



FIRST YEAR

UW-Platteville Academic Support Programs

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First Year Five

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Every week for the remainder of the summer, we'll send you another issue of the First Year Five, an e-mail newsletter filled with five tips to help new students connect, learn, and succeed at UW-Platteville. We hope you find this newsletter helpful in aiding with your transition to becoming a Pioneer.

New Student Registration - Survey

If you haven't already, please take this quick survey below to help us improve NSR!

Click to fill out NSR Survey



Upcoming Events and Important Dates

For ticketed events, visit the [University Box Office](#).

Aug 27 [Textbook Center Fall Pick-up Hours Begin](#)

Aug 31 [New Freshmen Late Registration](#)

Sept 1 New Student Move In

Sept 1-3 Welcome Weekend ([full schedule](#))

Sept 2 [Pioneers Pay It Forward Community Service Project](#) (limited to first 175 students who

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MEAL PLANS

Freshmen and sophomore students with less than 60 credits who are living in the residence halls are required to be on a meal plan. Off-campus students may choose to participate in the meal plan program.

Visit <https://www.uwplatt.edu/dining/meal-plans> to learn more about the variety of meal plan choices, or contact the Meal Access Office by email: mao@uwplatt.edu or call 608.342.1404. Students have until September 21st to make any changes to their meal plans. There will be a \$20 change fee assessed during this time period for any changes.

Your meal plan covers a certain amount of money, depending on the time of day and where you choose to eat. [Cash Equivalency](#) is used at all Dining Services locations except for Stations, the all-you-care-to-eat facility. The cash equivalency and meal periods are as follows:

Monday-Friday

\$3.75 Breakfast [7 a.m.-10:15 a.m.]

\$4.75 Lunch [10:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m.]

\$5.50 Dinner [3:30 a.m.-1 a.m.]

Saturday-Sunday

\$4.75 Brunch [10:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m.]

\$5.50 Dinner [3:30 p.m.-1 a.m.]

Dining hours vary per location. A full list of each venue's hours can be found at <https://www.uwplatt.edu/dining/dining-locations>.



Welcome Weekend - IT'S ALMOST HERE!

Greetings New UW-Platteville Students!

It is almost here: Welcome Weekend 2018! During Welcome Weekend, several of the planned events focus on involvement and success.

Should you have any questions during move-in, please feel free to contact the Information Center (608.342.1491 or infocenter@uwplatt.edu) or directly contact campus offices for information.

Find the full schedule of Welcome Weekend events here:

<https://www.uwplatt.edu/welcome-weekend/welcome-weekend-schedule>.

Download the PioneerLink app to get information on Welcome Weekend! [Click here](#) to find out how to download the PioneerLink app.

If you have any questions about Welcome Weekend, please feel free to contact CPR at cpr@uwplatt.edu or 608.342.7328

sign up, sign up ends Aug. 14)

Sept 2 [Skillet](#); doors open at 6 p.m., Williams Fieldhouse (ticketed event)

Sept 4 First Day of Classes

Sept 7-9 [Platteville Dairy Days](#)

Sept 10 [Initial Fall Bill Due Date](#)

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 [Fall Career Fair](#)

Sept 30-Oct 6 Homecoming

Oct 6 [Homecoming Hustle](#); 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

Jan 3-18 Winterim Session

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Textbook Center

One of your first adventures on campus will involve finding your way to the [Textbook Center](#). The Textbook Center is located in the basement of Doudna Hall (029 Doudna), and depending on what entrance you use, you may need to walk a maze of hallways before you find your way there.

Bring your Pioneer Passport I.D. Card! Backpacks are not allowed in the Textbook Center (a plastic carrying bag is provided). However, there is a shelf provided outside to place your backpack as some textbooks are quite heavy. The calculus book alone weighs more than 6 pounds.

The Textbook Center extends their hours of operation during Welcome Weekend and the first week of classes. For a list of hours, visit the [Textbook Center](#) website. Students receive a free student planner at pick up (while supplies last).

NOTE: A few courses require supplies or workbooks that must be purchased. For example, students enrolled in English 1130 or 1230 will need to purchase their required composition textbook, *Stylus: An Anthology of College Writing*, at the University Bookstore in the Markee Pioneer Student Center (MPSC). This textbook is NOT available at the Textbook Rental Center.

Textbooks are due to be returned by the last day of finals. Contact the Textbook Center at textbookctr@uwplatt.edu or 608.342.1265 with questions.

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I.D. (Pioneer Passport)

Your Pioneer Passport is going to be one of the most important things to keep with you ALL the time. Your I.D. is required for a lot of things on campus, such as printing on campus; entry into labs; checking out textbook; attending athletic events; and using the Pioneer Activity Center (PAC).

The Pioneer Passport is the official ID card for the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. Your Passport is expected to last your entire college career. There is no charge for your first Passport; however, there is a \$20.00 replacement fee. The Passport Office also issues Voter IDs to UWP students at no charge.

If you lose your Pioneer Passport, or are having problems with it, contact the Pioneer Passport office as soon as possible. Lost

Jan 22 Spring Classes
Begin

Mar 16-24 Spring Break

Apr 19-22 April Break

May 13-17 Finals Week

Visit UW-Platteville's
[event calendar](#) or
[PioneerLink](#) for more
Pioneer happenings.



Athletic Events



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latest sporting news by
visiting
athletics.uwplatt.edu.

Find us on 

Passports can be replaced for you immediately on Monday - Friday 8 a.m-4 p.m. If you have any questions about your Passport, call 608.342.1499.

You can always add funds to your Passport at any time with a credit card on your e-Account. However, your first time to add money must be done at the Pioneer Passport Office.

NEW LOCATION: Downstairs in the Student Center, next to the Pioneer Involvement Center (PIC)



Dining Dollars vs. Passport Funds

Confused about when to use Dining Dollars and Passport Funds? Here's a guide for you!

[Dining Dollars](#) are used for purchasing food only. The Dining Dollar funds expire at the end of the current academic year (next May).

[Passport Funds](#) are another way to pay for food. This money stays on your account for the entire time you are at UW-Platteville. Passport Funds are also redeemable at the bookstore, the information center, printing, and laundry machines in the residence halls (except for Rountree).

Both methods save five percent on all purchases at Dining Services locations, compared to paying with cash or credit card. You can track balances and add funds via eAccounts at <https://www.uwplatt.edu/passport/e-accounts>.

Visit <https://www.uwplatt.edu/dining/dining-dollars> for more information.

PLATTEVILLE REGIONAL CHAMBER

Welcome Students and Families!

Looking for information about the Platteville area? The [Platteville Regional Chamber](#) is an official Travel Wisconsin Welcome Center. Open year round, the office is a wonderful resource for free local, area and statewide travel guides and maps. As a non-profit, membership based organization, the chamber partners with community business members to encourage local growth and community development.

Upcoming events: Welcome Weekend Parent/Family Reception and the Merchant Scavenger Hunt and Welcome Picnic. On Sept. 7-9, join us for Platteville's 72nd annual Dairy Days festival. Watch the parade at 9:30 a.m. on Main Street. Platteville also has its annual Historic Re-enactment that same weekend at Mound View Park. Feel free to contact the Platteville Regional Chamber with any questions you may have about the local community.

Platteville Regional Chamber & Travel Wisconsin Welcome Center
275 W. Business Hwy 151; Platteville, WI 53818
phone: 608.348.8888 or email: chamber@platteville.com www.platteville.com

If you ever need help or advice, feel free to contact the staff in Academic Support Programs. We will never turn away a student looking for assistance. Just stop in, call or send us an email!

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