WELCOME TO THE phoenix family
WELCOME TO UW-GREEN BAY!

As your student joins the Phoenix community of over 10,000 at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, you might be experiencing both excitement and anxiety for you and your student. We want you to rest assured you will continue to play an essential role in your student’s life as a partner to help support their journey.

This family resource will bring you up to speed with important dates, helpful tips, conversation starters, and resources that will help your student rise and make their first year at UW-Green Bay as successful as possible.

QUICK RESOURCES

UW-Green Bay Website
uwgb.edu

Family Website
uwgb.edu/family

Student Services Center
uwgb.edu/student-services

Dean of Students
uwgb.edu/dean-of-students

CONNECT

UW-Green Bay
@uwgreenbay

@uwgb

SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS

Welcome to the Phoenix family! Your student made an excellent decision by choosing to attend UW-Green Bay. From this point forward, we will work together as they complete their educational journey. The coming semesters may be difficult and will certainly contain vast opportunities for growth. We are committed to partnering with you and your student as they transition to college and navigate any obstacles they may encounter.

The Division of Student Affairs is comprised of dedicated professionals who are committed to your student’s success. We offer access to programs, services and activities that support the University’s academic mission and day-to-day wellness. Our staff is also available to you so that we may work together to ensure for the holistic development of your student. Student success is our top priority.

Regardless of their chosen profession or vocation, we are dedicated to assisting our students in their career readiness preparation. Ultimately, we want our students to become productive citizens upon departure from the University. We invite you to join us in accomplishing this goal.

I have no doubt that your student will find UW-Green Bay to be inclusive of all individuals, supportive of their academic goals and committed to their long-term success.

You are welcome here. You are a Phoenix. Soar!

Gail Sims-Aubert
Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
**NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST**

Encourage your student to complete these items in order to be Phoenix Ready to start the semester!

- Review Canvas, the University’s online learning system where your courses and assignments will be housed.
- Get your UW-Green Bay ID at the University Ticketing & Information Center (Green Bay campus).
- Check your UW-Green Bay email daily.
- File the FAFSA to apply for financial aid, or add UW-Green Bay’s school code (003899).
- Download the Navigate app to receive alerts and communicate with your advisor and instructors.
- Discuss your plan to pay for college and finalize payment options in SIS.

*Tip: The Financial Aid Office is happy to help and available for appointments.*

- Discuss accommodation options with Student Accessibility Services (if applicable).
- Visit the Student Information System (SIS) to view and purchase textbooks needed for classes.
- Update your emergency contact information in SIS.

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**CAMPUS LIFE**

**Top left:** A chemistry student performs Iodine Clock experiments in Thermodynamics and Kinetics Lab

**Top right:** A student plays a game in UW-Green Bay’s Esports lounge.

*Gaming in the lounge is free to students*

**Middle right:** A group of international students attend an event together

**Bottom:** Students walk through the campus’ arboretum trails
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### Not Sure Where to Start?

Contact the Student Services Center!
The Student Services Center specializes in answering FAQs for Advising, Financial Aid, and Registration, but they can help you find answers to virtually any question you may have about UW-Green Bay.

**Call** 920-465-2111
**Email** ssc@uwgb.edu
**STARTING STRONG**

Top left: A student and family members embrace and say goodbye at residence hall move-in  
Top right: A student band performs on the Student Services Rooftop Plaza  
Bottom right: Students participate in a GB Welcome event at Lambeau Field  
Bottom left: A student poses with a paint roller while participating in a GB Welcome tradition: Painting the Phoenix in MAC Hall Circle

**QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR STUDENT THIS MONTH**

- What are you most excited about this semester?  
- Have you chatted with your roommate yet?  
- Have you purchased your textbooks for classes yet?  
- What is your favorite area on campus and why?
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**Get ready for GB Welcome!**  
GB Welcome is designed to welcome students to the Phoenix family through fun events, socials, and important information sessions.

**GB WELCOME**  
Manitowoc & Marinette  
Sheboygan  
Green Bay  
Move In Day

**Phlash Tip:**  
Help make the college transition smooth for both you and your student with these tips:
- Discuss a communication plan to set times to chat with your student.
- Empower your student to take initiative to solve their own problems.
- Familiarize yourself with the campus resources that may be helpful for your student.
- Send care packages or letters and keep in touch.
- Remember that your student is experiencing a lot in their transition.
- Avoid second-guessing your student or providing too much management.

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
There is a Commuter Lounge in the University Union with a refrigerator, microwave, and lockers available. Learn more at uwgb.edu/union/commuter-services
THE LEARNING CENTER

As assignments, exams, and projects are being added to your student’s plate, the Learning Center is there to help! Whether your student needs help creating a schedule or learning how to study for their first college exams, your student can meet with TLC to plan for what’s ahead.

uwgb.edu/learning-center

GETTING INVOLVED

Top left: Chemistry students in a Biochemistry Lab perform the purification of β-gal experiment
Top right: A student poses for a selfie with Chancellor Michael Alexander at the Paint the Phoenix GB Welcome event
Bottom middle: Students walk to class on a warm fall day
Left middle: Students converse at OrgSmorg, the student organization fair, where students can inquire about joining or creating a club or organization
DID YOU KNOW?
Research shows that students who are involved on campus are more successful. Your student can view calendar.uwgb.edu to see what’s coming up this year!

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Watch for Parent & Family Weekend date announcements! Check uwgb.edu/pfw for Parent & Family Weekend dates, info and a list of events.

