Admissions Policies: International Students

International applicants seeking undergraduate admission to UWL should follow the instructions below.

Application and fee: Applicants must complete the UW System online application (https://apply.wisconsin.edu/) and pay the undergraduate application fee.

Academic records: Official, certified, or attested copies of academic records from all secondary and post-secondary institutions attended are required, even if the program was not completed. Documents issued in languages other than English must be accompanied by certified English translations. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the issuing institution(s) or through an electronic secure document sending service. Transcripts that are marked “Issued to Student” or that are hand delivered by a student will not be accepted unless the transcript remains sealed in the original envelope from the issuing institution(s).

- Transfer students: Course descriptions, course outlines, or syllabi may be requested in order to complete a transfer credit evaluation.

Proof of English language proficiency: Applicants for undergraduate study who are not native speakers of English must meet one of the following for admission:

- Official TOEFL score of at least 73 iBT or 550 pBT - Institution Code: 1914.¹
- Official IELTS score of at least 6.0.¹
- Official PTE Academic score of at least 54.¹
- Official Duolingo English Test (DET) score of at least 100.¹
- Graduation from a U.S. high school or secondary school in a country where English is the official language of education immediately prior to enrollment at UWL.
  - Applicant must have studied in the English-speaking country for a minimum of three consecutive years, not including terms that required English as a second language study.
- Completion of at least 2 years of academic study at an accredited/recognized institution of higher education in a country where the official language of education is English immediately prior to enrollment at UWL.
- Other examinations and educational experiences considered on a case-by-case basis and approved through university governance.

¹ Scores cannot be more than two years old.

Proof of funding: A bank statement and affidavit or letter of support is required for students requesting an F-1 visa. Funding must be equal or greater than International Education & Engagement's estimated costs (https://www.uwlax.edu/cost/#tab-113814) for one year (two semesters) of undergraduate study. Students who are requesting F-2 visas for dependents (spouse and/or children) must submit additional proof of funding and passport copies for each dependent.

Passport copy: Submit a photocopy of the biographical data page in the applicant’s passport. If the applicant is admitted to a program, this will ensure that immigration documents are issued accurately.

Application materials can be sent to:
Admissions Office
2342 Student Union

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
1725 State Street
La Crosse, WI 54601
USA

For more information on international student admissions, visit the Admissions Office (http://www.uwlax.edu/Admissions/International-student/).