University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Points of Pride

**Students**

Total enrollment: 23,155 students
- Milwaukee campus: 22,066 students
  - 17,360 undergraduates
  - 4,387 graduate students
- UWM at Washington County: 339 students
- UWM at Waukesha: 810 students
- Students from 72 Wisconsin counties and 49 states
- 39% of undergraduates are first-generation college students
- 1,057 veterans and military-related students enrolled, more than any other Wisconsin university

**Alumni**

More than 200,000 alumni
- 82% of graduates in the last decade live and work in Wisconsin

**Academics**

213 academic programs
- 108 graduate programs

Largest and top-rated online education program in Wisconsin
- More than 880 online courses
- 47 fully online degree and certificate programs

**Economic Impact**

- $1.5 billion economic impact on Wisconsin, according to NorthStar Consulting Group

**Community Engagement**

- Partnerships with nearly 3,000 businesses, nonprofits and other organizations
- More than 35,000 hours of service-learning completed by students
- More than 2,600 students enrolled in nearly 70 service learning courses

**Research**

- Ranked in the top 4 percent of research universities, a category known as R1, by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education
- $39.5 million in grants in 2022-23
- 2018 Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments from the national Council on Undergraduate Research. UWM has more than 1,000 undergraduate researchers.

**Only at UWM**

- Wisconsin’s only schools of architecture, freshwater sciences and public health
- The state’s largest nursing program
- An engineering college ranked in the top 15 percent in the U.S.
- A nationally recognized actuarial science program
- The state’s only bachelor’s program in ASL/English interpretation
- A film program ranked among the top 50 in the world (Variety Magazine)
- The best online education program in the state, according to U.S. News & World Report

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Strategic Partnerships

The UWM Lubar Entrepreneurship Center is a powerful resource for entrepreneurs, innovators and anyone who wants to make a positive change in their community. From courses and programs to workshops and networking, LEC provides the tools needed to transform ideas into reality.

Among its many offerings are:
- UWM Startup Challenge
- Milwaukee I-Corps Program
- University Innovation Fellows
- UWM Innovators Expo

The Center for Water Policy builds on the research of UWM’s School of Freshwater Sciences, the UW System’s Freshwater Collaborative of Wisconsin, and networks and partnerships with top scholars, scientists and policy institutions around the world.

The Northwestern Mutual Data Science Institute is an industry and academic partnership between Northwestern Mutual, UWM and Marquette University formed to inspire and cultivate passion for data science in the Milwaukee region. The groundbreaking partnership is helping to build a technology ecosystem and advance southeastern Wisconsin as a national hub for technology, research, business and talent development, while also creating an organic pipeline of tech talent.

UWM’s Small Business Development Center in its School of Continuing Education is a go-to resource for entrepreneurs and business owners. The center helps build strong frameworks for growing and improving small- and mid-sized companies while also helping launch successful new ventures. The center provides free online training as well as no-cost, confidential consulting and education programs.

Student Success

UWM is one of three major public education institutions in Milwaukee to co-found M-Cubed, a critical initiative to close the achievement gap. UWM is home to the Moon Shot for Equity’s inaugural launch in the Milwaukee region.

UWM is launching the Milwaukee Tuition Promise in Fall 2024 to ensure that incoming eligible students can meet the full cost of tuition for up to four years. The program will assist students whose families earn less than $62,000 annually or independent students who earn less than $31,000 per year. The program is structured to provide “last dollar” financial aid after federal and state grants. Students must attend full time, be Wisconsin residents, be first-time bachelor’s- or associate-degree seeking students, and meet other criteria to qualify. UWM estimates the program could assist more than 1,000 students, which would simultaneously improve their lives while boosting the number of college graduates available to meet the state’s workforce needs.

Opportunities for All

UWM has partnered with six other organizations for the Milwaukee Anchor Collaborative, which is dedicated to hiring more people of color and purchasing more goods from disadvantaged areas. Undertaken with the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce, UWM’s Student Success and Talent Pipeline Initiative places students from diverse backgrounds into internships to prepare them for career success.