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Sights on the Marksman Club

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A secret is in the basement of Old Main, a shooting sports office where the University of Wisconsin-Superior (UWS) marksman club meets every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

"First and foremost, we teach gun safety," Todd Blomfelt, the marksman club advisor said, "after the safety bit, which builds into everything we teach in competitive shooting."

The marksman club uses air rifles that shoot lead pellets through a piece of paper with ten targets and two practice targets. When the rifles are not in use, a thick wire, called a chamber flag, is placed in the chamber and sticks out the end of the barrel for safety.

Gaia Belich, a club member, stated that safety is the most important thing. "It is safe. We always stand behind the line. We always wait until we have explicit permission to shoot. We always wait to go into the shooting area until we are totally safe."

According to Brittany Andren, another member, the best part of the club is "just hanging out and vibing," with similar sentiments being shared by Belich. "I like shooting targets...generally we just chat, which is kind of a form of a wellness checkup," Belich said.

Rex Christensen, another member, believes that seeing self-improvement is his favorite part of the marksman club which Blomfelt agrees with. "He [Christensen] came down here not knowing what this was about, not being able to hit any targets... he's building repetitive skills to discipline himself to do the sport. And to me the consistency part of it is huge."

To any student interested in trying marksman club for yourself you can stop by the basement of Old Main on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. "Once you get the safety down it is engrained in you, you can come down here and compete," Blomfelt said.

Andren concluded by saying, "Come hang out with us. Come shoot!"

Rex Christensen aims down range, preparing to take a shot at his target.
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UW-System now guarantees transfer of core general classes

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The Universities of Wisconsin (UW system) are proposing a new policy to ensure that all core "general education" courses are transferable among the system's 13 universities.

The policy would guarantee that credits earned in core courses at one UW campus apply toward graduation requirements at another.

The plan calls for between 30 and 36 credit hours, which is equivalent to 10 to 12 courses, across six curricular categories that would be consistent across the UW system.

The categories that are currently under examination include:

- Communication and English
- Humanities and Social or Behavioral Science
- Quantitative skills and critical thinking
- Physical and Natural Science
- Global, cultural, ethnic studies and wellness

"The success of our students is paramount," Universities of Wisconsin President Jay Rothman said in a publication by the University of Wisconsin System. "Nothing should keep students from pursuing their dreams, and this policy puts students first."

If adopted, the new policy would:

- Standardize core general education requirements across all UW campuses.
- Ensure college credits earned in high school through dual-enrollment programs transfer as credits earned in college.
- Strengthen transfer pathways between the UW system and the Wisconsin Technical College System.
- Ensure general education credits remain applicable after transfer.
- Shorten time to degree and lower overall costs for transferring students.

Currently, core general education requirements vary across campuses. While credits often transfer, how they apply toward degree requirements can differ. The proposal seeks to remove that inconsistency and guarantee uniform credit applicability.

The Board of Regents is expected to review the proposal this past fall. If approved, the policy would take effect for undergraduate students entering the UW system in fall 2026.

The draft policy is available for review at https://www.wisconsin.edu/act-15-cger/

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Students' Missed Faces on Campus

As students and faculty returned back to University of Wisconsin-Supeior after winter break, the campus community started to return. Promethean reporters polled students on the first day back to classes to see what staff and faculty members were the most missed over winter break! These faculty were the first responses from our polled students about who they were most excited to see again as the spring semester starts on campus!

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