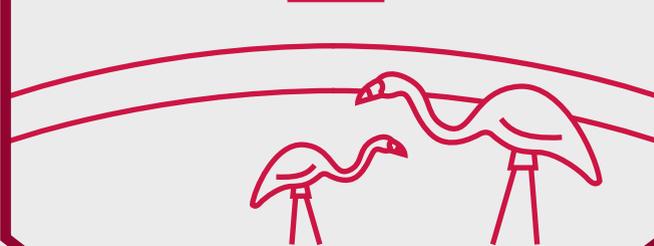


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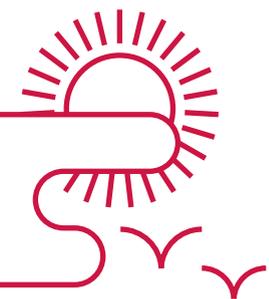


FRESHMAN



WELCOME TO UW-MADISON!

Thank you for making a reservation to attend Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration (SOAR). Please see the enclosed confirmation letter to ensure that your SOAR session and date are correct. If you need to modify your SOAR reservation, please contact the SOAR office at 608-262-4707 or soar@studentlife.wisc.edu.

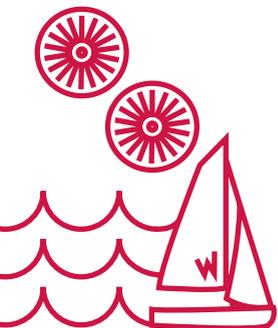


PRE-ARRIVAL Get Ready

- Complete your scheduled placement tests prior to attending SOAR.
- Review your confirmation email. Make any necessary changes online at least one week prior to your session.
- Pay your SOAR fees. Two weeks before you arrive, you will receive an email with your complete invoice and payment instructions. No fees were collected at the time you made your SOAR reservation.
- Complete the “Preparing for SOAR” module in MyUW prior to your SOAR session.
- Plan to attend all activities during SOAR. If you leave SOAR early, you won’t be able to enroll in courses.
- Get social. Connect with the UW on social media [#uwnewstudent](https://twitter.com/uwnewstudent).

Bring with You

- A government-issued photo ID (passport, driver’s license, or state ID card). You’ll need this to obtain your Wiscard (student ID).
- Know your Net ID and password. (You will need this info to register for classes.)
- A pencil or pen and a notebook to take notes.
- Any academic/scholarship information you have received that relates to your course enrollment.
- Score reports for AP, IB, or other college-level tests and unofficial transcripts of college classes you have participated in.



What to Wear

- SOAR programming takes place at several different campus locations; please wear comfortable walking shoes. Summer often means sandals weather, but some of the evening activities (e.g., bowling and rock climbing) require you to wear socks and closed-toed shoes. Plan accordingly if you want to participate in those activities.
- Check the weather forecast before attending; you may want to bring an umbrella or rain jacket. SOAR takes place rain or shine!
- The temperature in campus buildings can vary. We recommend bringing a sweatshirt or light sweater to help keep you comfortable.

ARRIVAL @ SOAR

Please note that UW-Madison is a large campus, and it can take more time than you expect to move between program locations and parking. Plan your travel accordingly!

Where to Park

- If you requested parking, the gate code and parking instructions are enclosed in this packet.
- If you didn’t reserve a parking space and anticipate needing to park on campus, a list of lots with real-time vacant stall counts can be found at transportation.wisc.edu/parking/lotinfo_occupancy.aspx.
- Parking costs \$15 per day.
- For those staying in the residence halls, there is no immediate parking available. For these locations, you will

need to drop off passenger(s) and luggage and continue to parking as directed by SOAR staff. A shuttle is available from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and runs between the SOAR parking lot and SOAR check-in.

Where to Check in

For students *not* staying in University Housing during SOAR: Arrive between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at Union South (1308 West Dayton Street). Please note that Dayton Street will be under construction this summer.

For students *staying* in University Housing during SOAR:

- Arrive between 10:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. in the lobbies of:
- Smith Hall (35 North Park Street) for sessions occurring June 10–July 12.
 - Sellery Hall (821 West Johnson Street.) for sessions occurring July 22–August 15.

