

**THE BEST START
FOR THE LIFE
YOU WANT**



Reasons to choose UW–Rock County

UW–Rock County, one of the 13 freshman/sophomore campuses of the UW Colleges, is your best start on a bachelor's degree and unlimited career opportunities.

- **Small classes** (average size is 24 students), with plenty of one-on-one attention, make the transition to college less stressful.
- The best start doesn't come with a big price tag. **We offer the lowest tuition in the UW System.**

- **Professors are approachable.** In addition to being great teachers and scholars, they are known for going the extra mile to help students succeed during the critical first two years of college.
- When you're ready to move on, the **UW Guaranteed Transfer Program** ensures admission to the UW four-year campus of your choice including UW–Madison. Our students graduate at higher rates than students who transfer from technical or private colleges.
- Our **“Engaging Students in the First Year”** program will help you learn what it takes to be successful in college and will connect you with resources and classmates during your first days on campus.
- **A strong curriculum** provides a solid foundation for success in future academics and careers.
- **Advisors are readily available** to help plan your class schedule, explain transfer options and examine career choices.
- **Opportunities for involvement** (athletics, clubs, the arts) are within your reach immediately so it is easy to meet people and fit in on campus.



Enrollment

1211 students (fall 2010)
53% full-time; **47%** part-time
46% male; **54%** female
66% 21 & under; **34%** 22 and older
9% students of color



Tuition

rock.uwc.edu/admissions/tuition

Start ahead by paying the **lowest tuition** in the UW System when you attend UW–Rock County.

- Live at home a year or two and **save up to \$15,000 on room and board expenses**. Many students actually leave UW–Rock County without any debt.
- Attending two years at UW–Rock County **saves you more than \$4,800** in tuition compared to the other four-year UW campuses, **and up to \$9,600** compared to the Madison and Milwaukee campuses.
- Almost half (45%) of the financial aid offered is in the form of **grants and scholarships** that don't have to be paid back. Sixty-three percent of our students receive financial aid.
- **Keep your current job** while you attend classes or see if you are eligible for a work-study job.
- **Only 39% of UW Colleges students** use student loans compared to 55% at UW four-year campuses.
- **Our 2010–11 tuition and fees are the lowest** in the UW System.



How to pay for college

Most aid is based on financial need and is designed to help meet the difference between the cost of college and your (or your family's) ability to pay.

To find out if you are eligible for financial aid, you need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Be sure to write in UW Colleges code **#003897**.

You may apply for financial aid anytime after *January 1* preceding the

academic year that you plan to attend college. If you have submitted all forms by April 1, you will be given funding priority.

There are four types of financial aid: grants, loans, work-study employment and scholarships. Each year, UW–Rock County awards about 40 scholarships totaling more \$50,000. For complete information, visit www.rock.uwc.edu/foundation/ or call 608-758-6565 ext. 390.

2011–12 Tuition & Fees at UW–Rock County (for Wisconsin Resident)

UW–Madison	\$9,665	You Save \$4,816
UW–Milwaukee	\$8,675	You Save \$3,826
Average of other four-year UW campuses	\$7,283	You Save \$2,434
UW–Rock County	\$4,849	

Campus Life

- 25+ student organizations
- 4 sports teams
- 2 honor societies
- 225-seat theatre

rock.uwc.edu/studentlife/organizations/



Housing

UW–Rock County does not own or operate on-campus residence hall facilities. While many students attending our campus live at home and commute, there are also a number of students who reside in locally-owned apartments or houses. Students interested in exploring local housing options are encouraged to view housing listings in the classified section of local newspapers.

Associate Degree

rock.uwc.edu/academics/programs/

If you are like most students and are undecided about a major, an Associate of Arts and Science (AAS) degree can be particularly valuable. It fulfills the University of Wisconsin's system-wide general education requirements for freshmen and sophomores.

You also have the choice of earning the AAS degree with a

specific Emphasis (a concentration of coursework in a given discipline or area of study). This is an opportunity to enhance your AAS degree with a direction geared toward a specific major.

Emphasis programs currently available at UW–Rock County are listed below. Available Emphases could change so check with our Student Services Office for the most up-to-date list.

