

# Guidelines for Scheduling Four-Year College Bound Students

- ✓ Algebra II is a MUST. Chemistry is a MUST.
  - ✓ Three credits of social studies is a MUST (it is imperative that Latin students have three social studies credits).
  - ✓ Three credits of science (two lab courses) is a MUST.
  - ✓ Two years of the same foreign language is a MUST at many schools.
  - ✓ 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 college students!
    - Senior classes should include **a lab science**, a **math** (preferably Pre-Calculus or AP Calculus), and a **foreign language**. A high class rank, along with a high ACT score may offset a schedule that includes only two of the three rigorous courses.
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## Selected Colleges and Their Requirements for Admission

- **This list is subject to change without notice. Students and parents need to contact their college admission office to confirm these requirements.**

### Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN

- \* preaching or teaching ministry in the WELS
- \* 4 and 5 year programs
- \* GPA of 2.5 and ACT of 20 (including the “writing” portion of the ACT)

### Wisconsin Lutheran College, Milwaukee, WI

- \* liberal arts/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

- \* liberal arts/Lutheran (ELS) campus
- \* *prefer* GPA of at least 2.2 – 2.5 and ACT of 20

- The UW-system schools have gone to a comprehensive admissions process, meaning schools no longer specify class rank or ACT numbers. **HOWEVER**, class rank and ACT scores 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 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
<b>30-36</b>	95%	95%	95%	75%	20%
<b>28-29</b>	95%	95%	95%	50%	15%
<b>26-27</b>	95%	95%	95%	35%	10%
<b>24-25</b>	95%	95%	75%	15%	5%
<b>22-23</b>	90%	80%	50%	10%	5%
<b>&lt;22</b>	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 at the 80% ile and ACT of 28

Western Wisconsin Technical College

High school diploma, Accuplacer test score – depending on program requirements (check Western’s website for exact program requirements).  
 ACT score not required, but may be used in place of Accuplacer test if scores are high enough.