Student Center.

## HOW TO ACCESS WINGS

Your WINGS Student Center username and password was sent to you by email when you applied for admission. If you have misplaced your WINGS Student Center username and password, go to [www.uwlax.edu/info/password-reset/](http://www.uwlax.edu/info/password-reset/) and use the password management option to reset your password. If you need further assistance logging into your WINGS Student Center, call the UWL Eagle Help Desk at 608.785.8774.

# 2. TAKE THE UW SYSTEM PLACEMENT TESTS

We are happy to share that the at-home exams for University of Wisconsin Placement testing are ready and available to complete. All new students planning to enroll at UWL are **required** to submit results of the University of Wisconsin Placement Tests prior to registration for classes regardless of credit earned as it will allow you the greatest selection of courses during the START program. To ensure your placement test scores are received in a timely manner, students should take the placement tests prior to May 15, 2024.

- Math Placement Test is required for all students.
  - UW-La Crosse students should complete **Math Test A**, the un-proctored, online, on demand math test.
- English Placement Test is required for all students.
- World Language Placement Test is required to enroll in Spanish, French or German language courses, including those students who have taken college credit language classes as transfer courses.

Registration for the University of Wisconsin Placement Tests can be found here: <https://exams.wisc.edu/placement/regionaltesting/information.php>. Placement test scores are part of your student record and are used by your advisor to plan your course schedule. Students who have not taken placement tests may not be able to enroll in math, English, language, or science courses.

# 3. COMPLETE HEALTH FORMS

The Student Health Center (SHC) forms are used to verify a student's immunization record, and to provide the SHC staff with information about specific health concerns and emergency notification contacts. Please note that all incoming UWL students should plan to submit an up-to-date immunization history, including vaccination dates. Complete these forms by Friday, May 31, 2024.

You can fill the forms out online at [www.uwlax.edu/admissions/start](http://www.uwlax.edu/admissions/start).



# 4. INSTALL THE OKTA APP

## Complete after May 15

UWL students will be required to utilize a 2-Step Authentication Process when logging into various applications such as Office 365, email, WINGS, and Canvas. This process will require each student to log in with their NETID and password like always. Then the authentication step will confirm their identity.

START students are being encouraged to access Okta through the FREE app for smartphones, Okta Verify. This app is available at the Apple App Store or Google Play. Some students may not have a smartphone or they may prefer to use a fob.\*

An Okta website is available which provides information on this project and also includes important self-help guides: <https://kb.uwlax.edu/131529>

\* For students without access to a smart phone, the YubiKey (fob) is available for purchase. More information about recommended devices and where to purchase can be found here: <https://kb.uwlax.edu/131580>



# 5. LOGIN TO YOUR UWL EMAIL

## Complete after May 15

All UWL students will be issued their UWL email and Microsoft Office 365 account. Office 365 is an integrated experience of apps and services that will help you be successful as a UWL student. Get apps like Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and more, updated monthly with the latest features and security updates. To access your UWL email and Microsoft Office 365 account, please refer to the following website: <https://kb.uwlax.edu/90072>.

\* Pro Tip: Download the Microsoft Office mobile app to have easy access to your email.

# BEFORE YOU ATTEND START

## 6. SUBMIT YOUR STUDENT ID PHOTO

### Complete after May 15

Students can submit their photos to the ID Card Office through the 'GET Funds' application. Complete instructions can be found at [www.uwlax.edu/university-centers/services/id-photo-upload-info/](http://www.uwlax.edu/university-centers/services/id-photo-upload-info/) or you can scan the QR code. Submit your photo at least two days prior to your START date and pick up your student ID Card during START.

**Need Help?** Contact the Card Office at 608.785.8891 or [uwlcardoffice@uwlax.edu](mailto:uwlcardoffice@uwlax.edu)

\* Pro Tip: By downloading the GET Mobile application you can also do the following:

- Upload an ID Photo
- Purchase Campus Cash
- Purchase Block Meal plans
- Check your account balances for Campus Cash, Dining Dollars, Meal Swipes, and Block Meals
- Use digital ID for Dining Locations Only



### PHOTO REQUIREMENTS:

White or Blue Background (no scenery)	No hats, sunglasses, friends, family, pets, etc.	Photo should be top of your head to mid-chest	Photo format must be 1mb and .jpg or .jpeg (may need to crop to be less than 1mb)	Photo must be forward facing (think driver's license photo)
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## 7. INSTALL NAVIGATE

### Complete after May 15

College can be tough sometimes. Navigate Student makes it easier by letting you know how and when to get important things done. Through a UWL specific app, Navigate Student helps you connect with classmates, complete essential tasks, and explore campus resources. With Navigate Student App, you can...

