**Student Body**
- Fall 2009 freshman class of 5,680 students
  (11% students of color, 5% international)
- 28,690 undergraduates from every county in Wisconsin,
  all 50 states, and 130 countries
- Total enrollment of 42,099
- Close to 2,000 transfer students enrolling each year

**Academics**
- 8 undergraduate schools offering 157 majors and 4,500 courses
- Opportunities to study abroad, participate in honors programs,
  complete an internship, conduct hands-on research, and take
  service-learning courses
- 29 students in the average undergraduate class
  (only 10% of classes with 100 or more students)

**Faculty**
- 2,000 faculty members who are both recognized scholars and
  committed to classroom teaching
- Student-to-faculty ratio of 17 to 1

**Student Life**
- 750 student organizations and clubs
- 1,500 performing arts events each year
- 48 fraternities and sororities
  (10% of students participate in Greek Life)
- Big Ten Badger athletics featuring 23 varsity sports
- Recreational sports opportunities, including 35 club teams
  and 40 intramural sports

**Housing**
- The choice to live on campus, in one of our University Residence
  Halls, or in one of the privately owned residence halls, apartments,
  and houses that surround campus
- Most freshmen live in the University Residence Halls, taking advan-
  tage of learning communities, study rooms, classrooms, academic
  advising, in-room Ethernet connections, wireless access points,
  and nationally recognized food service and dining options
- Housing information is sent to all admitted students

**Campus and Madison**
- Beautiful campus covering 933 acres along the shore of Lake Mendota
- Convenient south central Wisconsin location, 80 miles from
  Milwaukee, 150 miles from Chicago, and 270 miles from Minneapolis
- 5 area lakes and more than 100 miles of running, hiking, and
  biking trails
- Ideal location in the state capital city of Madison (pop. 220,000),
  which tops many “best” lists—best place to live and work, best col-
  lege sports town, one of America’s safest cities, and a top green city
- 10 minutes from Dane County Airport, which offers more than 100
  daily flights and nonstop service to 15 major cities

**Rankings**
- #13 among the nation’s best public universities
  (U.S. News & World Report 2011)
- 14th best value in American public higher education
  (Kiplinger’s Personal Finance 2010)
- 70 academic programs ranked in the nation’s top 10
  (Fiske Guide to Colleges 2010)

**Financial Aid and Scholarships**
- 60% of undergraduates receive financial assistance totaling $183
  million
- Awards based on demonstrated financial need and in recognition of
  academic merit, athletic ability, and artistic talent
- Combination of academic excellence and great value recognized
  by The Princeton Review, Barron’s Best Buys in College Education,
  Kiplinger’s Personal Finance, and The Fiske Guide to Colleges

**ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE 2010–11**

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*Room cost is based on double occupancy in a University Residence Hall. Food (board) cost is a combined estimate for standard residence hall food service and typical off-campus food purchases.
Alumni
- 382,000 alumni living around the world
- Top producer of S&P 500 CEOs (Wall Street Journal 2010)
- 17 Nobel Prize-winners and 29 Pulitzer Prize-winners who have studied or taught at Wisconsin
- Notable alumni include astronaut Jim Lovel, Wisconsin governor James Doyle, Heisman Trophy-winner Ron Dayne, actresses Joan Cusack and Jane Kaczmarek, novelist Joyce Carol Oates, Vice President Dick Cheney, MLB commissioner Bud Selig, journalists Greta Van Susteren and Anthony Shadid, and Earth Day-founder Gaylord Nelson

Campus Visits
- Group admission information sessions followed by student-led campus walking tours offered most weekdays
- Weekend visit program features a campus walking tour beginning at noon on Saturday and Sunday
- Additional opportunities exist to sit in on a class, tour a recreational facility, and attend an academic presentation by area of interest
- The easiest way to make a reservation is online at www.visitbucky.wisc.edu, or phone 608–262–3318

Admission Expectations
- Admission is both competitive and selective
- Admission counselors review each application individually
- Academic preparation, and specifically the rigor of course work, is the primary consideration for admission
- Students who are most competitive for admission generally carry 4–5 academic courses each year, as well as AP, IB, honors, and advanced courses whenever possible

The following elements are considered during freshman application review:
- High school performance (rigor of course work, academic GPA, grade trends, and/or class rank)
- ACT and/or SAT scores (including writing test)
- Nonacademic qualifications (extracurricular activities, leadership, service, and talent)
- Personal statements
- Recommendations

Transfer applicants are evaluated based on cumulative GPA, rigor of course work, course breadth, grade trends, and nonacademic qualifications

Application Dates and Deadlines
Applications for freshmen are accepted beginning September 15.

All applications completed by February 1 receive full and equal consideration. We offer two notification periods as follows:
- **First Notification Period:** To receive a decision during the First Notification Period, students must complete the application and submit all required materials by November 1. Admission decisions for these students will be made on or by January 15.
- **Second Notification Period:** Students who complete their applications during the Second Notification Period (after November 1 but before the February 1 application deadline) will have decisions made on or by March 15.

Applying during the First Notification Period will not increase the likelihood of admission. It simply gives students the opportunity to receive their decisions sooner.

These deadlines and notification dates apply to new freshmen only. For transfer applicants, international applicants, and reentry students, February 1 is our application deadline for fall admission and October 1 is the deadline for spring.

How to Apply
- Students should apply online at apply.wisconsin.edu
- Students who prefer to apply on paper can download the application at www.admissions.wisc.edu

Profile of Admitted Students
Here are the general qualifications of admitted freshmen. These figures are not cutoffs. They are the middle 50% range for each indicator, so 25% of admitted students fall below the range and 25% place above it.

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Questions? We’re Here to Help.

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