

Bucky's Tuition Promise

A commitment to making UW-Madison affordable and accessible to all Wisconsin families.

Introduced in February 2018, Bucky's Tuition Promise guarantees scholarships and grants to pay for tuition and segregated fees for students whose household adjusted gross income (AGI) is \$60,000 or less. The program also simplifies the financial aid process, giving families clear, easy-to-follow information about what they can expect.

In the first five years, a total of 4,888 students—freshmen and transfer students combined—have received Bucky's Tuition Promise. In spring 2022, the first full class of recipients graduated.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Wisconsin Resident
2. Incoming Freshman or Transfer Student
3. Household Adjusted Gross Income of \$60,000 or less

BENEFITS:

Four years for freshmen and two years for transfer students of free tuition and segregated fees.

A COMMITMENT TO WISCONSIN STUDENTS

More than **one in five** of UW-Madison's incoming in-state students is benefiting from Bucky's Tuition Promise, bringing an education at Wisconsin's flagship university into reach for more Wisconsin students.

BUCKY'S TUITION PROMISE FACTS AND FIGURES (2022-23)

937 New freshmen & transfer students covered under the program

92% Wisconsin counties represented by the newest Bucky's Tuition Promise students (66 of 72)

18% of new freshmen Bucky's Tuition Promise students are from rural parts of Wisconsin*

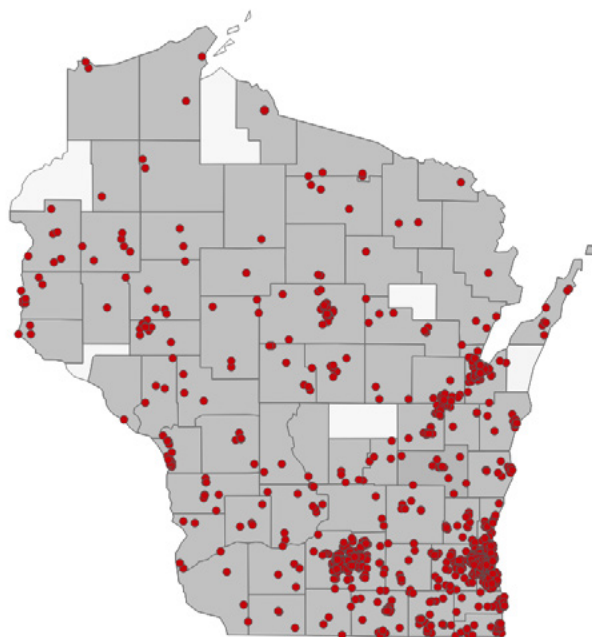
51% of new Bucky's Tuition Promise students are first-generation

15% of new Bucky's Tuition Promise students are transfer students

\$35,000 Median household income of new freshmen & transfer students covered under the program (rounded to the nearest \$1K)

HOW STUDENTS APPLY

Funds are awarded automatically to eligible students who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). There is no separate application; the Office of Student Financial Aid simply notifies eligible students.



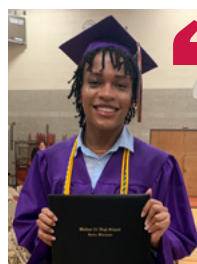
FALL 2022 BUCKY'S TUITION PROMISE RECIPIENTS

As of the tenth day of instruction, UW-Madison enrolled 937 new freshmen and transfer students eligible for Bucky's Tuition Promise, representing 66 of Wisconsin's 72 counties.

● New Bucky's Tuition Promise Recipient

■ County with at least one Badger Promise or Bucky's Tuition Promise recipient

Source: InfoAccess Data Warehouse and records maintained by the Office of Admissions and Recruitment. Student locations are based on address at the time of application and geocoded using Bing Maps API.



“Financial aid was my No. 1 consideration in choosing a college, and no other school I applied to offered me something like [Bucky's Tuition Promise] right off the bat.”

D'Marion Jackson, Racine



“Bucky's Tuition Promise is making it possible for me to go to school here. It's absolutely amazing that they have a program like this. I can't stress enough how helpful it is.”

Matthew Rilling, Omro



Visit go.wisc.edu/tuitionpromise for additional information.

*Based on a state classification of high schools that is only available for freshmen students who attended public schools. Transfer students and students who attended private schools have been excluded to get this rate.