FIRST YEAR UW-Platteville Academic Support Programs

FIRST YEAR FIVE

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Welcome new Pioneers! Academic Support Programs is dedicated to helping students successfully navigate their years at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. We offer many services for students including first-year experience, tutoring, writing help, undecided advising, first-year advising for specific majors, one-on-one academic coaching, and Student Academic Success Seminars.

Every week for the remainder of the summer, we'll send you another issue of the First Year Five, an email newsletter filled with five tips to help new students connect, learn, and succeed at UW-Platteville. An archive of previous newsletters can be found at <u>www.uwplatt.edu/academic-support/newsletters</u>.

After this newsletter, you will only receive the First Year Five newsletter at your UW-Platteville email address. Remember to check your campus email frequently.



CASHIER'S OFFICE INFORMATION

Fall bills will be posted in PASS. The initial bill for the fall semester is due on September 10, 2018. Log into PASS using your username and password to view bills. For questions about bills, please contact the Cashier's Office at 608.342.1211 or visit online at <u>https://www.uwplatt.edu/cashier/billing</u>. See the Billing FAQ for answers to common questions.

You can provide your parents or family members with guest access to various features PASS account including bill payment. For

Upcoming Events and Important Dates

For ticketed events, visit the <u>University Box Office</u>.

Aug 27 <u>Textbook Center</u> Fall Pick-up Hours Begin

Aug 31 <u>New Freshmen</u> Late Registration

Sept 1 New Student Move-In; 8-1pm

Sept 1-3 Welcome Weekend (<u>full schedule</u>)

Sept 1 <u>New Student</u> Welcome Picnic and <u>Scavenger Hunt;</u> Platteville's Historic Downtown

Sept 2 <u>Pioneers Pay It</u> Forward Community

instructions, visit ITS Knowledge Base.



FINANCIAL AID REFUNDS

For students with financial aid, direct deposit refunding will be available this fall through a partnership with BankMobile®, a Division of Customers Bank. Look for a green envelope in the mail with information on direct deposit refunding. The envelope contains a personal code and instructions on how to select a refund preference (set up a new checking account with BankMobile or enter information to send refunds to an existing bank account).

Visit <u>http://www.uwplatt.edu/cashier/refunds</u> to learn more about refunds or contact the Cashier's Office at 608.342.1211.



OTHER POSSIBLE FALL EXPENSES

Residence Hall Activity Membership: Residents will have the option to purchase an activity pass for \$15. The fee covers in-hall programming and allows students to checkout supplies from the hall desk.

Textbooks, workbooks, supplies, and special course fees: Students at UW-Platteville rent most of their books from the Textbook Center. The rental fees included in the fall bill under segregated fees are \$9.38 per credit (1-11 credits); \$112.50 maximum (12-18 credits). However, a few courses require supplies or workbooks that must be purchased. For example, English 1130 and 1230 are required to purchase an anthology called the Stylus from the University Bookstore.

Parking Permit: Permits for cars, mopeds, or motorscycles can be purchased <u>online</u>. Permit enforcement begins the first day of the academic semester so please plan in advance.

Bicycle Registration and Storage: Students can register a bicycle for free with the University Police <u>online</u>. However, if you wish to reserve a bike locker, the cost is \$30 for a semester or \$50 for a year. Residence Life coordinates bicycle

storage: <u>http://www.uwplatt.edu/residence-life/bicycle-</u> regulation-info

Laundry: Students living in all residence halls except for Rountree Commons can use their Pioneer Passport (Student ID) to pay for laundry. Students can add <u>Passport funds online</u>.



Service Project (limited to first 175 students who sign up, sign up ends Aug. 14)

Sept 2 <u>Skillet</u>; doors open at 6 p.m., Williams Fieldhouse (ticketed event)

Sept 4 First Day of Classes

Sept 7-9 <u>Platteville Dairy</u> <u>Days</u>

Sept 8 Parade; 9:30am; Main Street

Sept 10 <u>Initial Fall Bill</u> <u>Due Date</u>

Sept 10 Self Service registration and course add ends

Sept 11-12 Fall Involvement Fair; 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; West Lawn near Markee Pioneer Student Center

Sept 13 Community Service Fair; 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; Northwest Patio of Markee Pioneer Student Center

Sept 17 Self Service course dropping ends

Sept 24-27 <u>Fall Career</u> <u>Fair</u>

Sept 30-Oct 6 Homecoming

Oct 6 <u>Homecoming</u> <u>Hustle</u>; 7:15 a.m.

Oct 19-21 Family Weekend

Oct 26 Fall Break (No Classes)

Nov 9 Last day to drop/withdraw from full semester course with "W" (withdrawn) noted on transcript

Nov 22-25 Thanksgiving Recess

Dec 17-21 Finals Week

RESIDENCE LIFE AND MOVE-IN

The move-in date for most new students is Saturday, September 1 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Also, remember to read the <u>Guide to Living on</u> <u>Campus 2018-19</u> before move-in. Other important information can be found on the Department of Residence Life website and their newsletter.

Additionally, here are some other helpful tips for a smooth movein:

- You will need your Student ID and your completed Personal Data Sheet to check into your room.
- Talk to your roommate beforehand about what items you can share and which person is bringing those items. This <u>Packing List</u> can help with the planning.
- Check your room for damages then rearrange your furniture before you bring your belongings in. Are you planning to loft your bed? For loft information, visit: <u>http://www.uwplatt.edu/residence-life/bed-loft-</u> <u>information</u>.

Some students will be moving into their rooms early, including athletes, Marching Pioneers, SUCCEED students, and students working at on-campus jobs. Your coach, program contact, or supervisor should contact you with the necessary early move-in information.

Feel free to contact the Department of Residence Life at reslife@uwplatt.edu or 608.342.1845 with any move-in questions you may have.



COMMUTERS

Welcome Weekend provides a fantastic opportunity for commuter students to engage in involvement activities, meet other students, and become more familiar with campus. Campus Programming and Relations has taken the time to develop a schedule of Welcome Weekend events specifically geared toward commuters. You can check out the <u>schedule</u>. We hope to see you there!

Academic Support Programs also wants all commuter students to get connected and feel supported at UW-Platteville. We offer an online list of <u>Commuter Student Tips</u> that you might find helpful as you start the semester. We are here to help you in defining your own individual Pioneer experience! Visit UW-Platteville's <u>event calendar</u> or <u>PioneerLink</u> for more Pioneer happenings.



Athletic Events



Stay up-to-date on the latest sporting news by visiting <u>athletics.uwplatt.edu</u>.





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