Where to Stay

SOAR sessions span two days, and housing accommodations are not automatically included in the SOAR registration process. We recommend staying on campus to experience all residence hall living has to offer. Book your stay online at housing.wisc.edu/conferences/soar/reservation. Both parents and students have the opportunity to stay on campus.

If staying in University Housing is not the best fit for your family, there are many local places to stay in the Madison community. For a list of on-campus hotels offering competitive rates and private hotels offering discounts to SOAR participants, visit soar.wisc.edu/hotels.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Participants with Disabilities

Disability accommodations for SOAR are available for students and their parents/guests with either permanent or temporary disabilities. During the program, students will walk up to 2.1 miles per day on gentle (0–6 percent) and moderate (6–9 percent) grades. Students who may need assistance traveling this route should contact the SOAR Information Line at 608-262-4707.

Dietary Needs & Allergies

During SOAR, a buffet dinner will be provided. If students or parents/guests have food allergies or specific dietary restrictions, contact the SOAR Office at 608-262-4707 or soar@studentlife.wisc.edu as soon as possible. All dinners will include a vegetarian entrée option.

Changes/Cancellations

Any changes to your SOAR reservation must be made at least one week prior to your attendance. SOAR will not grant refunds for changes or cancellations made within one week of your attendance, except in extreme circumstances.

CONTACTS

SOAR Office Contact Information

608-262-4707

The phone is answered 8:30 a.m.–6 p.m. CDT, Monday–Thursday, and 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. CDT on Friday.

soar.wisc.edu

soar@studentlife.wisc.edu

McBurney Disability Resource Center

608-263-2741 (voice) / 608-225-7956 (text)

mcburney.wisc.edu

For disability accommodations during SOAR, please call the SOAR Information Line at 608-262-4707.

Testing & Evaluation Services (Placement Testing)

608-262-5863, testing.wisc.edu

Undergraduate Admissions

608-262-3961, onwisconsin@admissions.wisc.edu

University Housing

SOAR housing: 608-262-5576, soar.housing@housing.wisc.edu

Academic year: 608-262-2522, AssignMe@housing.wisc.edu

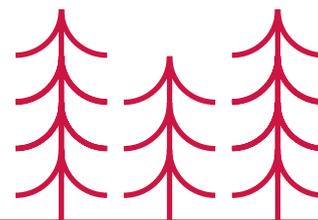
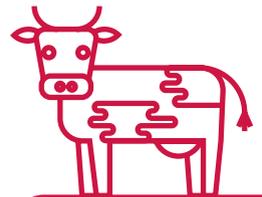
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SOAR HOUSING

Housing accommodations were not automatically included in your SOAR registration process. Stay on campus, and experience all that residence hall living has to offer. Guests attending SOAR sessions from June 10 to July 12 will stay in Smith Hall. Guests attending SOAR from July 22 to August 15 will stay in Sellery Hall.

AMENITIES

Air-conditioned rooms are equipped with wired and wireless internet connections, and furnished with single beds and a small refrigerator. Bed linens, pillows, blankets, towels, washcloths, drinking cups, soap, and other amenities are provided. Guest rooms do not have telephones. Breakfast is included in your stay. If you are staying more than one night, daily housekeeping service is provided. Shared bathroom facilities include private shower and restroom stalls. Bathrooms will serve a designated gender.

SOCIAL

At the end of your first day, families can attend an evening social held in your hall to meet other students, have light snacks, connect with House Fellows, learn about hall life, and share the SOAR experience.

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Double and single occupancy rooms are available. To be paired with a preferred roommate, both parties must request the other person in the reservation process. If you select a double occupancy room and do not submit a roommate request, you will be paired with another student of the same gender and parents/guests will be paired with another parent/guest of the same gender.

CHECK-IN

Check in to your room and the SOAR Program at your assigned hall from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. If you arrive after 12:15 p.m., you will need to check in for your SOAR Program separately at Union South. The SOAR Program is in a separate location from where you will be staying. Please allow at least 15 minutes of travel time.

