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### UW Colleges Enrollment Sets Record *More than 13,800 students at 13 campuses*

The 13 freshman-sophomore campuses of the University of Wisconsin Colleges have enrolled a record 13,807 students as of September 16, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the fall semester. That is an increase of 607, or 4.6 percent, over the fall semester of 2008, and the fifth consecutive year of growth.

[David Wilson](#), chancellor of the University of Wisconsin Colleges and University of Wisconsin Extension, attributed the increase to a growing awareness of the value of the UW Colleges and the importance of education in a tough economy.

“These students have made an excellent choice,” Wilson said. “For a great many people, the UW Colleges is the best place to start their college careers. Our campuses offer a unique combination of low cost, high quality education and easy access for both traditional and non-traditional students.”

The UW Colleges charges the lowest tuition in the UW System, \$4,268, and offers a guaranteed transfer program to four-year UW System schools. The fall 2009, enrollment includes 4,273 new freshmen.

The University of Wisconsin’s 13-campus [University of Wisconsin Colleges](#) network offers an [associate degree in arts and science](#) and prepares students of all ages and backgrounds for baccalaureate and professional programs. The [University of Wisconsin-Extension](#) includes Cooperative Extension offices in 72 counties and three tribal nations, 12 Small Business Development Centers and Outreach and E-Learning programs delivered via the 26 UW System campuses and distance-learning channels, as well as the statewide networks of Wisconsin Public Radio and Wisconsin Public Television.

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