10 reasons to go to school

- 1. Improve your earning potential
- 2. Upgrade your knowledge or skills
- 3. Fulfill a dream
- 4. Prepare for a satisfying career
- 5. Prove to yourself you can do it
- 6. Be a role model for your children
- 7. Finish something you started years ago
- 8. Complete a job requirement
- 9. Better yourself personally
- 10. Expand your horizon



"I wanted to better myself. EOC helped me get my GED and enroll at MATC."

 Michael Brown is studying carpentry at MATC with the goal of becoming a cabinetmaker.

"The Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) at UWM helped me chart a plan for college. It worked."

 Esmeralda Cruz (also on the cover with her daughter) is a UWM accounting student who plans to start her own business.



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What we do.

EOC helps qualified adults:

- Earn a high school GED or Equal Value Diploma.
- Enroll in or return to college: MATC, UWM or another two-year or four-year college of your choice.

The UWM Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) offers **FREE** services to help you get started.

(EOC) is a federally funded educational opportunity outreach TRIO program sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to promote postsecondary education in underrepresented communities.

Who is eligible?

The EOC can help you if you are:

- At least 19 years old
- A resident of Milwaukee County
- From a low-income background
 A first-generation college student. (Your parents did not graduate from a four-year college.)

Eligibility also includes anyone who:

- Is a veteran or in active service with the United States
- Is disabled

EOC Partner Agencies

Milwaukee Area Technical College
 Social Development
 Commission
 United Migrant Opportunity Services
 YWCA

The more education you have, the more money you'll make over your lifetime.*

Services

EOC offers the following FREE one-on-one and group services:

Academic Planning: Our academic advising specialists work with you to develop an individual action plan that outlines your personal, career, and academic goals for success.

Campus College Tours: Attend group guided tours of two- and four-year colleges to learn about the cost, the academic programs, student support services and extracurricular activities they offer.

Enrolling in College: Assistance with college selection, admission and financial aid applications and individual college campus visits.

Academic preparation: Learn effective study habits and college survival skills.

Career Exploration: Explore your career options, meet career mentors, plan and prepare to succeed in your career and workplace.

Tutoring/mentoring: Meet and work with student, professional and other role models.

Cultural Enrichment: Attend EOC sponsored field trips, events and activities at museums, festivals and other community organized events.

* Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey.

Workshops & Tours

Annual Student Conference & Resource

Fair: Learn from motivational guest speakers, studentmentor panel, college and financial aid related workshops and community resource fair.

MATC Scholarship Workshop: Learn how to apply for MATC and other scholarships.

College Transfer Workshop: Gather information and assistance about transferring from a two-year MATC program to a four-year college.

Library Literacy Workshop: Participate in a reading workshop and a tour of the Milwaukee Public Library and its resources available to students.

Career Workshop: Attend career development presentations, workshops, fairs and tours, and meet career mentors and employers.

Academic Preparation Workshops

- Learning Styles Inventory
- Time Management
- Test Taking Skills

Study Skills

- Effective reading strategies
- Essay writing essentials
- Math study skills
- Critical thinking & problem solving skills

Basic Computer Skills

- Word Processing: Type-setting papers, presenting your papers and projects
- Social Media Etiquette

You will be notified by flyers sent regularly in the mail announcing upcoming EOC events, workshops and field trips. EOC always provides bus tickets to and from these events and will provide refreshments or pay admission fees when possible.