CHECK-OUT

Check-out is 8 a.m. on your departure day. Space will be available to store your luggage until you leave campus.

RESERVATION CHANGES/CANCELLATIONS

Reservations must be made at least six days in advance of your SOAR session through University Housing. If you have questions about cancellations and/or changes, please contact the University Housing Conference Services Office at: 608-262-5576 or soar.housing@housing.wisc.edu.

SHUTTLE

University Housing sponsors a shuttle during sessions from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Day One and 7:30 to 9 a.m. on Day Two. The shuttle will make stops at your assigned hall, Union South, Parking Lot 17, and near SOAR advising.



SMITH HALL

35 North Park Street

(SOAR sessions June 10–July 12)

Room Costs

Single Occupancy: \$72.89

Double Occupancy: \$48.89

Breakfast is included

The Smith Hall desk is open until 11 p.m. Arrangements for late arrivals may be made in advance by calling 608-890-1250.

SELLERY HALL

21 West Johnson Street

(SOAR sessions July 22–August 15)

Room Costs

Single Occupancy: \$61.14

Double Occupancy: \$38.64

Breakfast is included*

The Sellery Hall desk will be open 24 hours/day during your stay. The Sellery Hall desk can be reached at 608-262-1076.

BOOK YOUR STAY

www.housing.wisc.edu/conferences/soar/reservation

Note: Children under age 8 cannot be accommodated in the halls.

*On dates that breakfast is not available at the Gordon Avenue Market, a coupon will be provided for another dining unit.

STUDENT PROGRAM DAY 1

Download a detailed SOAR schedule at go.wisc.edu/soar2019

Pre-SOAR Activities

11 a.m.–1 p.m.

In addition to checking in for the SOAR program and grabbing lunch, we will have the following activities available before SOAR begins.

- Get your Wiscard, the official campus ID card, on the first floor of Union South
- Visit the resource fair, which spotlights campus programs and involvement
- Consult with financial aid about your financial package
- Attend informational session about financial resources and money management
- Learn more about the Multicultural Student Center

Welcome and Introduction to the Wisconsin Experience

1–1:50 p.m.

Officially join the Badger family, and receive a welcome from campus administrators and current students. In addition, the Office of Undergraduate Advising will share information about advising, course enrollment, and choosing an advising group during SOAR.

Academic Advising

1:50–4:30 p.m.

Students will depart for academic advising following the welcome. They will spend the afternoon working with their academic advising group to learn about degree requirements and first-year course options.

Life in the Badger Community

4:45–5:45 p.m.

Students will hear from campus administrators about safety on campus and in the community, as well as university expectations surrounding alcohol, drugs, and sexual assault. Resources will be given to students so they know when and where to seek help on campus should they need it.

Dinner & Student Evening Program

6–9:30 p.m.

Dinner is provided as part of the SOAR program. Following dinner, students will participate in a variety of activities to help introduce them to campus life.

The program goes until 9:30 p.m., please do not plan to leave early.

STUDENT PROGRAM DAY 2

Academic Advising & Enrollment

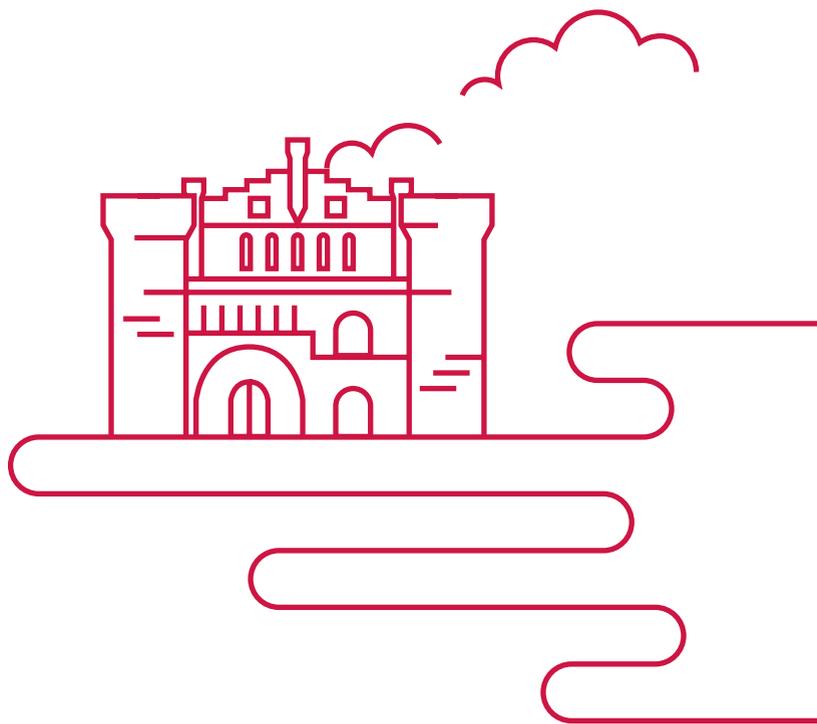
8:30–11:30 a.m.

