Student Resources and Facilities

Academic Advisement

Academic Advisement is a degree audit tool that is fully integrated within the Student Center of the CheckMarq (http://checkmarq.mu.edu) student information system and is available to all undergraduate students who entered Marquette in the Fall 2005 or later. The following are key features available in Academic Advisement.

1. Provides a single source document that incorporates the applicable university, college and major/minor/concentration requirements specific to a student’s degree plan.
2. Plan courses by requirements to create a term-by-term academic plan.
3. Create What-if scenarios to explore the changes to degree requirements should a student wish to change his/her degree, major or minor.
4. Review academic progress toward graduation by using an interactive on-line report or two more condensed PDF reports.

Disability Services

Marquette University strives to integrate qualified students with disabilities as fully as possible into all aspects of university life. The Office of Disability Services has been designated to coordinate this process in accordance with the university’s compliance responsibilities under the law. Accommodation determinations for all students with identified and documented disabilities are made on a case-by-case basis. Any student is welcome to contact this office for more information; accommodations may be approved through an interactive process for individuals with a diagnosed medical, physical or mental health condition that is affecting at least one major life activity.

More detailed information about accessibility for all students at Marquette can be found at the Disability Services website (http://www.marquette.edu/disability-services). The Office of Disability Services is located in the 707 building, Room 524; P.O. Box 1881, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881; Phone (414)288-1645; Fax (414) 288-5799.

Email

Marquette University utilizes email as one of the official means of communication with students to keep them informed of important information such as financial aid and billing data; college deadlines, events and updates; and important campus news. Students are issued an official eMarq email account for use while they are enrolled. For more information, see the university’s email policy (http://www.marquette.edu/its/about/official.shtml).

Honor Societies

Alpha Sigma Nu

Founded in 1915 at Marquette University, Alpha Sigma Nu honors students who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty to the ideals of Jesuit education and service to campus and community. Membership requirements include junior/senior standing and a grade point average placing in the top 15 percent of the class. Graduate students who have completed one-half of their credit requirements are eligible and subject to the same criteria. Of the pool of eligible students, only four percent from each class are invited to membership. Alpha Sigma Nu has 28 student Chapters in the United States, two in Canada, one in South Korea and one in Spain. There are over 80,000 student and alumni members.

The only honor society permitted to bear the name Jesuit, ### encourages its members to a lifetime pursuit of intellectual development, deepening Ignatian spirituality, service to others and a commitment to the core principles of Jesuit education. The 32 Student Chapters and Alpha Sigma Nu Alumni Clubs in 14 cities across the country sponsor Ignatian spirituality series, service projects, academic programs and speaker events.

Alpha Sigma Nu funds scholarships at all of its member institutions and sponsors the Alpha Sigma Nu Book Awards, honoring outstanding scholarly writing by faculty and administrators at Jesuit colleges and universities.

The Alpha Sigma Nu headquarters remains at Marquette University. For information, contact the office at (414) 288-7542 or visit Alpha Sigma Nu (http://www.AlphaSigmaNu.org).

Phi Beta Kappa

Phi Beta Kappa, chartered at William and Mary in 1776, is the oldest and one of the most prestigious of the academic honor societies in the United States. Its purpose is to distinguish superior academic character and achievement in liberal studies and, through lectureships, scholarships, and publication of The American Scholar, to promote liberal education throughout the country. There are only 280 chapters, and Marquette’s Zeta chapter dates from 1971. Membership requirements typically include good (faculty-attested) academic character, a GPA in liberal studies courses within the top ten percent of the graduating class, and at least an intermediate competency in a second language. Exceptional students with junior standing are also considered. Students need not apply to be considered for membership. For further details, consult the Phi Beta Kappa Web page (http://www.marquette.edu/phi-beta-kappa).
Marquette Central

This office is the primary source for student enrollment and financial services information and assistance. Once students are admitted to the university, this office is available to help them through Marquette processes and serves as a resource for questions about registration, student financial aid and student accounts. For more information, visit the Marquette Central website (http://www.marquette.edu/mucentral).

