UW-Madison Transfer Checklist

Application Process:

Spring Regular Decision: October 1  
Decision: End of December

Fall Priority Decision: February 1  
Decision: End of March

Fall Regular Decision: March 1  
Decision: End of April

☐ Submit the UW System application at [https://apply.wisconsin.edu](https://apply.wisconsin.edu)
☐ Submit official high school transcripts.
☐ Submit 2 essays (for details refer to [https://admissions.wisc.edu/apply-as-a-transfer/](https://admissions.wisc.edu/apply-as-a-transfer/))
☐ Submit 1 letter of recommendation (for details refer to [https://admissions.wisc.edu/apply-as-a-transfer/](https://admissions.wisc.edu/apply-as-a-transfer/))
☐ Submit official transcripts from each college or university you have attended.

Send transcripts to:

University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Office of Admissions and Recruitment  
702 W Johnson Street, Suite 1101  
Madison, WI 53715-1007

☐ If you want to earn your Associate of Arts & Science degree before transferring, please confirm your progress with your Academic Adviser
☐ Once you have met with your Academic Adviser and know that you are eligible to earn your degree, apply for graduation through your WINS account. Log into WINS, click Academics → Graduation, and follow prompts for AAS.

Admission Criteria:

- Transfer admission is a holistic and selective process, and no single criterion guarantees admission. The following factors are taken into consideration when reviewing applications: Cumulative grade point average (GPA), rigor of coursework, course breadth (showing a combination of English, math, science, literature, social science and foreign language), grade trends and patterns, high school performance (more or less important depending on the number of college credits earned), and required courses
● (one year of HS algebra, plane geometry, and college-preparatory math, and 2 HS years or 2 college semesters of a single foreign language).

● We also review your extracurriculars and the positive impact they have had on you as a student. If they matter to you, they matter to us. On your application, you can list your extracurriculars, including activities and involvement, leadership, service, employment, talents and interests.

● Transfer students interested in professional programs in the Schools of Business, Education, Nursing, and Pharmacy are required to apply for admission to those programs. You may be eligible to apply to a professional program when you apply to the university if you have met that program’s course prerequisites. Please consult our schools and colleges websites for course prerequisites, GPA requirements, and application procedures and deadlines.

● Students must have completed (or be completing) at least 24 semester hours (credits) of transferable course work.

**Campus Visits:**
You may view options for visiting the UW-Madison campus here:
[https://apps.admissions.wisc.edu/visitbucky/](https://apps.admissions.wisc.edu/visitbucky/)

**Note to former UW Colleges Students:**
On July 1, 2018, UW Colleges officially joined seven four-year UW institutions. The University of Wisconsin Extended Campus is the custodian of all student records and transcript requests for students enrolled at a UW College or UW Branch Campus prior to September 1, 2019. Please visit this website for more information on requesting transcripts from UW Colleges or a Branch Campus. [https://www.wisconsin.edu/uwc/requesting-a-transcript/](https://www.wisconsin.edu/uwc/requesting-a-transcript/)