- See upcoming to-dos and events, so you never miss important deadlines
- Get connected to help when you need it
- Sync your class schedule and other significant events directly to your phone
- Connect with your classmates to study for upcoming exams



# 8.

## PREPARE

This program provides important information and advice for you and your family. We strongly encourage all students to bring a laptop computer. Having your own computer will be helpful during course registration. A limited number of computers will be available to those who do not bring a laptop. To view FAQs regarding the program, print copies of the mailed materials, or to view the latest event information including possible road construction or detours, please visit: [www.uwlax.edu/start](http://www.uwlax.edu/start).

## CANVAS

Canvas is the UWL learning management platform used for learning and instruction. Prior to your START date, you will be sent information on how to access your Canvas account. You will be invited to access a START preparation course where you will review necessary information, watch academic videos, and explore important resources. This information will be useful as you register for classes at START.



# PLAN YOUR DAY.

## BEFORE YOUR START DATE:

- Review and complete the START Preparation Course in Canvas. See page seven.

## WHEN YOU ARRIVE ON CAMPUS

- Check in before 8:45 a.m. at the Student Union. Park in lot C-12 or the parking ramp (refer to the campus map on the back of the program). No parking permit will be required for your visit.
- At check-in, you will receive a registration folder and your student ID card if your submitted photo was approved. If you did not submit your photo or it was not approved, there will be an opportunity to take your photo during the day.

## HAVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WITH YOU ON YOUR START DATE:

- This packet and a pen
- A laptop (see "Prepare" section on page seven for more information)
- Your WINGS username and password

If you have misplaced this information, reset your password at [www.uwlax.edu/info/password-reset/](http://www.uwlax.edu/info/password-reset/)

- Driver's license or government issued photo ID (required to obtain student ID)

## SCHEDULE

8-8:45 a.m.	<b>CHECK-IN</b> (Student Union, First Floor)
9-9:25 a.m.	<b>WELCOME AND GENERAL SESSION</b> An outline of the day's events and other essential information will be provided.
9:40-10:40 a.m.	<b>SESSION 1*</b>
10:55-11:55 a.m.	<b>SESSION 2*</b>
11:55 a.m.-12:40 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b> Provided for student. Cash and credit options are available for guest(s).
12:45-1:45 p.m.	<b>SESSION 3*</b>
2-2:30 p.m.	<b>STUDENT REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS</b>
2:30-3:20 p.m.	<b>COURSE REGISTRATION</b> Students will begin registering for courses at the same time, but will complete the process at their own pace ending at different times.
2:30-4:00 p.m.	<b>RESOURCE FAIR AND RESIDENCE LIFE OPEN HOUSE</b> <i>(optional)</i> Visit with various campus resource offices to get all your questions answered. Residence halls will be available for students and guests to view.

\* Sessions 1, 2 and 3 will be rotating sessions. They include individual academic advising appointments and various campus resource offices.





# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## ACADEMIC ADVISING

Prior to your START date and through Canvas, you will view academic videos related to the general education program, your degree path, advanced placement courses, and math, English and world languages placement. In addition, there will be videos related to your college or school at UWL. The colleges and schools include:

- College of Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities (CASSH)
- College of Business Administration (CBA)
- College of Science and Health (CSH)
- School of Education (SOE)

When you attend your START date, you will be assigned an individual academic advising appointment with an academic advisor to discuss course selection, review requirements, and learn about opportunities in your field of study.

Toward the end of your START date, you will register for classes.

To ensure registration in key courses for your major, you may see a partial schedule begin to appear in your WINGS Student Center before your START date; however, you will not have access to the scheduling process until your START date. At the registration session, you will complete your schedule with additional courses selected by you and/or recommended by your advisor.

## FIRST-YEAR COURSE WORK

is generally focused on the requirements of the General Education Program. Some majors and programs require specific General Education courses; you will be advised about this when you meet with your program or major advisor. Most students will be registering for 12-18 credits. In order to be considered a full-time student, you must take at least 12 credits.