Marquette University Police Department

With the Marquette community located in downtown Milwaukee, students need to be aware of the realities of city living. Recognizing this, the university strives to educate students about personal safety and crime prevention through a wide variety of safety programs and services.

Marquette operates its own commissioned police department (http://www.marquette.edu/mupd/about.php), which works closely with the Milwaukee Police Department to ensure the security and safety of the university community. Located on the first floor of the 16th Street Parking Structure, 749 N. 16th St. (between Wisconsin Avenue and Wells Street), the department houses its administration, officer operations, the Command Information Center, preventive services and Student Safety Programs. MUPD operates 24 hours a day, every day. Services can be obtained by calling (414) 288-6800. In cases of emergency, students and employees should contact MUPD’s emergency line by dialing (414) 288-1911 from any campus extension or (414) 288-1911 from any off-campus phone.

MUPD employs police, public safety and university service officers. The police officers’ primary role is to prevent crime and the breach of public order. Primary responsibilities include protecting students, faculty, staff, campus visitors, property and facilities from accidents, bodily harm, fire, theft, vandalism and illegal entry; enforcing laws and traffic and parking regulations; apprehending violators; providing general information and assistance to the public; conducting criminal investigations; and participating in community-oriented policing efforts. Public safety officers are responsible for preventing and suppressing crime, protecting life and property, and preserving peace throughout the Marquette community. University service officers are responsible for protecting the Marquette community and securing Marquette’s property. They conduct walking patrols of campus buildings and grounds, provide authorized after-hours access to buildings, and assist public safety officers, as well as campus community members, who have locked keys in cars, need jump-starts or require other assistance.

To provide members of the Marquette and surrounding community with a direct means of contacting MUPD, the university maintains Blue Light and Service Phones. Blue Light Phones, most frequently recognized by blue lights on the top of the phones, and Service Phones, most frequently recognized by red labels, are placed in university buildings, apartments, parking areas and near-off-campus areas. Video cameras are located throughout campus and in the near-campus neighborhood. They are linked to the Command Information Center in MUPD and are used to help monitor suspicious behavior and document activity in a given area.

New this year, MUPD now offers a free safety app, EagleEye, as an added layer of security. Available for download from the Apple App Store and Google Play for Android, the EagleEye app features a mobile Blue Light feature, which allows users to press a button in the app that connects them directly to MUPD; a Friend Walk feature, which allows students to track their friends’ locations from point A to point B; and a variety of other safety and security features.

A wide variety of crime prevention and safety awareness programs (http://www.marquette.edu/mupd/safety-tips.php) are made available to groups that are interested in promoting safety. Popular topics include self-defense, personal safety, sexual assault prevention and alcohol awareness. Numerous brochures, a newsletter and crime statistics are readily available to provide information.

Any member of the Marquette community who becomes involved in a crisis situation can receive the benefits of the Victim/Witness Services program. The program provides resources for those in need of counseling or support services in addition to providing escorts to and from all necessary court-related appearances.


Student Educational Services

The Office of Student Educational Services (OSES) offers a range of academic support services at no charge to students. Services include tutoring, college success strategies, time management and workshops to campus groups. OSES sponsors two special programs: The Urban Scholars Program, a four-year scholarship program providing ongoing mentoring, leadership development and service opportunities for high achieving low-income, first generation college students and the Freshman Frontier Program which provides interested freshmen with a five-week summer program and specialized advising during the first year of college. OSES also provides ongoing personal and academic support for students experiencing academic challenges. For more information, visit the Student Educational Services website (http://www.marquette.edu/oses).

Student Handbook

The Student Handbook, is online (http://www.marquette.edu/osd/policies/index.shtml) and issued annually. It contains information and regulations on housing, conduct and student activities. Rules governing eligibility for membership and participation in student organizations, as well as descriptions of all recognized student organizations, also are contained in the Student Handbook.
Many colleges and departments issue a student handbook unique to their majors. Students in these majors are also governed by the rules and regulations of their individual college handbook.

**Student Information System (CheckMarq)**

Marquette students obtain up-to-the moment information, monitor their academic record, view courses, register, run a degree progress report and update their address/phone numbers online by using the CheckMarq system (https://checkmarq.mu.edu). Students can access CheckMarq from any computer with Internet access. CheckMarq requires both a user name and password. Information Technology Services assigns user names and temporary passwords to all new students at the time of their admissions. While the user name is effective for the duration of their studies at Marquette, the temporary password must be changed the first time students log onto their account and is changed periodically thereafter.

