

Welcome Parents



An Opportunity of a Lifetime



A Program of the Offices of the Dean of Students



Congratulations!

You have raised an impressive young person. Your son/daughter is about to plunge into an exceptional educational experience like no other at UW-Madison.

Starting with the decision to extend his/her academic experience beyond high school, your student is faced with an exciting number of opportunities on our campus. The Offices of the Dean of Students (ODOS) has recognized the Wisconsin Singers as an exemplary program that extends their learning outside of the classroom, no matter what their intended major. Providing both class credit and scholarship dollars to all participants, the Wisconsin Singers is one of the most unique and exciting opportunities on our campus.

We have developed this informational brochure because we understand the important impact you have on guiding your student's future at the UW. As an involved parent who understands the value of developing the "whole person" during the collegiate years, we know that you will appreciate all that the Wisconsin Singers experience offers.

A Sense of Belonging

Wisconsin Singers shrinks a large campus to a small community of friends supporting friends. The Singers organization is a close knit group of staff, parents and alumni who make it a point to build strong relationships within the troupe. Once a Wisconsin Singer, students are NEVER without a supportive group of friends on our campus.

“ I heard from so many students in the dorms how they felt distanced from their peers and alone - I can say for certain that my involvement as a Wisconsin Singer defined my freshman year as a successful and exciting one! ”

-Eric Rentmeester
Wisconsin Singers Alumn/Saxophone

Did you know?

• The average GPA of a UW student is a 3.1. In 08-09, the average GPA of a Wisconsin Singer was a 3.35.

• 46% of Wisconsin Singers participants are part of an honors program and are/have been on the Dean's List.



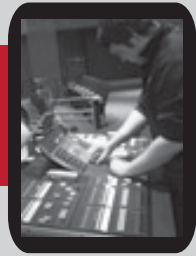
“ I joined Wisconsin Singers my freshman year in Madison. Not only did Singers help me find my niche in a campus of over 40,000 students, but it taught me valuable life skills you can't get from a classroom. I learned the value of professionalism, teamwork, leadership and timeliness... all skills I use today in my career as an engineer. And of course, the scholarship was an added bonus! ”

-Kevin McLaughlin, Systems Engineer,
Northrop Grumman Corporation

The Wisconsin Singers Offers...

Leadership Opportunities

Singers is much more than just another performing ensemble. Students can choose to become involved in any aspect of this professional entertainment company. From event planning to alumni relations, Wisconsin Singers can choose to explore their leadership skills in a real world setting.



Scholarship Dollars

Wisconsin Singers receive scholarship dollars based on their level of involvement in the program, need, and seniority in the troupe.

Peer Mentoring

All new students are partnered with a returning Wisconsin Singer or WS alumnus who provides individual guidance, support and connects them to the many resources available on campus.

Networking Opportunities

Hundreds of Wisconsin Singers alumni have gone on to become influential business persons, exceptional community leaders, and successful performers and technicians. Our active alumni are a constant source of assistance for students researching job opportunities throughout the United States.

Wisconsin Singers Triple Threat

1 Educate

The Wisconsin Singers program offers a wealth of educational opportunities. Leadership workshops, training by nationally renowned professional artists, and instruction in management and team building are a part of every student's experience.



2 Entertain

Singer/dancers, instrumentalists and stage technicians pursue their passion for performance onstage for more than 50,000 annually.

3 Inspire

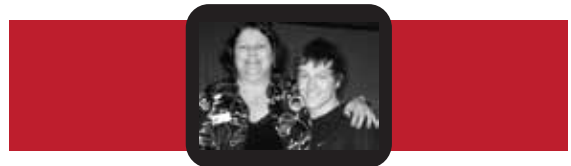
As a program of the Offices of the Dean of Students, Wisconsin Singers is recognized as an exemplary student organization. Students are trained to articulate their UW experience to audiences, potential college students, and alumni.

WE ARE A FAMILY.

The Wisconsin Singers program takes the idea of "family" very seriously and continues to support each member following graduation and beyond.



If your son/daughter is offered a position with this outstanding program, you can look forward to connecting with other parents and students who value education, leadership, and music.



“ Being part of the Wisconsin Singers helps ease your adjustment to college in countless ways. It builds your self-confidence, and gives you invaluable real-world experience. You'll thrive in a well-rounded network of peers in social, academic and professional settings, and learn valuable life skills you'll rely on daily far beyond college.

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-William R. Campbell, Ryan Campbell's Dad,
VP Creative Services of Integre Advertising by Design

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