



# TRANSFER CONTRACT

For Students Transferring from  
Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC)  
Liberal Arts Transfer Program  
to University of Wisconsin–Madison



The Transfer Contract is for students who begin as freshmen in the Liberal Arts Transfer Program at MATC, who meet requirements for admission to UW–Madison, and who meet specified levels of academic achievement at MATC (detailed below). Qualified MATC students will be guaranteed admission to UW–Madison as a transfer student after fulfilling the specified requirements.

## You are eligible for admission under the Transfer Contract if you:

1. Enroll as a first-year college student in the Liberal Arts Transfer Program at MATC.
2. Submit this *Declaration of Intent to Participate* prior to completing 30 credits in the Liberal Arts Transfer Program at MATC. (MATC sends a copy to the UW–Madison Office of Admissions. UW–Madison will send a follow-up letter to the student. Student: Please keep a copy of the *Declaration of Intent to Participate* for your records.)
3. Meet with a Liberal Arts Transfer Program advisor at least once per semester while enrolled at MATC.
4. Complete 54 credits in the MATC Liberal Arts Transfer Program (course numbers 200–299). Students may choose to complete an associate's degree at MATC. Students may find that additional credits will not necessarily advance their baccalaureate degree-completion goals. Students are encouraged to apply appropriate credits earned at UW–Madison after transfer to the completion of their associate's degree at MATC.
5. Earn a 3.0 GPA in the Liberal Arts Transfer Program, as determined by UW–Madison computation. UW–Madison computes the GPA for transfer in accordance with UW–Madison's grading practices (all grades for repeated courses are included in the computation). Transfer Contract students must meet the same criteria for admission to specific majors and programs as continuing UW–Madison students. Some majors require higher levels of academic achievement than those required for admission to the university. (See *Important Notes* section on reverse side.)  
Note: Earning a 2.6–2.99 will guarantee special consideration for admission. You may be admitted if your grades are steadily improving and consistent across all academic areas and your last 24 credits are at least a B average.
6. Meet the minimum requirements for admission to UW–Madison:
  - a. Algebra (one year high school)
  - b. Plane geometry (one year high school level, college-track)
  - c. College preparatory math (one year high school or one college-level course)
  - d. Single foreign language (two high school years or two college semesters). Many UW–Madison programs require three or four units of a foreign language for degree completion. Transfer Contract students are strongly encouraged to have three units of foreign language prior to transferring.

7. Take MATC Liberal Arts Transfer Program courses (course numbers 200–299) that transfer to meet the following list of UW–Madison curricular requirements. (Note: Courses transferred to MATC or course exemptions at MATC will not satisfy these course requirements.) These courses are required for almost all of UW–Madison's bachelor's degree programs and the completion of these curricular elements helps to assure a solid foundation of academic preparation for achievement at UW–Madison. The terms in this list have specific meanings at UW–Madison. Lists of courses that meet these requirements are available from Liberal Arts Transfer Program advisors and are available through the UW Transfer Information System.
  - a. Communication Part A, Literacy Proficiency (3 credits)
  - b. Quantitative Reasoning Part A (3 credits)
  - c. Quantitative Reasoning Part B (3 credits)
  - d. Literature, at least one course (3 credits)
  - e. Humanities, at least one course (3 credits)
  - f. Social Studies, at least one course (3 credits)
  - g. Physical Science, at least one course (3 credits)
  - h. Biological Science, at least one course (3 credits)
  - i. Ethnic Studies, at least one course (3 credits)
8. Complete the Transfer Contract requirements within five academic years from the time of matriculation at MATC.
9. Complete and submit the regular application for transfer admission to UW–Madison according to the schedule specified for the planned term of entry to UW–Madison. Note in your personal statement that you are applying under the Transfer Contract and include a copy of the completed *Declaration of Intent to Participate* with the application.
10. If you are a non-native speaker of English, you will be required to take the UW–Madison English as a Second Language Assessment Test (ESLAT) and, if appropriate, the recommended ESL course(s) at UW–Madison. You must be exempted from ESL study at UW–Madison before receiving transfer credit for Communication Part A. The TOEFL is not required.

#### **Important Notes**

- In addition to the requirement to meet with an MATC advisor, you should consult with a UW–Madison advisor to get information on requirements for your intended degree and major at UW–Madison and to prepare for a successful transfer experience.
- Admission to UW–Madison does not guarantee admission to specific academic major or program. MATC transfer students gain entry to individual majors and programs through the same path as all other UW–Madison undergraduates. Admission to some programs is by declaration and admission to other programs is by a competitive application process. For some programs, students may be advised to seek early transfer. Students admitted with minimum qualifications under this agreement may find that there are some programs and majors for which they are not competitive for admission.