**Transcript of Academic Record**

A Marquette University transcript (http://bulletin.marquette.edu/undergrad/academicregulations/#transcripts-official) is the complete and unabridged copy of all academic work attempted while matriculated at Marquette, with the exception of transfer credit taken elsewhere. Partial transcripts are never produced. Course and grade information contained on the transcript are released pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (as amended).

Students may obtain a transcript of their Marquette record by completing a Transcript Request form available on the Marquette Central academic forms website (http://www.marquette.edu/mucentral/registrar/policy_forms.shtml) and submitting it as indicated on the form, or submitting an online request via the National Student Clearinghouse (http://www.studentclearinghouse.org). Current students may request a transcript online via their CheckMarq account. Submit all transcript requests a minimum of one week in advance of the date the transcript is needed.

The fee for regular transcript service is $7.00 per transcript (3 business days). The fee for expedited transcript service is $30.00 per transcript (same day service). Additional FedEx fees apply. All transcript fees are due at the time of the request.

Every transcript that is issued directly to students is clearly marked. Because most institutions do not accept a transcript that is delivered by students, it is strongly recommended that students request the Office of the Registrar mail or send an electronic transcript directly to the institution involved. Students who fail to follow this recommendation are liable for any further charges when additional transcripts are needed.

**Veterans Benefits**

The Office of the Registrar acts as liaison between students and the Veterans Administration, the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs and the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs. Students eligible to receive educational benefits under one of the various federal Veterans Administration programs and/or State of Wisconsin programs must, at the beginning of each term for which they are registered, complete and/or submit the Marquette Application for Certification of VA Educational Benefits. First time VA benefit applicants or transfer students may need to furnish additional documentation. For more information on how to apply for Veterans’ educational benefits, visit the Marquette Central Veteran's Benefits website (http://www.marquette.edu/mucentral/registrar/vet_index.shtml). Information or consultation regarding Veterans educational benefits is available at any time during regular Marquette Central (http://www.marquette.edu/mucentral) office hours.

Marquette participates in the Yellow Ribbon Program (http://www.marquette.edu/mucentral/registrar/vet_yellowribbon.shtml) a Post-9/11 GI Bill/Forever GI Bill enhancement program for students who qualify for 100% of the Post-9/11 GI Bill/Forever GI Bill. This program allows institutions of higher learning in the United States to voluntarily enter into an agreement with the VA to fund some or part of the tuition expenses of these students.

Federal Law requires that educational assistance benefits to Veterans and other eligible students be discontinued when these students cease to make satisfactory progress toward their degree objective. Individuals who wish to receive Veterans educational benefits must qualify and meet the published academic standards and requirements of the university in order to be certified for Veterans educational benefits. Only courses that apply to a degree program may be certified for VA educational benefits; and students must inform the Office of the Registrar of changes to their enrollment after certification is submitted for the term.

**Haggerty Museum of Art**

The Haggerty Museum of Art advances Marquette University’s mission by enriching the intellectual and creative lives of students and communities at large through engagement with the museum's collections, exhibitions and programs.

The Haggerty Museum of Art, an academic museum committed to advancing social justice through meaningful aesthetic experiences, plays a unique role in the Milwaukee community. The Haggerty engages both academic and general audiences in high-impact, interdisciplinary, object-based learning experiences that span subjects from English to Engineering. More than half of Marquette University’s students experience the museum’s innovative exhibitions, programs and collections each year. The Haggerty Museum of Art is open every day. Museum admission is always free, to everyone. For more information, visit the Haggerty Museum of Art website (http://www.marquette.edu/haggerty/permanent_collection.shtml).

