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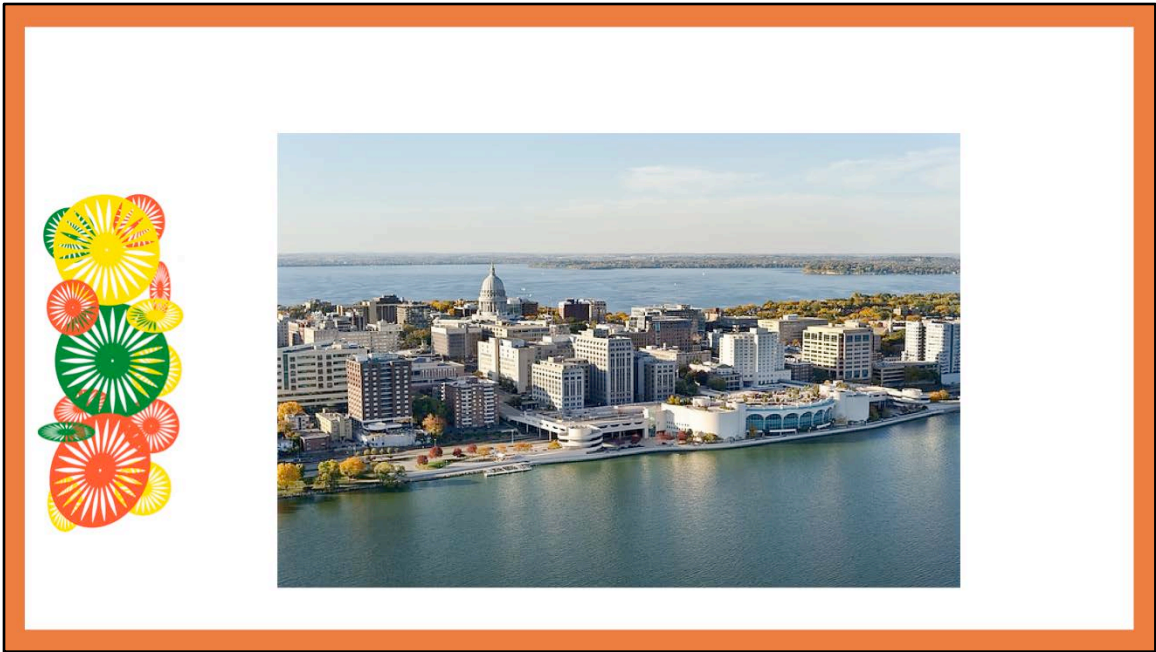
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WELCOME TO Madison!



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The city's motto - "77 Square Miles Surrounded by Reality,"



Madison is situated on an isthmus between lakes Mendota (at top of picture) and Monona (at bottom).

The Capital is just 7 blocks away from campus.

The UW- Madison was founded in 1848, contains 13 schools 7 of which house 34 undergraduate majors and an additional 15 graduate majors in a variety of biological sciences.

And the University of Wisconsin - Madison



Bascom Hall



Agricultural Hall

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The College of Letters & Science is home to 39 academic departments, 22 academic non-departmental programs, five professional schools and 70 interdisciplinary research centers and institutes and includes 65 undergraduate majors, 39 undergraduate certificates and more than 100 graduate majors,



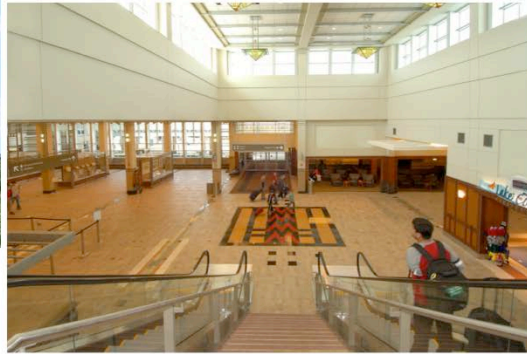
Bascom Hall

Bascom Hall on the oldest part of campus is situated at the west end of State Street and will be a convenient landmark.



The State Capitol is just seven blocks away on the other end of State street. Lake Mendota and the Memorial Union and its lakefront terrace are located just two blocks to the north of Bascom.

Getting here...



Dane County Regional Airport is located approximately six miles from campus.

Dane County Airport Information: www.co.dane.wi.us/airport

The airport is fairly small and easy to get around. There is no shuttle to campus or Lowell Center – however, there are a number of taxi companies serving the airport. Many cabs will be parked outside the baggage claim area. Cab fare for a single occupant should be a little less than \$20 from the airport to Lowell Center.

Green cab (608) 255-1234 <https://www.greencabofmadison.com/> (\$20-25 for 1 to 4 passengers) 24/7

Madison Taxi (608) 255-8294 <http://www.madtaxi.com/> (\$20 – 22 for 1 to 4 passengers) 24/7

Union Cab (608) 242-2000 <http://www.unioncab.coop/> (\$22-25 for 1 to 4 passengers) 24/7

Badger Cab (608)256-5566 <http://www.badgercab.com/index.php> (Zone cab - \$18-20 for 1 to 4 passengers) 24/7

Depending on your budget and the time you have for travel, you can also fly into either Chicago's O'Hare airport or Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee. See more information in our Travel, places to eat, etc. document.

