

Guidelines for Scheduling Four-Year College Bound Students

- ✓ **Rigorous Senior Schedule** - competitive schools (especially UW- Madison, UW- La Crosse, and the University of Minnesota) place a great deal of weight on a “rigorous senior schedule”. Colleges think if students are looking to “slack” in high school, they probably aren’t going to make good first year college students!
 - ✓ Algebra II is a MUST. Chemistry is a MUST. Most want some type of math class in the senior year.
 - ✓ Two years of the same foreign language is recommended for many schools, and they like three!
 - ✓ DI or D2 college athletes NEED to have these NCAA requirements during high school:
 - 4 yrs of English, 3 years of Math (Alg1 or higher), 2 yrs of Science
 - 1 yr additional of English, Math (Alg1 or higher) or Science
 - 2 yrs of Social Studies
 - 4 yrs of anything just listed above and/or foreign language. (Classes like PE, Band, Shop, Computers, etc are not counted in these credits).See the below link for more info. (This is also posted on your respective Guidance Google Classroom pages). http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/eligibility_center/Student_Resources/DI_ReqsFactSheet.pdf
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Selected Colleges and Their Requirements for Admission

- **This list is subject to change without notice. Students and parents need to check with their college admission office to confirm these requirements.**
- **Most colleges have made the ACT to be OPTIONAL for enrollment. Many have not decided if they will require it for upcoming classes or not. Some require it for scholarships, some don’t.**
- **The higher the GPA and class rank USUALLY indicates the better chance of success in college.**

Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN

- * preaching, teaching, early childhood, or staff ministry in the WELS (4 and 5 year programs)
- * GPA of 2.5 and ACT of 20 (including the “writing” portion of the ACT)
- * Will your “dual credits” transfer to MLC? <https://mlc-wels.edu/academics/academic-deans>

Wisconsin Lutheran College, Milwaukee, WI

- * Lutheran (WELS) campus
- * 4 year programs
- * two of these: GPA of 2.7 - ACT of at least 21 - top 50% of class
- * *average* incoming freshmen GPA is 3.34 and ACT of 23

Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN

- * Lutheran (ELS) campus
- * *prefer* GPA of at least 2.5 and ACT of at least 20

- *The UW-system schools have a comprehensive admissions process, meaning they don't specify class rank, ACT numbers, and exact courses to have. HOWEVER, class rank, ACT score, and a rigorous schedule continue to be VERY important. The numbers below represent average rank and test scores that the schools tend to follow.*

UW-La Crosse

See chart at right

- * 7800 apply, 1750 get accepted
- * Math in sr. year is highly recommended!
- * Average incoming freshmen ACT is 25, and is also from the top 20% of the class
- * It's easier to get in as a transfer student

	Class Rank (percentile)				
ACT Score	99-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	<60
30-36	95%	95%	95%	75%	20%
28-29	95%	95%	95%	50%	15%
26-27	95%	95%	95%	35%	10%
24-25	95%	95%	75%	15%	5%
22-23	90%	80%	50%	10%	5%
<22	45%	20%	15%	5%	1%

UW-Eau Claire

- * top 25 % of class and ACT of at least 22
- * top 50% of class and ACT of at least 24
- * rigorous senior year courses

UW-Madison

- * 32,000 apply, 6300 get accepted
- * average incoming freshman GPA is 3.8
- * average incoming freshman ACT is 28-32

Winona State University

- * ACT of at least 21 and in the top 2/3 of class or 2.75 GPA in core classes
- * ACT of at least 18-20 and in the top 50% of class or 3.00 GPA in core classes

The University of Minnesota – Twin Cities

- * 4 years of math
- * 4 years of science
- * Average incoming freshmen class rank is in the top 20% of the class and ACT of 28

Western Wisconsin Technical College

- * High school diploma required.
- * Students should check Western's website for exact program requirements, as so many programs are designed to meet the needs, career choices, and abilities of all.
- * Some programs have waiting lists. If you know what program you want to do, it is best to apply ASAP after junior year.