

ADMISSION STATUS

APPLYING FOR ADMISSION - DEGREE SEEKING

Students seeking admission to a graduate program at UW-Platteville as a degree seeking student must first apply for admission. You may apply online by using the UW System electronic application at <https://apply.wisconsin.edu>. There is an application processing fee of \$56, which may be charged to a credit card. Applications will not be processed until the application fee is paid.

Applicants must submit an official transcript from the institution awarding their undergraduate degree. Individual programs may have additional admission requirements; please review the program's page in the catalog for program-specific admission requirements. The faculty in the program area will evaluate each application for admission. Recommendations for admission, including admission status, will be based on a number of factors such as academic background in specific areas, performance in specific areas, recommendations, and previous graduate work. UW-Platteville has the right to deny admission to a student based on the student's prior academic standing at UW-Platteville or any other institution.

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Upon being admitted, students will be classified in one of the following categories:

FULL STANDING

Full Standing – To be eligible for admission in full standing, a student must have an overall undergraduate grade point average of 2.75 or above; or 2.90 on the last 60 credits from the degree-granting institution.

EXTENDED REVIEW

If students do not meet the stated full standing requirements, an extended review will be conducted and the following requirements may be taken into consideration for full admission standing:

- Bachelor's degree GPA of 2.5-2.75
- Graduate course work with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Nontraditional students (bachelors' degree earned more than five years before date of application)
- Degree in a non-related field
- Degree from a non-U.S. institution of higher education

Students will be notified if they need to submit additional materials for review. For this extended review, students are required to submit a letter addressing how they will be successful in the program; including how the program will relate to their future career goals and/or how they have overcome barriers to past educational success. Interviews, letters of recommendation, and evidence of professional experience may also be requested.

DISCRETIONARY

In the event a student meets admission for full standing with exception of having an undergraduate degree posted; a student may be admitted as a discretionary admit. Students will be allowed to enroll in classes, however, an official transcript from the degree granting institution with the undergraduate degree posted, must be received prior to the first day of classes to remain enrolled.

FULL ON PROBATION

Students may be admitted as full standing on probation when full standing criteria are not met. This status is to be used only in extraordinary cases. Admission must be justified by the admitting department and approved by the Provost Designee. Students admitted on probation must complete the two courses recommended by the program coordinator at the time of admission. After a student has completed the courses and achieves a 3.0, the student's status can be changed to full standing. If the student has not completed the courses successfully or achieved a 3.0, the student will be dismissed.

RE-ENTRY

A previously degree-seeking UW-Platteville graduate student who stops out may later apply for re-entry in the same or a new graduate program at UW-Platteville. Eligibility for re-entry is based on previous graduate work at UW-Platteville and is subject to current university policy related to graduate admission. Previously accepted transfer credits, waivers, and completed coursework at UW-Platteville may be applied to the new admission only upon approval of the relevant program coordinator and the Provost Office designee. Such approval is also subject to current UW-Platteville graduate transfer policy. A student for whom readmission is denied may continue graduate coursework at UW-Platteville as a special (non-degree-seeking) student, if desired. A special student may re-apply at a later date, if qualified for admission under current degree-seeking admission requirements.

NOT ACCEPTED

Students who are not eligible for admission are encouraged to take classes as a special student (please see Applying for Admission – Non-degree Seeking). Each program determines the number of credits that students should take as special students and the grade they must receive to be considered for admission in the future. Students should not take more than 12 credits as a special student.

ASSIGNMENT OF ADVISOR

An advisor will be assigned to each degree-seeking graduate student by the program area.