- Anthropology
- Biological Sciences
- Business
- Chemistry
- Communication Arts
- Computer Science
- Economics
- Education
- Engineering
- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Geosciences
- Health Science
- History
- Mathematics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Pre-Nursing
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Theatre Arts



UW Colleges Online

You can also supplement your UW–Rock County credits or earn the AAS degree through UW Colleges Online. This convenient option of taking courses over the internet is described in detail at www.online.uwc.edu

Faculty

93% have Ph.D.'s or the highest degree in their field

24 average class size

12% persons of color

42% female



Bachelor/Collaborative Degrees

rock.uwc.edu/academics/bachelors/

How do you earn a bachelor's degree? You meet course requirements in two main categories.

- General education requirements offered at UW–Rock County.

Many UW–Rock County students mark the completion of the first half of a bachelor's degree by earning the Associate of Arts and Science degree (see opposite page).

- Major program of study.

Many degree programs require some prerequisite courses before admission into a particular major. UW–Rock County offers many of these prerequisites.

To receive a bachelor's degree, most students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. After getting your best start at UW–Rock County you can complete your bachelor's degree by:

- Transferring to a UW four-year campus or any other college or university.
- Staying here at UW–Rock County and taking advantage of the Collaborative Degree Program. We've teamed with five UW institutions to offer the following bachelor's degrees right on our campus:

Campus Highlights

- Computer Laboratories
- Gary J. Lennox Library
- Learning Support Center
- Kirk Denmark Theatre
- Theodore Robinson Art Gallery
- Fitness Center

Collaborative Degree Programs Offered

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| ■ UW–Platteville
– Electrical and Mechanical Engineering | ■ UW–Milwaukee
– Organizational Administration
– Communication
– Information Sciences & Technology | ■ UW–Whitewater
– Liberal Studies |
| ■ UW–Oshkosh
– Nursing | | ■ UW–Madison
– Connections Program |



Transfer

www.uwc.edu/transfer/

Guaranteed Transfer Program

The Guaranteed Transfer Program makes it possible for students to begin their education as new freshmen at UW–Rock County and be guaranteed admission as a junior to any of the UW four-year campuses including UW–Madison.

After fulfilling certain credit and grade point average requirements, you will transfer with all the rights and privileges as those who began their education at the four-year campus.

To learn more, check out www.uwc.edu/transfer/guarantee.

Credit Transfer

How will your credits transfer? The answer is just a click away. The Transfer Information System (TIS) website at tis.uwsa.edu makes the transfer process understandable by showing:

- How the courses you take at UW–Rock County will transfer to any campus in the UW System.
- Which courses to take to fulfill specific requirements at your intended transfer campus.
- Which schools offer your intended major.

UW Colleges is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association. Therefore, credits earned at UW–Rock County will also be accepted by private colleges and universities in Wisconsin and throughout the country.



Majors

Start ahead on more than 200 majors at UW–Rock County.

rock.uwc.edu/academics/majors/



How to Apply

www.apply.wisconsin.edu

Nervous about the application process? Don't be. It's a lot simpler than you might think. Just follow these steps.

READY (How to apply)

1. Complete and sign the UW System Application for Undergraduate Admission with a \$44 processing fee. **Apply online at www.apply.wisconsin.edu.**
2. Submit an official copy of your high school transcript. To be admitted you will need a high school diploma or GED, and have taken a minimum of 17 high school credits including:
 - 4 English credits
 - 4 elective credits
 - 3 social science credits
 - 3 math credits
 - 3 natural science credits
3. Send your ACT or SAT (American College Test or Scholastic Aptitude Test) scores to us. (The ACT or SAT is not required of students over 21 or special students.)

SET (You've been admitted)

1. Apply for financial aid. You can find the FAFSA form (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at your guidance office, at our campus or at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
2. After you're admitted, take placement tests in English and math to determine which classes you'll need to take.
3. Submit a scholarship application.

GO!

1. Meet with a UW–Rock County advisor, who can help you plan your classes, discuss your transfer goals and talk about your expectations.
2. Register for classes. As a UW–Rock County student you'll be able to register for classes online.
3. Participate in the new freshmen orientation.



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The University of Wisconsin Colleges Annual Security Reports include statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the campus and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault and other matters. You can obtain a copy of each campus report by contacting the Office of Student Services at each campus or by accessing the following website: www.uwc.edu/students/security

UW UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
Colleges

The freshman/sophomore UW campuses

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