PHLASH TIP:
Encourage your student to download the Navigate app to connect with professional advisors, study groups, their course schedule and more.
**Questions to ask your student this month**

- How are classes going?
- Any difficult midterms coming up?
- What’s your favorite part of college so far?
- Are you planning to take a January class?
- What is the best place to go to when you want to relax?
- What student engagement activity have you enjoyed the most?

**Engaging with Campus**

**Top left:** A student goes rock climbing at Devil’s Lake State Park as part of a UREC Outdoors Adventure trip  
**Top middle:** Students enjoy class outside  
**Top right:** Students pet a dog and de-stress between classes at a campus favorite event, Pause for Paws  
**Bottom right:** A student and family members play giant Connect 4 during Parent & Family Weekend events
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**DID YOU KNOW?**<br>Stay on top of financial aid options. Find out more at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov)

**PHLASH TIP:**<br>UW-Green Bay boasts over 130 student organizations ranging from gaming to social justice to getting career experience. If your student missed OrgSmorg, encourage them to visit [uwgb.presence.io](http://uwgb.presence.io) to find a club or start their own!
LEANING IN BOLDLY

**Top left:** A Chemistry student conducts an experiment during Chemistry Instrumental Analysis Lab

**Top right:** A student studies in the Student Engagement Center

**Middle right:** Members of the UW-Green Bay cheer team perform at Krash the Kress

**Bottom left:** Finance students listen and learn during Principles of Investment class

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR STUDENT THIS MONTH

- Have you talked with your instructors during office hours?
- In what ways have your interests changed this semester?
- Have you connected with your Professional Advisor yet?
- What is most helpful when you study or prepare for class?
- Which faculty or staff member would you turn to if you weren’t sure about something and had questions to ask?
Wrapping up the semester can be overwhelming for students between assignments, exams, relationships, and planning for next semester. If your student needs additional support, the Wellness Center is there for health and counseling needs.
QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR STUDENT THIS MONTH

How is studying for finals going?  
What are you doing to de-stress?  
What are your plans over the winter break?

DREAMING FEARLESSLY

Top left: Students and community members participate in the annual Kwanzaa celebration, which includes traditional food, presentation and keynote speaker
Middle right: A student embraces a faculty member after receiving their diploma at the University commencement ceremony
Bottom left: Students smile and pose while attending a campus event together
Middle left: Students enjoy free food at a campus-favorite event, Late Night Breakfast
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**DID YOU KNOW?**
University residence halls remain open 24/7 throughout the academic year. This means your student does not have to move out and can still access their room with their ID at anytime.

**PHLASH TIP:**
Winter break could be the first time your student is home for an extended period of time since starting at UW-Green Bay. Remember, it is important for students to keep their independence, but they may still need you for things. Communication is key! Discuss rules and boundaries for a return home, and ask questions about the college experience so far.
Making connections and getting involved on campus
uwgb.edu/phoenix-life
Police departments on and off campus are 24/7 resources providing an environment for all members of the campus community to safely learn, work, live, and visit.

Services available to your student include:
1. GB Alert emergency notification system, inclement weather and community safety tips, and crime prevention programs
2. Safe Walk program: An officer will accompany your student to their destination if they feel unsafe
3. Safety tips and programs
4. Amnesty policy

Students at each campus location have access to many of our counseling, medical, and wellness services for free or reduced cost.

Next step: Help your student be prepared with health history and medications, immunizations and vaccinations, and associated forms.

UW-Green Bay on-campus employment provides students the opportunity to finance their education while developing professional skills!

There are several positions available for enrolled students with or without federal work study.

Not only does the Kress Events Center rank 5th nationally among ‘most impressive college gyms and student rec centers,’ but it is also home to many of UW-Green Bay’s 14 D-I athletic teams!

Your student can attend athletic events for free and cheer on their fellow Phoenix.
COLLEGE SPEAK

ACADEMIC TERMS

Add and Drop – Process of changing a course schedule by dropping or adding a course during the prescribed time at the beginning of each semester

Canvas – The online learning system used by UW-Green Bay to facilitate courses, discussion, class materials, assignments, grades, and more

Credit – One credit equals approximately one hour of classroom instruction per week

Curriculum – A program of study made up of a set of courses offered by a school

Degree Program – A planned program of study leading to a bachelor’s degree

FERPA – Family Education Right to Privacy Act

General Education Requirement – A component of a degree program that provides a broad based education with required coursework

Hold – A restriction placed on student accounts for academic or financial reasons and generally require action from the student to be removed

Major – A planned program of study leading to a Bachelor’s Degree

Minor – A sequence of related courses consisting of 15 or more semester hours of credit

Segregated Fees – Fees assessed to students in order to support facilities, programs, and services that are not academically oriented

Syllabus – The guide that a professor gives a student that outlines class requirements and what it takes to achieve specific grades

PEOPLE

Advisor – Faculty/staff member that provides information and assistance on academics

Chancellor – President or chief administrative officer of college or university

Commuter – A student who lives off-campus or at home and travels, or commutes, to campus for class

Dean – An administrator in charge of a division of a university or college

First-Generation College Student – Neither student’s parent holds a 4-year college degree

Professor – A university or college-level instructor with the highest rank they can earn

Provost – Senior academic administrator responsible for planning and implementing academic programs and policies.

Resident – A student who lives on campus in a residence hall or apartment

Student Ambassadors – A team of student leaders who support the university’s outreach efforts to prospective students and newly enrolled students

Vice Chancellor – Senior administrative officer in certain colleges and universities

FINANCIAL TERMS

EFC – Expected Family Contribution. This is a measurement of a family’s financial strength as measured by the FAFSA, and it helps determine a student’s financial aid eligibility

FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid

SAP – Satisfactory Academic Progress. In order to maintain financial eligibility, a student must meet certain standards set by the federal government