What is Upward Bound?
Upward Bound is a program that recruits academically focused high school students and prepares them to enter a college or university and successfully complete studies there.

It succeeds when its graduates assume leadership roles in their own communities.

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay’s Upward Bound program was founded in 1990 and functions under a TRiO grant from the United States Department of Education. It is one of more than 780 Upward Bound programs in the United States and part of an even larger TRiO pipeline designed to help open up access to educational opportunities to all capable students.

What is the goal of Upward Bound?
College enrollment and graduation for students who would not otherwise go to college or receive a degree.

Who is eligible?
A student is eligible for the Upward Bound program at UW-Green Bay if he or she:
• is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
• is from a home where the parents’ income meets the income criteria defined by the U.S. Department of Education, OR where neither parent has completed a four-year college degree.
• is in the process of successfully completing the 8th grade OR is in 9th or 10th grade at East, West, or Preble High School in Green Bay.
• has a gpa of 2.5 or higher.

Enrollment in the Upward Bound program is limited. Preference is given to students who demonstrate strong motivation to learn, a good record of academic achievement, and the desire to work hard to be successful.

What does Upward Bound offer?
• Tutorials to help maintain good grades in high school.
• Campus visits to a number of universities to help you compare them and make an educated choice.
• College placement assistance to prepare for university entrance examinations (ACT/SAT), to select the best college for you, and to complete the necessary applications and financial aid forms.
• Career development experiences to help you identify your career goals and begin preparing to fulfill them.
• Personal counseling to provide emotional support for the social and academic problems you may encounter either in high school or at home.
• Social/cultural activities and trips to broaden your experience and enhance social/leadership skills.
• Six weeks on campus each summer to introduce you to campus life, campus facilities, and precollege academic courses through a structured, residential experience.
• Summer instruction in mathematics, science (including lab experience), reading and writing to accelerate your learning, help you prepare for college, and help you increase your grade point average.
• Summer workstudy placements to provide a paid opportunity to explore careers that require a college degree.
• Scholarships awarded by the Upward Bound Parent Involvement Group help students pay for college costs.
• Summer Bridge Program. During this time, the staff will assist you in making the transition from high school to college.

Parent/Guardian Commitments
Parents/guardians must be willing to partner with Upward Bound staff to:
• help assure that their student develops the strong foundation of self-confidence, responsibility, and self-discipline he or she will need to succeed in high school, college and life.
• support their child’s participation in the program.
• consider program schedules and needs as the family makes plans and schedules.
• help to ensure the student’s success by monitoring academic progress, encouraging study time every day, and visiting schools and meeting with teachers.
• assist the Upward Bound Parent Involvement Group with raising awareness and scholarship funds through events in the local community.
Upward Bound doesn’t stop when you graduate from high school. The lessons and teachings I received from the program continue throughout my undergrad. As alumni, I am proud to be one of the many success stories, striving for more in life.

**CHIDA THAO**
- 2008 High School Graduate
- 2013 Graduate of UW-Parkside

Upward Bound has allowed me to step outside the box and experience what is truly around me without hesitation; teaching me how to be a leader, a contributor and a follower.

**GUE MOUA**
- 2006 High School Graduate
- Upward Bound Alumni

I have learned and grown so much because of this program. It offered me the opportunity to visit different colleges, improve my social skills and to prepare myself for the future.

**SENG VANG**
- 2006 High School Graduate
- Upward Bound Alumni

What our students say...

Upward Bound completely changed my life! Without it I never would have had the opportunity to see so many colleges and never would have dreamed of applying to some of the colleges that I did. I was very lucky to have the opportunity to be part of such a great organization.

**SARAH AXTELL**
- 2007 High School Graduate
- 2011 Graduate of UW-Green Bay

I’ve met the truest of friends in Upward Bound because we all share a common educational goal where we have the opportunity to better ourselves and make a difference in our community.

**ISAIAS JAUREGUI**
- 2009 High School Graduate
- Currently serving in the United States Marine Corps

Upward Bound let me experience college life in high school and prepared me for the rigor that is college! I am so glad I had this opportunity!

**CHELSEA HILL**
- 2010 High School Graduate
- Currently attending UW-Platteville

For further information:
Contact a guidance counselor at Green Bay East, West or Preble High School

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