

Welcome

Known as the cultural cradle of Canada, Winnipeg offers international students an opportunity to explore what it really means to be Canadian!

As an accepted student of The University of Winnipeg you are joining a community of learners who pride themselves on academic excellence and accessibility. As one of the highest-ranked universities in Canada, we offer diverse programs, award-winning professors, unique research opportunities, and excellent student services. You are an individual here—it is the university where you matter most.

In order to prepare you for your studies, we have put together a list of next steps to guide you through registration, choosing courses, and some tips that all first-year students should know. We look forward to seeing you on campus.

Registering in Courses

Each student will be emailed a registration date through Webmail in early June. This date will tell you when you can start accessing the on-line registration system so you can enroll in courses. Typically for the Fall Term, these dates start in June and go until late July. Registration is done in tiers. If you are a first-year student, you are the first group allowed to register and will be able to do so until the add/drop deadline. Once all of the dates have expired, registration is open to all students until the add/drop deadline in September.

Don't wait to register! As soon as you get your email, start registering for your courses or you might miss getting into the courses you want.

1. Read the "You First" Tutorial
2. Search program and course information in the Academic Calendar
3. Make a draft of your timetable
4. Register for courses in WebAdvisor

WAIT LISTS

If the course you want is full, you can add your name to the wait list and manage it through WebAdvisor.

CREDIT HOURS

UWinnipeg has 3 and 6 "credit hour" courses. Those enrolled in 18 or more credit hours (9 credit hours or more in each the Fall and Winter Terms) or 12 or more credit hours for students with accessibility needs (6 credit hours or more in each Fall and Winter Terms) are considered full-time students. Anything less than that is considered part-time.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

If you are unsure about what courses to take or would like help developing your education plan, make an appointment to see an Academic Advisor. First Year Information (FYI) sessions are group sessions that provide information about courses, University requirements and the registration process. Academic Advisors can also offer feedback on your course selections, and assist in degree planning.

Call 204.779.UWIN
uwinnipeg.ca/iss-academic-advising

Tuition & Student Fees

When planning your finances it is important to consider different factors that will contribute to your expenses such as tuition fees, student fees, books, and where you will be living during the school year. All of these costs can have a huge impact on your budget.

Tuition fees may differ slightly depending on what courses you take. Each credit hour also has a variety of student fees attached to it, such as lab fees and student life fees.

Make sure you check your tuition fees on WebAdvisor so that you can budget appropriately.

INTERNATIONAL FEES

You may notice that some provinces have lower or higher tuition than others, this is because each province in Canada regulates its own tuition fees. Manitoba has the third lowest tuition in Canada due to a long political history of wanting to offer students an accessible education. Students attending UWinnipeg get the same top quality Canadian education, for a lot less money.

uwinnipeg.ca/index/fees-tuition

FEE PAYMENT DUE DATES

Knowing when your fees are due can help you manage your resources. Fees are normally due at the start of the Term. All charges and payments will appear on your WebAdvisor account. You can look at your whole year, or one Term at a time. You can also print statements, should you need proof of payment.

TERM	MONTH	PAYMENT DUE DATE
Fall & Fall/Winter	Courses that start in September	First week of September
Winter	Courses that start in January	First week of January
Spring/Summer	Courses that start in May-August	First week of May

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How to Pay

There are several ways you can pay your student account. In order of easiest and most convenient:

- Wire Transfer
- Credit Card through WebAdvisor (a convenience fee of \$75 is charged for each payment)
- Debit/Cash in-person at Student Central
- On-line or telephone banking (with a Canadian bank account)

uwinnipeg.ca/fees/payment-info.html

Orientation

There are three orientation events that are available for all first-year students.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES (ISS) ORIENTATION

When you first arrive in Winnipeg, you may have lots of questions! The ISS Orientation is designed to help you make a smooth transition to life in Canada. Held at the start of each Term (Fall, Winter and Spring), Orientation provides important information on things like health insurance, university policies, and how to succeed in the Canadian classroom. There are also a variety of fun activities during the first weeks of classes to allow you to meet other students and get to know some of the great things that Winnipeg has to offer.

UNIVERSITY ORIENTATION

If you are starting classes in September, come and enjoy a fun-filled day. There are information sessions for you, and you can do a ton of things like pay your tuition fees, get your student ID, rent a locker, take a campus tour, find your classes, and order/pick up your books. You will receive an invitation for Orientation in the mail, in June or July. Don't forget to RSVP!

uwinnipeg.ca/orientation

0-WEEK & THE GREAT ROCK CLIMB

The UWSA (University of Winnipeg Students' Association) hosts a week-long orientation in September that includes student club information booths, entertainment, food, and fun activities for students. The Great Rock Climb also takes place this week, which features teams of three who race down the front lawn of Wesley Hall and scale the giant 25-ton granite "Rock of Remembrance" that sits at the front of the campus. How fast can you climb?

