

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS MS AND PHD NEW STUDENTS

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Overview

Welcome to the department of Statistics. The information in this guide is designed to help provide vital information on things that new students must do and know before and as they arrive on campus.

If you have questions during this process, please reach out to the Statistics MS and PhD Graduate Coordinator, John Schuppel (jschuppel@wisc.edu or 608-262-2598).

MS/PhD Specific Requirements

MS/PhD students, as Graduate Students, will need to follow both the program requirements and the [Graduate School's Academic Policies and Procedures](#). All of the [MS](#) and [PhD](#) program requirements can be found online (program requirements and policies section toward the bottom of the page) in our handbook. Currently the 2021 version is posted, and an updated 2022 version will be posted at some point during the summer.

Housing

Listed below is a collection of resources for finding housing in Madison. This is not an exhaustive list; rather it is a good place to begin looking for possible housing. It is highly recommended that new students check out any place before signing a lease. Don't hesitate to ask people in Madison for referrals of places to look and for assistance in looking at a place. There are the places where students do (and don't) want to live. Campus parking is very difficult for students to get, so most students choose to live within walking or biking distance from campus, or near a bus line.

- CAMPUS AREA HOUSING LISTING SERVICE - This [service is provided by Campus and Visitor Relations](#) and includes listings for apartments, houses, efficiencies, rooms and co-ops for students and the university community, along with other housing-related information.
 - The VIP Off-campus Housing website has a great FAQ about housing in Madison which includes a "[City of Madison Section Map](#)." Many students like to live in the Vilas neighborhood (region 4) and the Willy Street/Jenifer Street neighborhoods (region 6). Some graduate students and young professionals live in the apartments just west of Hilldale Mall (region 10). These regions are readily accessible to campus by both bus and bike and the general population is not undergrads. Other regions close by to those neighborhoods will also have good bus and bike access to campus.
- ON-CAMPUS HOUSING - Housing options for undergraduate and graduate students through the [Division of University Housing](#).
- LARGE PROPERTY MANAGERS
 - [JSM Properties](#)
 - [Madison Property Management](#)
 - [Steve Brown Apartments](#)
 - [Mullins Apartments](#)
- MADISON COMMUNITY CO-OPS - [MCC](#) is a cooperative community of 11 households, most within 1/2 mile of the University of Wisconsin campus, ranging in size from 8 to 34 members.

Each house has a unique character and they try to create a safe, supportive family & community atmosphere.

- LOCAL NEWSPAPER CLASSIFIED ADS
 - [Capital Newspapers](#)
- SEARCH OPTIONS, WEBSITES, AND GROUPS
 - [Madison and Campus Downton Living](#)
 - [Craigslist](#)
 - [NEW UW-Madison Sublet and Roommate Facebook Board](#), note this is not affiliated with the university

Additionally there is a [Tenant Resources Center](#) available in Madison.

NOTE ABOUT UTILITIES: When comparing the prices of different housing options, remember to take into consideration the cost of utilities. For example, if heat is not included in the rent remember that it very well may cost an additional \$50+ during the winter months!

Enrollment

Below is a list of links that will assist in first time enrollment.

- MyUW – go to the [UW home page](#) and click on the MyUW link at the top of the page, registration is done online through the Academic Navigator tab in MyUW
- Information on [forgotten MyUW net ID and passwords](#)
- [Office of the Registrar general enrollment information](#)
- UW-Madison Fall 2022 [enrollment deadlines – permissions & procedures](#)

Information regarding full-time enrollment, part-time enrollment, international student enrollment requirements, etc. is available on the [Graduate School's Policies and Procedures document](#).

You will receive additional information from the department regarding what courses you need and can take in the fall term.

Enrollment Hold(s)

It is important for all students to check their student center every semester before enrollment begins to see if they have any enrollment holds on their account. A hold of this nature will prevent a student from being able to enroll at the start of their enrollment appointment time. Holds can be from multiple sources including needing to complete your financial responsibility agreement, outstanding transcripts, probationary status, outstanding fees (tuition, seg fees, library).

The Student Center navigation page from the Registrar's Office (<https://registrar.wisc.edu/student-center-navigation/>) is a useful tool for understanding how to do this. If you have a hold, click on any links to see more information on how to resolve the hold or who to contact for more information. If you cannot figure out how to resolve the hold or who to contact, please email John Schuppel (jschuppel@wisc.edu).

Orientation Events

The Statistics Department will hold orientation events on Monday, August 29. Details regarding time and location will be announced closer to the event. The mandatory Statistics Department TA training is tentatively scheduled for August 24-26. More details will come in early summer, but this means that students must arrive on campus by Tuesday, August 23 at the latest. The L&S TA training is tentatively scheduled for September 2-3. The [Graduate School Welcome](#) is scheduled for Wednesday, September 3.

MS/PhD Specific Events

As incoming graduate students, MS/PhD students are encouraged to attend any and all welcome events and resources provided through the Graduate School. Information on these opportunities can be found on the [Graduate School's New Student](#) page.

International Student Specific Events

International Students will need to attend one of the mandatory International Student Services (ISS) orientations. Check the ISS website for information on [dates and times](#), please note that there are specific sections for incoming graduate and VISP students.

International Student Specific Information

Incoming international students have additional required events and steps that they need to take, if you are an incoming international student please review the list below and confirm that you have completed everything.

- [Attend the mandatory International Student Services \(ISS\) orientation](#) - check the ISS website for information on [dates and times](#), please note that there are specific sections for incoming graduate students
- *Get a Social Security Number (SSN)* - international students may need to get either an [SSN](#) or [ITIN](#) (individual taxpayer information number) if you are not eligible for an SSN
- If you are a non-native speaker of English and are appointed as a teaching assistant, this guarantee is also contingent upon meeting [departmental standards](#) for spoken English proficiency. Failure to meet the required level of proficiency may lead to cancellation of an appointment and of the support guarantee. This support guarantee offer is further contingent upon you remaining a graduate student in good standing in our program, and upon your satisfactory performance of assigned duties. The first semester of service as a teaching or project assistant is considered a probationary period. If you fall out of good standing or do not pass the probationary period, this support guarantee may be canceled. Take the [SPEAK Test](#) this summer- In person dates: 9 AM on August 22, 29, or 31. Please send an email to jschuppel@wisc.edu with your preferred date, email and Student ID to sign up for one of those dates.
- [SHIP](#) - all international students either need to sign up for the Student Health Insurance Plan or submit a waiver if they have a campus position that includes health insurance (Fall enrollment usually begins July 15)
- *Graduate School document hold* - if you did not submit an official transcript during admissions you may have a hold on your record from the Graduate School, please check your student

center to see if you have such a hold and how and when you need to resolve the hold; if you do not address the hold in a timely fashion you will not be able to enroll for courses the next semester