You may also begin to familiarize yourself with your academic major requirements. The catalog website ([www.uwlax.edu/programs](http://www.uwlax.edu/programs)) will outline requirements. Department websites are linked within the catalog and will include additional information about faculty, resources, and opportunities. Course descriptions for all courses offered may be viewed at [www.uwlax.edu/coursedescriptions](http://www.uwlax.edu/coursedescriptions).

## THE GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

provides a well-rounded foundation for your bachelor's degree. Your fall semester classes will include a number of General Education courses, so you may want to become familiar with the General Education program by reviewing the information at [www.uwlax.edu/GErequirements](http://www.uwlax.edu/GErequirements).

## AP, IB, CLEP, AND/OR COLLEGE CREDIT

should be discussed with your advisor at START. If you took any of these exams during your junior year, you should already know your scores. If they were taken during your senior year, scores will not be reported until July. Official score reports must be sent to the Admissions Office to earn credit. If you have taken any college courses, please have an official final college transcript sent to the Admissions Office as soon as your final grade is posted. It is helpful to receive these transcripts prior to START so any credit earned may be posted to your record. More information about AP, IB and CLEP credit can be reviewed at [www.uwlax.edu/admissions/ap-ib-clep-credit/](http://www.uwlax.edu/admissions/ap-ib-clep-credit/).

## SUGGESTIONS TO HELP YOU PREPARE

For new students (and many family members), college registration is a new experience. If you are looking for some suggestions to help you prepare for START, we recommend you visit: [www.uwlax.edu/go/startadvising](http://www.uwlax.edu/go/startadvising).

## NEW STUDENT ENROLLMENT FEE

To support the cost of enrollment related programs, such as New Student Orientation and START, a \$175 fee will be added to your fall semester bill.



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### WHICH DATE IS BEST TO ATTEND?

There is no 'best' date. Select a date that works in your schedule and allows you to spend the entire day with us. We have steps in place to open seats in classes throughout the START dates to ensure a wide variety of classes for all students to select - including those attending the final days. There will be enough classes available to create a beneficial schedule for your first semester no matter which date you attend.

### WHAT IF MY FAMILY MEMBERS CANNOT ATTEND WITH ME?

While we encourage family members to attend START, only you (the student) are required to attend.

### WHAT IF I HAVE CHANGED MY MAJOR SINCE APPLYING TO UWL?

This can be taken care of when you register for your START date. Please log into your WINGS Student Center at <https://wings.uwlax.edu> and scroll down to the Admissions section. Click on 'START Registration.' You will be able to select a new major based on your interests. Click 'save' and your major will be updated.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### AUGUST:

- Residence Life Move-in Details
  - Information will be shared by the first week of August about selecting your move-in date.
  - Review the Residence Life website to see what to bring to campus: [www.uwlax.edu/go/move-in-guide](http://www.uwlax.edu/go/move-in-guide)

### SEPTEMBER:

- Move-In: *Aug. 29-Sept. 2*
  - Students are encouraged to move in by 12 p.m. on Saturday, Aug 31 to fully participate in New Student Orientation activities.
- New Student Orientation: *Aug. 31-Sept. 2*
- First Day of Classes: *Sept. 3*
- Eagle Fest: *Sept. 6*

### OCTOBER:

- Family Weekend: *Oct. 4-6*

To view the academic calendar please visit:

[www.uwlax.edu/records/dates-and-deadlines/](http://www.uwlax.edu/records/dates-and-deadlines/)

### WHAT IF I CANNOT ATTEND START?

We understand there may be special circumstances preventing you from attending START. Please contact the Admissions Office at 608.785.8939 or [admissions@uwlax.edu](mailto:admissions@uwlax.edu) by May 31, 2024.

### WHERE CAN I FIND DIRECTIONS TO CAMPUS?

[www.uwlax.edu/visit](http://www.uwlax.edu/visit)

For a campus map, see back page.

### WHAT IS THE GPS ADDRESS FOR THE STUDENT UNION?

521 East Ave. N.  
La Crosse, WI 54601

### SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

To request disability accommodations (accessible seating, interpreting, closed captioning, large print materials, FM systems, etc.) contact Sam Pierce at [spierce@uwlax.edu](mailto:spierce@uwlax.edu) or 608.785.8068.

