



# 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 college.



### 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 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

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## PARKING PERMITS AND TRANSPORTATION

Bringing a car to UW-Platteville and plan to park on campus?

Purchase a parking permit at

<https://www.uwplatt.edu/police/parking-permits>. This link will also direct you to information about maps, enforcement, and regulations.

**Parking enforcement will start on the first day of classes**, so make sure that you have your permit displayed in your vehicle, and you park in the correct parking lot.

Overnight parking in Commuter and/or Staff parking lots is always prohibited and will be enforced all year.

Single day permits are available for \$4.00. For information about one day permits, visit: <https://www.permitsales.net/uwplatt>.

[Platteville Public Bus](#) is free for all students with a valid UW-Platteville ID. <http://www.uwplatt.edu/transportation>

## EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION and TEXT ALERTS

In the event of an emergency, UW-Platteville sends out notification through a number of different channels, including:

- Building PA Systems
- University wide emails
- Text messages
- Social networking platforms, such as UW-Platteville Facebook and Twitter
- Updates on the home page of the campus website
- Update line ([608.342.7000](tel:608.342.7000)) and blog

The [Emergency Management](#) website provides detailed information about tools and tips for students, staff, and the community.

**PIONEER ALERTS:** UW-Platteville sends out emergency texts through the Pioneer Alerts messaging system. You are automatically enrolled if you have entered your cell phone number in PASS. [Please keep phone numbers up-to-date in the PASS system](#). You can register your parent's cell phone number(s) to receive Pioneer Alerts by visiting the Pioneer Alert Page: <http://www.uwplatt.edu/police/pioneer-alerts>.

**NIXLE ALERTS:** The City of Platteville Police Department uses Nixle to send out alerts and advisories.

## TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR SAFETY

UW-Platteville takes pride in the security measures we have put in place to keep our students and staff safe.

It is important that **you** take steps to ensure your own safety and are aware of the programs available here at UW-Platteville:

- [Safe Walk Program](#): Students needing a Safe Walk escort can call 608.342.1584. Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- [Emergency Call Boxes](#) located around the university that link directly to the police radio system.
- Access-controlled doors in the residence halls.
- Video surveillance cameras in various locations.
- An informative [University Police website](#) that includes links to safety tips, videos and more.
- Safety presentations to campus groups. View the Crime Prevention list of tips to help keep yourself and your possessions safe: <https://www.uwplatt.edu/police/crime-prevention>

Dial 911 in the event of an emergency. Other contacts for non-emergency include:

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

Jan 22 Spring Classes Begin

Mar 16-24 Spring Break

University Police: 608.342.1584 (after hours calls are forwarded to the Platteville Police)  
City of Platteville Police: 608.348.2313 (24 hours)  
Dean of Students: 608.342.1854  
Facilities Management: 608.342.1155  
Hazardous Waste/Safety: 608.342.1188  
University Counseling: 608.342.1865  
University Health Services: 608.342.1891  
Southwest Health Center: 608.348.2331 (24 hours)  
Unified Counseling: 1.800.362.5717 (24 hour emergency line)  
Family Advocates: 608.348.3838 or 1.800.924.2624 (24 hours)  
University Human Resources: 608.342.1176

During the fall and spring semesters, most academic buildings on campus are open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-11 p.m. For more information, visit <https://www.uwplatt.edu/police/building-security>.

Safety on campus is everyone's right as well as responsibility. We encourage you to utilize these programs and report any suspicious activities.

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### WATCH THESE SAFETY VIDEOS

Don't forget to watch the following safety videos provided free to all UW-Platteville students and staff:



#### Stay Safe at College

The Stay Safe at College video series from 360° Stay Safe™ provides college students with information on how to protect your identity, your possessions, and yourself. Watch the series at <https://www.uwplatt.edu/police/stay-safe>.



#### Shots Fired

The Shots Fired When Lightning Strikes video provides guidance on how to respond during an active shooter incident. Watch the video:

<https://www.uwplatt.edu/police/shots-fired>

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### PLATTEVILLE SIRENS: Test, Fire, or Severe Weather?

Like many small communities, the City of Platteville is served by a volunteer fire department. The Platteville Fire department uses the siren system as a back-up system to notify firefighters of a call in the case their pagers fail. The fire call siren is a high-low, repeating wailing sound.

Apr 19-22 April Break  
May 13-17 Finals Week  
Visit UW-Platteville's [event calendar](#) or [PioneerLink](#) for more Pioneer happenings.



### Athletic Events



Find us on

In the event of a tornado or extreme weather condition, the city will sound the tornado or severe weather siren. This siren is a long, steady, unchanging tone.

The sirens are tested daily at noon. The city conducts a full siren system test the first Wednesday of every month around the noon hour. (Fair warning—in September this test will occur on the second day of the fall semester!) You can listen to sample clips of the siren sounds on the [City of Platteville Fire Department](#) web page.

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