

# University of Wisconsin “Direct Admit”

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## *What is “Direct Admit Wisconsin”?*

Direct Admit Wisconsin is an initiative by the Universities of Wisconsin System designed to streamline the admission process for high school students. Under this program, qualified students are offered admission to Wisconsin Universities based on their grades and coursework after their junior year, bypassing the traditional application process. Instead of applying directly, students are admitted based on criteria provided by their high schools. Currently, all universities in the UW System participate in this initiative, except for UW- Eau Claire, UW- La Crosse, and UW- Madison.

## *Eligibility:*

- 1) Students must be enrolled in a participating school district and choose to participate in the program.
- 2) Required credits for eligibility:
  - a. 4 credits in English
  - b. 3 credits in Math
  - c. 3 credits in Social Studies
  - d. 3 credits in Science
  - e. 4 credits in additional electives
- 3) Students must be on track to graduate from their participating high school.
- 4) Test scores are not considered for direct admission; however, students may need to submit them for scholarship or course placement decisions.

## *Marshfield High School and Direct Admit Wisconsin Partnership*

- In the fall of the 2023-2024 school year, the School District of Marshfield became a participating district in the Direct Admit Wisconsin program with the University of Wisconsin System.
- The graduating class of 2025 will be the first to benefit from this partnership.
- **Students not accepted through Direct Admit into their university of choice are still encouraged to complete the normal application process.** This is following the UW recommendation.
- Interested students/families can apply for Direct Admit by completing the steps outlined on the MHS website:
  - Select “Direct Admission Programs”
  - Select “Directions for Direct Admit Wisconsin”
  - Read the letter and follow the prompts provided

### **What do parents/families agree to if they participate?**

By participating in the Direct Admit program, students and their families consent to share their information with the University of Wisconsin System to facilitate a streamlined admissions process. They also agree to receive communications related to the program. The data shared includes high school district information, student name, WISEid, high school student ID, graduation year, physical address, school email address, Grade Point Average (GPA), legal sex, and race/ethnicity. This information is accessible to staff in the university administration and admissions offices.

*Note: Federal guidelines require the collection of race/ethnicity and is used in aggregate for federal reporting. Demographic information is not a factor in the direct admission decision process.*

### **Acceptance**

Qualifying students will receive their Direct Admit official admission offer via email, hard copy letter, and/or their high school student portal between late July and early October. The communication will specify which UW universities or campuses have offered admission. To accept their offer, students must complete a Direct Admit form. This acceptance will connect them with the University for additional information and to indicate their preferred UW universities for further exploration. There is no fee to accept the offer, and students can connect with as many universities as they wish.

#### **PARTICIPATING UNIVERSITIES**