FAQs

CAN I START IN A DIFFERENT TERM?

Yes! Students can delay their start date for up to one year and start in either Fall, Winter or Spring Terms. Please notify the University using our on-line form. Registered in classes? Don't forget to drop them!

uwinnipeg.ca/index/intl-change-start-term?



WHAT IS THE HEALTH PLAN?

Students must purchase health insurance through the University. In addition, some students are eligible for free, basic health care in Manitoba. Health insurance plans will differ depending on your student type and the length of your studies.

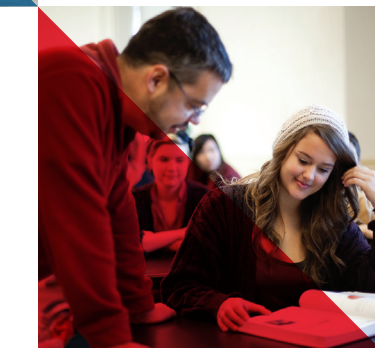
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ON CAMPUS HOUSING

Want to live in campus residence? Your spot is guaranteed if you are a first year student and apply by the deadline.

uwcampusliving.com/apply/



WHAT COURSES DO I CHOOSE?

The courses you pick will depend on your major, and what you are interested in. You can search the Academic Calendar on-line for detailed descriptions of courses, as well as the requirements for your degree. If you need more help contact Academic Advising.

uwinnipeg.ca/iss-academic-advising

WHAT SPECIAL SERVICES ARE THERE?

- Airport pick-up
- International Resource Centre
- Academic Advising
- Mentor Program
- Study Permit/Immigration Advising
- Tutor Program

uwinnipeg.ca/student/intl/



CAN I DROP A CLASS AFTER SCHOOL STARTS?

Yes, but you have to do it within the add/drop period. If you do it later, there are financial and academic penalties.

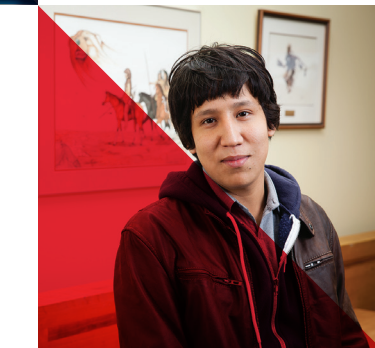
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WHEN SHOULD I ARRIVE?

Students should arrive prior to the start of lectures.

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WHAT IS WEBADVISOR?

This is the on-line system students use to do a variety of things like add and drop courses, view grades, pay tuition, view awards, and create a timetable. Your username and password were included in your letter of offer from Admissions.

uwinnipeg.ca/using-webadvisor

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Reasons You'll Love
UWINNIPEG

1. DIVERSE CULTURE
2. SMALL CLASS SIZES
3. TOP-RATED UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOL
4. DOWNTOWN CAMPUS
5. TUITION REBATE FOR QUALIFYING STUDENTS AND GRADUATES

Tips for
First Year

There are a lot of things to remember when you start university like deadlines, program requirements, and finding your classes. All of these important details are things that students wish someone had told them in their first year. So, we are telling you now!

1. Find and make note of the Add/Drop Period and the Withdrawal Schedule. This lists the dates by which you can add/drop courses without academic penalty and dates for tuition fee refunds.
2. Read and use the Academic Calendar. This book (available to buy or free on-line) lists all the courses available, major requirements, and other important information like the procedure for an academic appeal.
3. Read everything. Monitor your University email account, and the website. You never know when you might be offered a chance to participate in something fun.
4. Register early! Pick classes you like and will be interested in. It's easier to attend class and study material that you enjoy.
5. Choose your schedule wisely. For every hour in class you should study for three hours.
6. Be open-minded. Try a course in a subject you know nothing about. You are here to learn.
7. Buy used textbooks. The new ones are expensive, and gently used textbooks help keep costs down.
8. Go to class and be on time. In Canada, it is expected that you will be on time.
9. Communicate. If you fall behind or need help, just ask. There are many free services at the University and we want to see you succeed!
10. Don't miss out on free money! Apply for as many scholarships and bursaries as you can.
11. Go out and enjoy Winnipeg—the city of festivals. Enjoy Canadian culture and experiences.
12. Stay positive. Getting a university degree is hard work and requires a lot of dedication and effort. You can do it!

Questions/Need More Information?

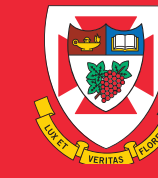
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