Students will continue to explore course options and build their fall schedule. By the end of the morning, students will have a full course schedule for the upcoming semester.

Red Gym & Alumni Park Exploration

10 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

After completing academic advising, students will have the opportunity to explore the services offered by the departments located in the historic Red Gym. Students will also receive a welcome from the Wisconsin Alumni Association and hear about the benefits of joining a community of over 400,000 Badger Alumni.



PARENT & GUEST PROGRAM DAY 1

Parents and guests are strongly encouraged to attend our program in order to learn about campus resources available to your student. Registration is required and is part of the student's SOAR reservation process. While younger siblings are welcome at the program, we do not offer any programming for younger Badger family members. The full SOAR schedule can be downloaded at go.wisc.edu/soar2019. This schedule is subject to change; a finalized schedule will be distributed at SOAR Check-In.

Pre-SOAR Activities

11 a.m.–1 p.m.

We know you are excited to get to campus, so plan to come early! See the student schedule for a list of opportunities.

Welcome and Introduction to the Wisconsin Experience

1–1:50 p.m.

Officially join the Badger family, and receive a welcome from campus administrators and current students. In addition, the Office of Undergraduate Advising will share information about SOAR advising and help you choose an advising group for the program.

Campus Information Sessions

2–6 p.m.

The following offices will present and answer questions about student life and campus procedures: Academic Advising, University Housing, Financial Aid & Bursar's Office, Wiscard, and more.

Dinner, Parent & Guest Evening Program

6–9:30 p.m.

Dinner is provided as part of the SOAR program. Following dinner, guests will participate in a session focused on the transition to college and ways to support new students as they start this next chapter of their education. Following the presentation, parents and guests may enjoy time mingling on the rooftop of the Pyle Center at the New Badger Family Social.

PARENT & GUEST PROGRAM DAY 2

Breakout Sessions

8:30–10:15 a.m.

Family members will have an opportunity to choose from a variety of informational sessions from the following offices:

- Division of Information Technology
- Career Exploration Center
- Center for Leadership and Involvement
- International Academic Programs
- Recreation and Wellbeing
- The Morgridge Center for Public Service
- Campus Area Housing

University Health Services

10:15–10:45 a.m.

Physical and mental wellness is a top priority at UW–Madison. This session will be an opportunity to hear about the services provided by UHS and connect with the staff about your student's specific needs.

Academic Success

10:55–11:25 a.m.

