Inter-University Exchange Programs

Marquette University participates in two programs, detailed below, by which its students may take courses at another university or college in order to expand the breadth of their education.

Registration for any of the exchange or consortium programs outlined below requires an exchange of student information between Marquette University and the host institution. By registering for the exchange or consortium program, the student is implicitly agreeing to allow this interchange of necessary information between Marquette and the host institution, e.g. registration and grade information.

Students should not take an off-campus course during their final term. In order to satisfy all graduation requirements, an official transcript reflecting all final grades is required. Taking a course through the Inter-University Visitation Program at UW-Milwaukee, the Medical College of Wisconsin, or via the Midwest Catholic Graduate Schools Consortium delays a student’s graduation until the following graduation cycle.

Marquette–UWM and Marquette–Medical College of Wisconsin

Marquette University has agreements with both the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee and with the Medical College of Wisconsin. The course being taken at the host institution must not be available at Marquette. Normally, no more than six credits taken at UWM or MCW can be counted toward degree completion at Marquette, unless the courses are taken as part of a joint program. The students must apply for admission to the host institution as a special student; the application fee is waived. A Marquette student must complete the appropriate registration form, found online on the Graduate School forms website (http://www.marquette.edu/grad/forms_index.shtml), then get their adviser’s approval, and finally submit the completed form to the Graduate School. This registers the student for the course GRAD 6933 Exchange/University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee or GRAD 6945 Exchange/Medical College of Wisconsin, both of which are variable title and variable credit courses that reflect the title and number of credits of the course at the host institution. The student must also register for the course at the host institution. Tuition is only paid at the home institution for the GRAD 6933 or GRAD 6945 course. Only degree-seeking graduate students in good standing are eligible to participate. This program is not intended for students in joint programs such as bioinformatics, biomedical engineering, and healthcare technologies management, where the courses between Marquette and MCW are cross-listed. Interested students should contact the Graduate School office for additional information and enrollment forms.

Midwest Catholic Graduate Schools Consortium

The consortium of Midwest Catholic Graduate Schools (MCGS) includes Loyola University, Chicago, Ill.; Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis.; University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Ind.; and St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo. MCGS has established the protocol whereby a degree-seeking student at one university may take course work at any of the other three universities to apply toward degree requirements at the home institution.

With prior approvals, the student enrolls at the home institution and makes financial arrangements there, but attends classes, on a short-term basis, as a visiting student at the host university. Final grades are forwarded from the host to the home university for listing on the student’s permanent record. The following restrictions apply:

1. Participation is restricted to those fields of study which are under the academic jurisdiction of the graduate deans at both the home and the host institutions;
2. Non-degree or temporary students may not participate;
3. The degree-seeking student must have completed at least the equivalent of one full term at the home university before visiting one of the other institutions;
4. A student may gain approval for more than one visitation at more than one host institution, but no more than six credit hours of courses from host institutions can become part of a degree program at the home institution.

To participate, a student must complete, for each course to be taken at a host institution, an Inter-University Visitation Enrollment Form and the applicable registration form, found online on the Graduate School forms website (http://www.marquette.edu/grad/forms_index.shtml), both of which require signatures of approval. Because of the paperwork involved and the number of approvals that must be obtained, the student must begin the inter-university visitation application process no later than June 1 for a fall term visitation, October 1 for the spring term, or March 1 for the summer term. Interested students should contact the Graduate School office for additional information and enrollment forms.