Getting Around...



Convenient bus routes around the city



Beautiful bike paths

Free transit on campus
(no snow in June!)



Campus Bus Routes – info at: http://transportation.wisc.edu/transportation/bus_routes.aspx

The UW Campus Bus is free to all riders. Click on the route number below for schedules and maps. All campus routes are also on the [official UW campus map](#). When riding the campus bus, be sure to remain behind the yellow standee line at the front of the bus for safety. Standing beyond this line obscures the driver's view and can lead to crashes.

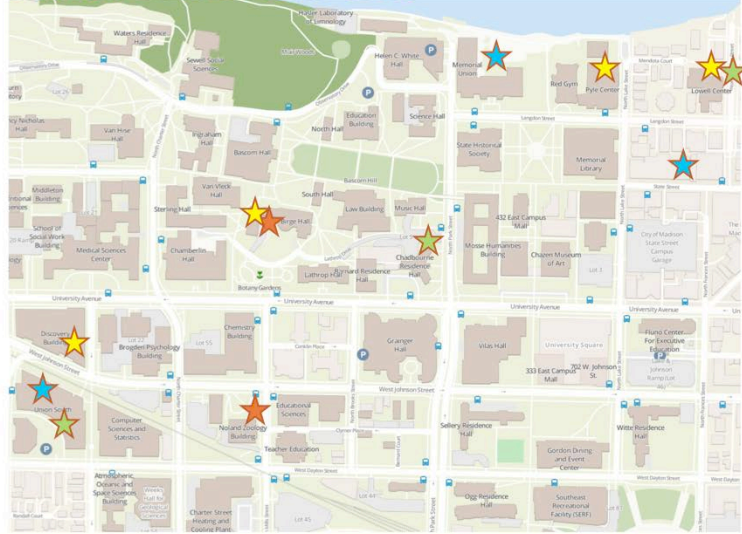
Routes [80](#) and [84](#) provide daytime service. [Service calendar for Routes 80 and 84.](#)

Routes [80](#), [81](#), and [82](#) provide nighttime service. [Service calendar for Routes 81 and 82.](#)

B cycle - <https://madison.bcycle.com/rates>

Experience Madison By Bike: One Ride at a Time! Choose a ride type and purchase access online or at any station to get started. Access Fee grants unlimited trips within specified Trip Time at no extra charge. Usage Fees apply to all trips longer than the Trip Time allowed by your access type. As low as \$6 per day.

Where we will be:



Where we'll be



- Labs and Mini's in Birge Hall and Noland Hall



Both Noland and Birge contain a variety of wet labs, small classrooms and medium to large lecture halls.

Where we'll be



- Welcome Reception – Birge Hall Atrium
- Vendors and Poster session - Birge Hall Atrium

Where we'll be



- Evening Mixer – Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery (the “WID”)

The Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery, known as the Discovery Building, provides a space for hypercollaborative activity to occur across the breadth of the university, pairing it with the nimbleness and strength of a private medical research organization.

Everything about the building is designed for collaboration, community and interaction. It encourages the people working and visiting here to bump into each other and share ideas. It is strategically located in the heart of campus, closely connected to the university's core academic centers.

Where we'll be



- Closing Reception and Banquet – Pyle Center / Lowell Center

Housing Options Chadbourne Residence Hall



Chadbourne Hall Information:

<https://www.housing.wisc.edu/residencehalls-halls-chadbourne.htm> Desk open 24 hours.

Rheta's Market – Dining: <https://www.housing.wisc.edu/dining-locations-rhetas.htm>

Housing Options Lowell Center



Lowell Center Lodging information: <http://conferencing.uwex.edu/lodging.cfm>

Desk open 24 hours.

The Lowell Center Guest Information Guide (pdf) - Find information about your accommodations, buses, restaurants, etc. here.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B1XPCT-zpcruX0tEMGFwNGQzNzQ/view>

Housing Options Union South



Union South Lodging information:

<https://union.wisc.edu/visit/stay-at-the-union/rooms-and-amenities> Desk open 24 hours.

Housing Options Many Nearby Hotels



Hotels very near campus

DoubleTree by Hilton - 525 West Johnson Street, Madison, Wisconsin, 53703, USA

TEL: +1-608-251-5511 FAX: +1-608-251-4824

<http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/wisconsin/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-madison-MSNDTDT/index.html>