### LODGING

If you are looking for hotel accommodations in the La Crosse area, visit [www.explorelacrosse.com](http://www.explorelacrosse.com)

area code (608)

- Academic Advising Center .....785.6950
- ACCESS Center.....785.6900
- Admissions Office.....785.8939
- Career Services.....785.8514
- Cashier’s Office.....785.8719
- Counseling and Testing Center .....785.8073
- Dining Services .....785.8888
- Financial Aid Office.....785.8604
- Health Center .....785.8558
- Information Calls: Campus Operator. ....785.8000
- International Education & Engagement. ....785.8016
- Multicultural Student Services.....785.8225
- New Student & Family Programs.....785.8055
- Parking and Transportation Services. ....785.8061
- Pride Center .....785.8888
- Records and Registration .....785.8951
- Residence Life.....785.8075
- Student Life Office .....785.8062
- Student Support Services.....785.8535
- University Centers. ....785.8888
- University Police: Non-Emergency.....785.8000
- Emergency.....789.9999
- Veterans Services.....785.8631



**University of Wisconsin-La Crosse  
Admissions Office**

608.785.8939 | 608.785.8940 fax  
TTY: 608.785.6900  
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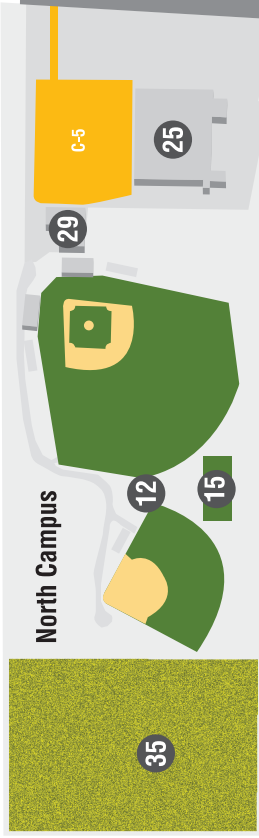
Office Hours:  
Monday through Friday  
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

[www.uwlax.edu/admissions](http://www.uwlax.edu/admissions)





North Campus



# UW-LA CROSSE

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1725 State St. | La Crosse, WI 54601

- Commuter Parking (C Lots)
- Resident Parking (R Lots)
- Motorcycle/Moped Parking
- Parking Pay Station

1/4 mile  
**PARK HERE**

To 90  
→



### RESIDENCE HALLS

- \*\*1 Angell Hall - C2
- \*\*2 Coate Hall - D2
- \*\*3 Drake Hall - C3
- \*4 Eagle Hall - E3
- \*\*5 Hutchison Hall - C2
- 6 Laux Hall - E6
- \*7 Reuter Hall - E6
- \*\*8 Sanford Hall - E6
- \*9 Wentz Hall - C3
- \*\*10 White Hall - D6

### OTHER FACILITIES

- \*\*11 Archaeology Center - B5
- 12 Baseball/Softball Fields - G3
- \*13 Cartwright Center - A5
- \*14 Centennial Hall - B4
- 15 Challenge & Ropes Course - F3
- \*16 Child Care Center - D4
- \*17 Cleary Alumni & Friends Center - E5
- \*18 Cowley Hall - C5
- \*19 Fieldhouse - C7
- \*20 Graff Main Hall - A5
- \*21 Health Science Center - C1
- 22 Heating Plant - B5
- 23 Hoeschler Tower - B4
- \*24 Lowe Center for the Arts - B3
- \*25 Maintenance Building - G5
- \*\*26 Mitchell Hall - B6
- \*27 Morris Hall - A4
- \*28 Murphy Library - C4
- \*29 North Field Equipment Building - G4
- \*30 Parking Services - D5
- Police Services - D5
- \*31 Prairie Springs Science Center - C5
- \*32 Recreational Eagle Center - D3
- \*33 Roger Harring Stadium at Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex - C6
- \*34 Soccer/Lacrosse Building - E7
- 35 Student Recreation Fields - G1
- 36 Student Union - D5
- 37 Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex - D7
- 38 Veterans Memorial Monument - C6
- 39 West Campus Chiller Plant - C1
- \*\*40 Whitney Center - D2
- \*41 Wimberly Hall - D4
- \*42 Wing Technology Center - A4
- \*43 Wittich Hall - B5

\*Handicapped accessible  
\*\*Limited accessibility

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