

Making the most of UWM's Graduate School Open House

UWM's Graduate School is excited that you are interested in checking out all we have to offer, from the 150+ master's, doctoral, professional and graduate certificate programs, to the support and mentoring you will receive while earning your degree. We want your Open House experience to be enjoyable and informative. Here are a few tips and answers to questions you may have:

FAQs

1. Do I need to attend the whole time from 5:00-7:00pm?

No. You may show up whenever you want, and stay for as long as you want, but we expect well over 500 people in attendance so your program of interest may be busy. Plus, there are other campus resource representatives available for you to meet with and learn about all we have to offer.

2. Do I need to dress up?

No. Our Open House is a casual event intended to be a helpful and informative opportunity for you to learn about UWM's graduate programs. We suggest you wear appropriate clothing such as business-casual attire. Check out the picture at the top of our Open House web page or the video midway through the page and you will see what the Open House looked like last year, and what people were wearing: uwm.edu/graduateschool/openhouse/

3. Can I bring a guest?

You may bring a guest, however, if your guest is also interested in graduate school, they should register themselves so they would also be eligible for an application fee waiver.

4. Will there be tours of the university provided?

Not at the Open House. However, we encourage you to come take a personalized tour of our campus. If you can't visit us in person, check out our virtual tour. For both options, please visit: uwm.edu/graduateschool/visit/

Here are a few questions or topics you may want to ask your program representative while attending the Open House:

1. How do I get more information on funding, such as assistantships and fellowships?
2. What is a typical course load for a part-time and/or full-time student?
3. What is a typical length of time to complete the degree (in part-time and/or full-time status)?
4. Who are the professors in my particular area of interest? How can I contact them for more information?
5. Are there current students from my program of interest that I can contact?
6. How many students are currently in my program of interest?
7. What is the acceptance rate for my program of interest?
8. What are the program's deadlines for applying for Spring, Summer, or Fall?
9. Are there any prerequisites? What are the program's core courses?
10. Is the GRE or GMAT required for the application?
11. What options for professional development do I have while I am at UWM?
12. Does my program of interest require an internship or fieldwork?
13. Is my program more classroom-based, or lab-based?
14. Do you offer online courses?
15. Do you offer any certificate programs?