**Hartman Literacy and Learning Center**

The Hartman Literacy and Learning Center is a facility within the College of Education, which supports undergraduate literacy-related programs. The center’s library houses a children’s literature collection, which is used by College of Education students as well as children participating in the center’s after school tutoring program, collaborations between the university and neighborhood elementary schools. Students enrolled in EDUC 4964
Teaching Elementary Level Reading Practicum participate by tutoring small groups of children in reading and writing after school. The Hartman Literacy and Learning Center provides faculty and staff to support and conduct research. For more information, visit the Hartman Center website (http://www.marquette.edu/education/centersclinics/hlc.shtml).

Libraries Overview

Marquette’s Raynor Memorial Libraries and Ray and Kay Eckstein Law Library support the university’s teaching, research and service mission by providing access to vast collections of recorded knowledge as well as a variety of research services, friendly expertise, technology tools and collaborative spaces.

Raynor Memorial Libraries

Raynor Memorial Libraries, positioned at the physical and intellectual center of campus, offers a host of services, resources and spaces to help the Marquette community learn, discover and share knowledge. Although it has the footprint of a single library, Raynor Memorial Libraries is comprised of two distinct buildings, Raynor Library (built in 2003) and Memorial Library (built in 1957).

Raynor Library, open 24/7 during the fall and spring semesters, offers a variety of study areas and reservable study rooms. In addition, it is home to many services—including research support, digital scholarship tools and expertise and funding information—and centers for writing and faculty development. Raynor Library is also home to the Department of Special Collections and University Archives, whose unique holdings include J.R.R. Tolkien manuscripts, Dorothy Day’s papers, Marquette’s historical records and a sizeable rare-book collection. Additionally, Raynor Library houses a collection of Milwaukee music recordings and two contemporary collections on Christian and Catholic spirituality.

Memorial Library connects to Raynor Library via the 2nd-level bridge, which is home to the popular Brew @ the Bridge café. In Memorial Library, the majority of the library’s 1.5 million-volume printed research collection is available for browsing and borrowing. The building also hosts a variety of quiet study spaces and reservable research carrels for graduate students and faculty.

In addition to its physical spaces, Raynor Memorial Libraries offers an ever-growing suite of digital collections and services. Online collections include about 440 research databases, 2.5 million e-books, 55,000 journals and 19,000 online materials produced by Marquette’s own scholarly community. Online services include subject-based research guides and online research assistance via text, e-mail and 24/7 chat.

For more information on Raynor Memorial Libraries, visit the Raynor Memorial Libraries website (http://www.marquette.edu/library).

Law Library

The primary mission of the Marquette University Law Library is to support the research activities of the Marquette University Law School students and faculty. The law librarians who hold both a law degree and a library degree teach a variety of law-related research courses within the law school and a number of legal research sessions for various departments on campus.

The Law Library is located in Eckstein Hall. The Law Library maintains a comprehensive electronic and a select print collection of primary legal materials from all federal and state jurisdictions as well as a collection of selected international and comparative legal materials. In addition, the Law Library provides the entire campus with electronic subscriptions to Proquest federal legislative history materials, to HeinOnline, and to Cheetah. The Law Library is a selective depository of federal government law-related documents. The Law Library subscribes to a number of electronic legal research databases available that are to anyone using the Law Library. Law Library users may also access a comprehensive collection of both print and electronic Wisconsin legal research resources while in the law building.

Research Centers and Institutes

In order to foster and enhance research and study at Marquette University, a number of units on campus have established thematic research centers and institutes. These centers and institutes offer the opportunity for active collaboration and research in a variety of categorical areas.

The centers generally are designed to bring an interdisciplinary focus to the study of complex problems and involve the participation of several faculty members. Opportunities are available for student participation in the programs of several of the centers and institutes.

The Office of the Provost maintains a list of currently active centers and institutes (http://www.marquette.edu/research/centers.php).

Residence Halls

Living in a residence hall provides students with welcoming, living-learning communities that enhance their out-of-classroom experiences and their sense of belonging within the university.

The university accommodates students in residence halls and in university-owned apartments. Each residence hall and university-owned apartment provides easy access to classes, comfortable furnishings, 24-hour desk security and a chance to get involved through events and residence hall and apartment councils. The residence halls employ qualified students as resident assistants for each floor or wing, while full-time, professionally trained staff direct each hall and university apartment. For more information, visit the Residence Life website (http://www.marquette.edu/orl).