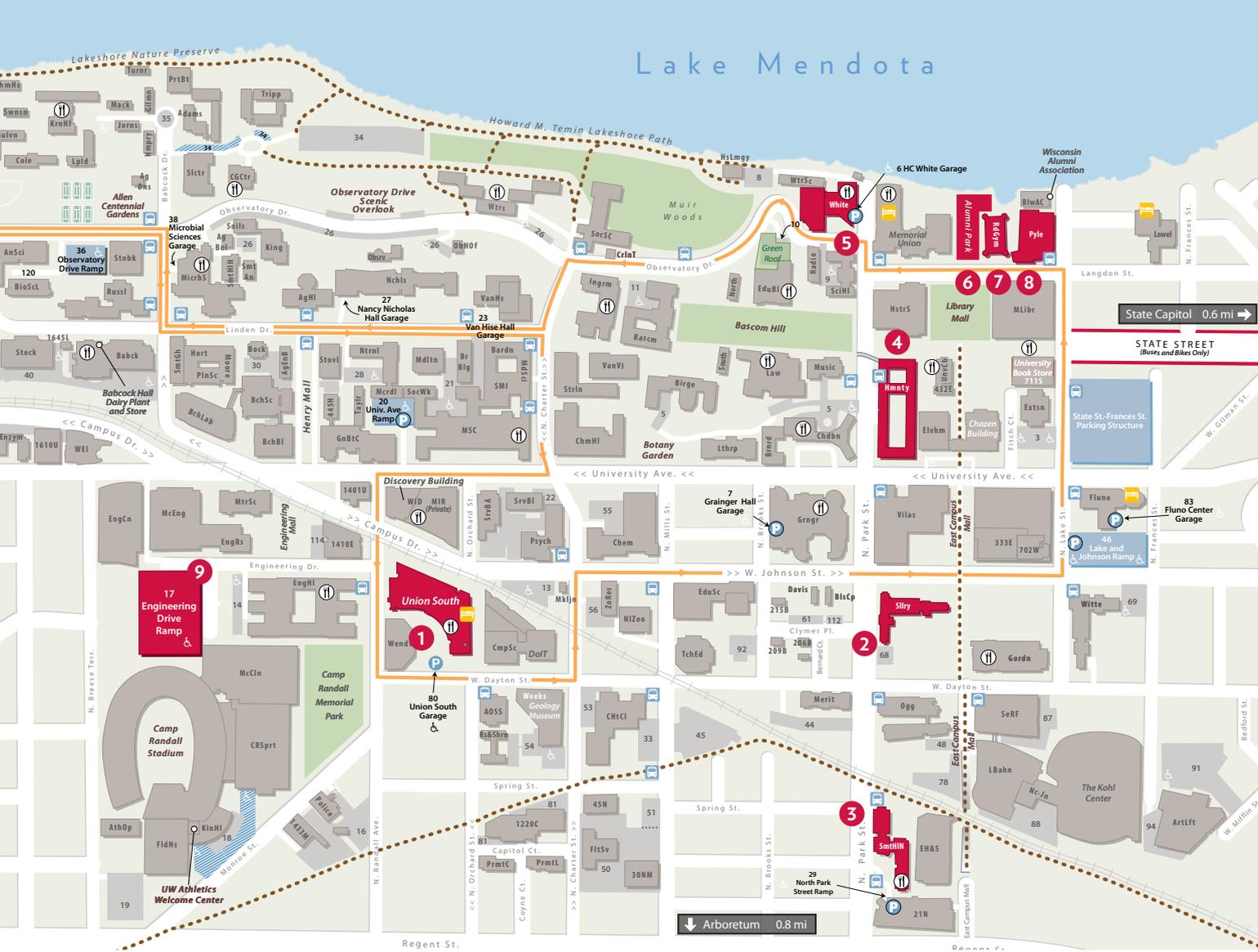
Parents and guests will hear from faculty and staff about the support provided both in and out of the classroom to help their students continue to succeed academically.

Closing Messages

11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

As our family members prepare to leave campus, members of university administration will provide information about how to stay connected with campus over the next four years.





SOAR SITES

- 1 Union South**
1308 West Dayton Street
- 2 Sellery Hall (sessions July 23–August 9)**
821 West Johnson Street
- 3 Smith Hall (sessions June 11–July 13)**
35 North Park Street
- 4 Mosse Humanities Building**
455 North Park Street
- 5 SOAR Advising (students only):
College Library**
600 North Park Street
- 6 Alumni Park**
724 Langdon Street
- 7 Armory and Gymnasium (Red Gym)**
716 Langdon Street
- 8 Pyle Center**
702 Langdon Street
- 9 Parking: Lot 17 (prepaid SOAR parking)**
1525 Engineering Drive

TRANSPORTATION

-  Bike Trails & Footpaths
-  Bus Route 80 (Free)
-  Bus Stop
- Complete bus schedule:
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