Hampton Inn & Suites -- 440 West Johnson Street, Madison, Wisconsin, 53703, USA

TEL: +1-608-255-0360 FAX: +1-608-255-0349

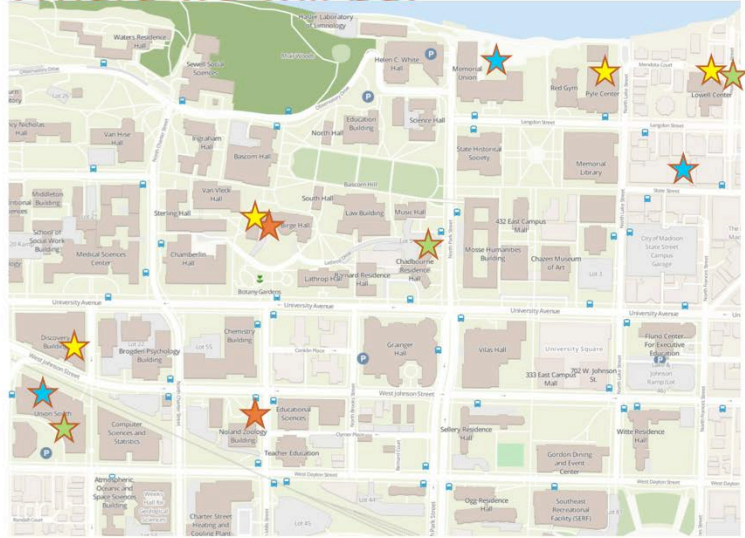
Graduate Hotel - 601 Langdon St, Madison, WI 53703 (608) 257-4391 -

<http://graduatemadison.com/>

Hotel Red - 1501 Monroe St, Madison, WI 53711 (608) 819-8228 -

<http://www.hotelred.com/>

Where we will be:



Good Eats - Local and Global Dining – State Street



State Street Shops: <http://www.state-st.com/>

State Street is about 7 blocks long and contains many shops, the University Book Store and many restaurants and coffee shops. It is about 4 blocks from Noland Hall and just outside the door of Chadbourne Hall.

Good Eats - Local and Global Dining – Monroe Street



Monroe Street Shops - Over a mile of locally-owned restaurants, specialty shops and businesses, surrounded by a historic neighborhood. Conveniently located near UW-Madison's Camp Randall Stadium. The corner of Monroe and Regent Streets where the shops begin is about 5 blocks from Noland Hall.

<http://www.monroestreetmadison.com/>

Good Eats The Memorial Union Terrace & Union South

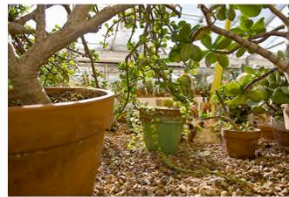


Union South and the Memorial Union (on Lake Mendota) both contain a variety of eateries, ice cream shops, wine and beer.

Excursions!

Tuesday

Zoology Museum
Geology Museum
Botany Gardens / Greenhouse Tours
Lakeshore Preserve Walk / Biocore Prairie Tour



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Saturday

Explore Madison: Farmers' Market, State Street, the Chazen Art Museum



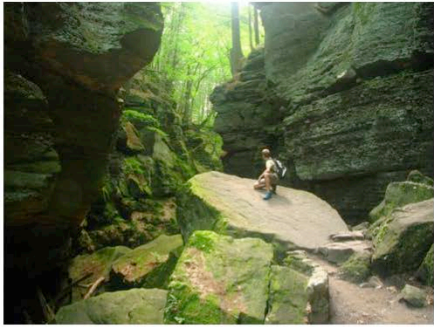
The **Dane County Farmers' Market** is America's largest [producers-only farmers' market](#). Open 6am to 2 pm Saturdays on the Capitol Square.

When the **Chazen Museum of Art** opened in the fall of 1970 as the Elvehjem Art Center, the collection of 1,600 paintings and works on paper had been acquired by the UW–Madison since 1885. Today, there are over 20,000 works of art in the museum's collections representing the entire spectrum of art history across culture, period, media, and genre.

Excursions!

Saturday

Parfrey's Glen & Devil's Lake Hike and Botanical Exploration



Parfrey's Glen is Wisconsin's first State Natural area and is unquestionably the most visited state natural area outside of Devil's Lake State Park. The glen is open to the public from 6am to 8pm. At its uppermost part, the glen reaches a depth of nearly 100 feet and embraces a mountain-type stream flowing through its floor.

Founded in 1911, Devil's Lake is the third oldest state park in Wisconsin, the largest and the most visited. Devil's Lake offers magnificent views from 500-foot quartzite bluffs overlooking a 360-acre lake. Enjoy lakeshore picnic areas, sandy swimming beaches, 29 miles of hiking trails or ease into the backcountry solitude.

Excursions!

Saturday

Great Lakes Water Institute and Lake Michigan Sailing Exploration



The UW-Milwaukee Great Lakes WATER Institute is the largest academic freshwater research facility on the Great Lakes. It is associated with the School of Freshwater Science located in Milwaukee's Harbor District right on the water. That's part of what makes our School unique. The School of Freshwater Sciences offers the ideal location and resources to study water in all its complexities. Our faculty and students not only have direct access to the water but also to one of the best water-focused research facilities in the world.

Musical Excursions! – Saturday evening



Beautiful – The Carole King Musical
Overture Center – State Street



Terence Blanchard Featuring the E-Collective
"Jaw-dropping artistry and soulful creativity" (Allmusic.com)
Memorial Union Theater

Can't wait to see you next year!



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