University of Wisconsin–Madison

POINTS OF PRIDE

RANKINGS

#1 University system for producing Fortune 500 CEOs (2018)

#1 in Peace Corps volunteers (2020)

8th In nation for research expenditures (2019)

#3 Doctorates granted among U.S. universities (2018)

11th Kiplinger’s Best Value Public Colleges In-State (2019)

13th Best public college (U.S. News & World Report, 2020)

26th Center for World University Rankings (2020–2021)

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

1,000+ CEOs who are UW–Madison alumni

$30.8B Economic impact to the state

10 Academy Award-winners who are UW alumni

20 Nobel Prizes won by faculty or alumni

41 Pulitzer Prizes won by faculty or alumni

400+ Startups formed from UW–Madison research

451,446 Living alumni

STUDENT SUCCESS

Awarded a record 11,113 degrees in 2019–20

7,459 bachelor’s

2,314 master’s

1,340 doctorates

3.92 Average years to degree (2019–2020)

88.5% Six-year graduation rate, top 10 among public universities in the U.S.

95.2% Freshman retention rate

QUICK FACTS

45,540 Total students

31,650 Undergraduates

23,664 WI resident students

21,876 Nonresident students

13,890 Grad, professional, & special

31 Average class size

13 Schools and colleges

115 Countries are home for UW students

50 U.S. states represented by our students

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