**Credit**
One credit is equivalent to one hour of class instruction per week for the 14-week semester. Full-time students take between 12-18 credits per semester.

**Colleges**
An academic grouping of majors. UW Oshkosh has four colleges: College of Business, College of Education and Human Services, College of Nursing and College of Letters and Science.

**Honor Roll**
An academic honor for students who completed a semester of at least 12 credits and received a grade point average (GPA) of 3.30 or better, with no course grade below “C” and no grade of “I” (Incomplete).

**Honors Program**
A program designed to challenge students to be critical thinkers, problem solvers and community leaders through a special curriculum. High school students who graduate with a 3.76+ GPA and earn a 26 ACT or higher, or a 3.5+ GPA and earn a 29 ACT or higher are eligible to enroll. Current UW Oshkosh students are eligible to enroll based on their cumulative GPA.

**Odyssey**
Freshman orientation and registration program held in May and June (called Odyssey: Advisement & Registration) and just before the start of fall semester.

**Professor**
A teacher at the college or university level.

**Syllabus**
An outline of a course. Syllabi will typically include contact information for the professor, their office hours, attendance policy, grading scale, assignment information and test dates.

**University Studies Program (USP)**
The University Studies Program (USP) is general education at UW Oshkosh. Courses in USP take up about 1/3 of the total courses you take in order to graduate and they help students develop transferable skills such as teamwork, written/oral communication, critical thinking and networking — all of which employers have outlined as being the most important factors in finding - and keeping - jobs.

USP utilizes peer mentors, who are students trained and ready to help you become familiar with academic and campus life. They’ve been selected because of their individual successes as student leaders on campus.

**Interim**
A three-week period where students have the option of taking a course outside the 14-week semester, but counting it toward their total semester credits. Interim follows both the fall and spring semesters and is no additional cost (excluding book fees) to students within an 18 credit limit.

**Chancellor**
The Chief Administrative Officer of the university. The current chancellor is Dr. Andrew J. Leavitt.

**Community Advisor (CA)**
A current undergraduate student who supervises one floor or wing of a residence hall. They are responsible for their community and serve as a resource for questions/concerns. A CA’s goal is to promote students’ academic and personal growth.

**Community Service Officer (CSO)**
A current student who is trained by our University Police. CSOs ensure campus safety by performing duties in areas such as patrol, safewalks, security stations and dispatch.

**Dean of Students**
An administrative officer who counsels students, oversees the enforcement of rules and also provides leadership for the entire Dean of Students Office. The current Dean of Students is Dr. Sharon Kipetz.

**Residence Hall Director (RHD)**
A full-time professional with a master’s degree who lives in the residence hall. With one in each hall, an RHD is responsible for the welfare and development of the students living in their building. They also supervise their staff of CA’s.

**Provost & Vice Chancellor**
As Chief Academic Officer, the Provost is responsible for faculty and academic programs, reports directly to the Chancellor and represents the campus in the Chancellor’s absence. The current provost and vice chancellor is Dr. Lane Earns.
FINANCIAL AID

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
A federal form you must complete if you are interested in the possibility of receiving financial assistance. The priority filing deadline for UW Oshkosh is March 15th (www.fafsa.ed.gov).

Grant
Grants are awarded on the basis of financial need and do not require repayment.

Loan
Loans are financial assistance that must be repaid with interest after you are no longer a student. There are a number of federal and alternative programs available through UW Oshkosh.

Scholarships
Scholarships are gifts of money that do not need to be repaid. Criteria varies per individual scholarship and donor preference.

Work Study
One way to obtain student employment is through work study. Students may earn wages up to the amount on their Financial Aid Notice.

CAMPUS SERVICES

Career Services
An office on campus that provides career information, advice and occupational guidance. Career advisers assist in creating resumes, coordinating internships, offering mock interviews and ultimately finding a job. Career Services offers informational programs as well as networking experiences with area professionals. Located in the Student Success Center.

Center for Equity and Diversity
This building houses many resources on campus, including the LGBTQ Resource Center, Women’s Center and Division of Academic Support.

Center for Academic Resources (CAR)
CAR provides free tutoring services for students at UW Oshkosh. Meeting times for one-on-one or small group tutoring are coordinated by CAR staff based on each student's availability. A great way to remember previous coursework is to be a tutor!

Counseling Center
Offers confidential assistance to students who would like to be more effective in their academic, professional and personal lives. This could involve examination of such areas/issues as personal values, interpersonal or family relationships, self-esteem and identity, career decision-making, motivation and academic performance. Located in the Student Success Center.

Management Information Office (MIO)
MIO provides computer and technology services and support for students living in the residence halls.

Project Success
A support program for students with dyslexia and other language-based learning disabilities. Located in Dempsey Hall.

University Police (UP)
UW Oshkosh police officers have the authority and responsibility to investigate violations of state, criminal and traffic laws, as well as rules of the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents. In addition to campus police officers, Community Service Officers (CSOs) are trained student employees who work in various ways to ensure safety on campus. CSOs are available to safely walk students and staff to and from various locations on campus and the surrounding areas through the campus’ free Safe Walk program.

Undergraduate Advising Resource Center (UARC)
The place to meet with your academic adviser, who will help you stay on track academically, read your STAR report, plan semester schedules and register for classes.

ONLINE TOOLS

Desire 2 Learn (D2L)
An online learning system free to all faculty and students that offers discussion boards, online quizzes, grades, syllabi and more for courses. Also referred to as D2L.

Student Academic Report (STAR)
Your STAR lists your academic adviser’s name, registration date and time, grade point average (GPA), classes already taken as well as classes/requirements that you must still complete to graduate.

Titan Apps
Campus-wide email program for faculty, staff and students. Utilizes Google’s Gmail and Google App system.

Titan Link
Online guide to all student clubs and organizations at UW Oshkosh.

Titan Web
A student’s online account from which they enroll in classes, pay tuition, manage financial aid, view their STAR and more.

If you have other lingo you don’t understand — ask some of our students to help! Visit uwosh.edu/go/getsocial to find Facebook pages for UWO students who are involved in a variety of academic programs and campus activities.