Our Philosophy
The University of Wisconsin–Madison has a holistic, competitive, and selective admission process. Our counselors will consider your high school coursework, written statements, standardized test scores, extracurricular activities, and a letter of recommendation, if you choose to submit one. We have an understanding of the course offerings and grading scale at your school, so we will look closely at your high school transcript to assess the rigor of your curriculum and your performance in those courses. We are also looking for consistent involvement in activities in or out of school, leadership, community involvement, or any special interests or talents that you would bring to our university.

High School Academic Preparation
Your high school record should demonstrate rigor and breadth in the type of coursework you pursue. A competitive academic record should show challenging advanced-level work, such as AP, honors, or IB courses, in as many areas as possible, while maintaining a strong GPA. The following chart shows the number of years that most admitted students studied in each subject area:

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<th>Subject Area</th>
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<td>English</td>
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<td>Math†</td>
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<td>Single Foreign Language‡</td>
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<td>Additional Academic/Fine Arts</td>
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| Total Units | 19–22 |

† Math requirement includes at least one year each of algebra, geometry, and advanced math, or an integrated sequence of courses. Courses that will not fulfill this requirement include statistics, business math, and computer classes.
‡ Students who are not native English speakers can satisfy the foreign language requirement if they were educated in their native language through grade eight.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

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<td>First Fall Notification</td>
<td>November 3</td>
<td>By the end of January</td>
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<td>Second Fall Notification</td>
<td>February 2</td>
<td>By the end of March</td>
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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–MADISON
Apply to UW–Madison

1. **Application and Fee:** Use the online application to save your progress and return to complete sections as needed. The application fee is $44.
   - [admissions.wisc.edu/apply](http://admissions.wisc.edu/apply)

2. **Two Written Statements:** On the application, you must answer two questions in the form of a short essay. As part of our holistic review, we refer to the written statements to understand more about you.

3. **Official Transcripts:** We require official transcripts for all high school work, including any study at collegiate or summer programs. They should be sent to us directly from each school. Submit your official score report if you earned a GED or HSED.

4. **Test Scores:** We require scores from either the ACT Plus Writing or the SAT. They must be sent directly from the testing agency. Our test code is 4656 for the ACT Plus Writing and 1846 for the SAT.

5. **Letter(s) of Recommendation:** Though not required, we would like to see at least one recommendation from someone who can attest to your academic ability. Request that your recommenders use our online form.
   - [admissions.wisc.edu/submit/recommendation](http://admissions.wisc.edu/submit/recommendation)

**GPA and Class Rank**

We know that grading scales vary among high schools and that some schools do not report a GPA or assign class rank. Our counselors will review your academic record within the context of your school and consistency of GPA and class rank if provided.

**International Applicants**

International freshman applicants from non-English speaking countries must submit a TOEFL or IELTS score, unless English was the language of instruction for all courses in all years of secondary school. Generally, admitted students have an internet-based TOEFL score in the 95-105 range (587-620 on the paper-based test) or an IELTS score of 6.5-7.5. Request that official IELTS scores be sent directly from the testing agency to the Office of Admissions and Recruitment. Our TOEFL test code is 1846.

**Join Our Mailing List**

Join our mailing list to get current admissions materials. We will also share campus event announcements and reminders about the application process. Make sure your current address and email are on file.
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**CLASS PROFILE: FALL 2014**

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**Middle 50% Range**

- GPA: 3.7–4.0
- Class rank (reported by 53% of applicants): 84–97 percentile
- ACT: 27–31
- SAT: 1800–2070

**Fall Projected Enrollment by Residency**

- Wisconsin/Minnesota: 4,475
- Out of State: 1,383
- International: 392

**Top Five U.S. States:**
- Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, California, New York

**Top Five Non-U.S. Countries:**
- China, India, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Thailand

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**Visit Our Campus**

Spend a day here to get a sense of our energetic students, countless activities, and to experience beautiful Madison, Wisconsin. Come for an information session and tour, but also take the time to hear a guest speaker, check out a sporting event, catch a performance, or explore downtown.

- [visitbucky.wisc.edu](http://visitbucky.wisc.edu)

**Connect with Us**

Make us part of your social network to ask questions, meet other students, and get the latest news and reminders posted by the Office of Admissions and Recruitment.

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- [instagram.com/UWMadisonAdmissions](http://instagram.com/UWMadisonAdmissions)
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