

UW OSHKOSH
HOMECOMING COURT
GUIDELINES

 **ARE YOU**
GAME?

HOMECOMING 2011

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INTRODUCTION LETTER....

I would like to congratulate you on your interest in becoming a member of the 2011 UW Oshkosh Homecoming Court. By applying you are choosing to commit to a tradition that you should uphold with honor and pride. "Are you Game?" 2011 is going to be the best Homecoming Week yet, and we are pleased to have you be a part of it. We are excited to offer this year's Homecoming King and Queen a **\$100 book scholarship, free cap and gown for graduation, graduation announcement package, and a diploma plaque.**

Please familiarize yourself with the requirements and commitments involved in being part of the Homecoming Court. In addition, we ask all applicants to write a short essay. Please type and attach your final draft to the application booklet.

All completed booklets are due to the SLIC front desk (Reeve Union 105) no later than **5:00 pm on September 30, 2011.** Please notice that there are required attendance expectations for various Homecoming events. Please make sure that you will be able to attend. Feel free to photocopy any pages from the application booklet, and please return the booklet completed with all pages in tact on **September 30, 2011.** Once again, thank you for your interest and I wish you the best of luck!

In Titan Pride,
Kevin Kropp
Director of Royalty
University Homecoming Committee
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Special thanks to



and the Homecoming Committee for sponsorship of prizes.

Homecoming Court Requirements

To have your application taken into consideration you must meet the following prerequisites and agree to follow the rules listed below.

1. Applicant must have a minimum cumulative GPA of **2.8** and be in good academic and disciplinary standing with the University.
2. Applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student for the 2011 fall semester as a junior (60 credit hours) or senior (90 credit hours). Seniors in their final semester with less than 12 credit hours need to attach confirmation of status.
3. Applicant must be able to attend all important dates and Homecoming events. If unable to attend candidates need to inform the Director of Royalty in writing or by email a minimum of TWO days prior to event. Absences could lead to disqualification.

- Information Session for Finalists-October 6th at 6:00 p.m.
- Hands on Oshkosh – October 15th at 8:30 a.m.
- Talent Show - October 18th at 8:00 p.m. in Reeve Ballroom.
- Major Comedian – October 19th at 8:00pm (Tickets provided for Court) in Albee Hall Gym
- Homecoming Yell Like Hell/Lip Sync – October 21st at 7:00 p.m. at Albee Hall Gym.
- Pre-Game Celebration/Tent City – October 22nd at 11:00 a.m. at Titan Stadium
- Homecoming Game – October 22nd at 1:30 p.m. at Titan Stadium

Additional opportunities:

- Judging Office Decorating Competition – Monday, October 17th from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

4. Applicant must submit application with completed essay, application and letter of support by September 30th to the SLIC front desk (Reeve Union 105) no later than 5:00 p.m.
5. Applicant must provide a letter of support (no more than one page typed) from a sponsoring student club, organization or UW Oshkosh faculty or staff. Student clubs, organizations and faculty or staff can only sponsor one King and one Queen candidate.
6. The use of alcohol or drugs before, during or immediately following a Homecoming event is strictly prohibited. Any court member found in violation of this rule will be disqualified immediately.
7. Inappropriate behavior or attitudes will not be tolerated. Consequences for your actions will be final.
8. **If you are a former UW Oshkosh Homecoming King or Queen you are NOT eligible to enter.**

Homecoming Court Important Policies

****This page will need to be signed and returned with your application****

Interviews: All applicants will be interviewed on October 4th. Please keep in mind that interviews are business casual. You will be critiqued on Appearance, Poise, Articulation/Communication, and Question and Answer. Some questions you may be asked during the interview include "Why did you choose UW Oshkosh?" and "If there is one positive change you could make at UWO, what would it be and why?"

UWO Traditions Quiz: Candidates will be asked to complete a 10 question multiple choice quiz about different aspects of UWO before or after their interview. The questions asked will be from different areas including, basic information about UWO, important UWO Administrators and Alumni, Athletics, and Traditions. Traditions may also include past musical acts or comedians who have performed at UWO. Sample questions are below to help candidates get a better idea of what to expect on the quiz.

- 1.) **Who was the former Chancellor of UWO before Richard Wells?**
- 2.) **What year was UWO founded?**

Court Selection: Candidates will be selected based on a score out of **100 points**. The point total will be taken from the candidate's interview (**60 pts.**), essay (**30 pts.**), and the UWO Traditions Quiz (**10 pts.**).

Campaigning: Campaigning is allowed and strongly encouraged for those making the Homecoming Court. Campaigning may begin on Wednesday, October 12th. Campaigning includes, but is not limited to, the distribution of flyers, posters, buttons, and/or any other materials that portray a candidate's image, name, qualifications, and desire to be King/Queen. Candidates must follow campaigning guidelines as outlined in this packet (*page 8*).

Sponsorship: Candidates must be sponsored by a UW-Oshkosh student club, organization or a UW-Oshkosh faculty or staff. Student clubs, organizations and faculty or staff can only sponsor one King and one Queen candidate.

Voting: All currently enrolled UW Oshkosh students may vote for candidates on the Homecoming Court. Students are only allowed to vote once for their top choice for Homecoming King and Queen. Voting will be via email link.

Mandatory Dates: Failure to attend any of the activities specified as mandatory will result in immediate disqualification unless it is an emergency, class or approved by the Royalty Director. Due to the advanced notification, work will not be considered an excused absence.

By signing you are agreeing to all requirements and rules outlined in this packet as well as the following:

I hereby authorize UW Oshkosh to release my grade point average contained in my educational record and my university disciplinary record to the Assistant Director for Student Leadership & Involvement for the purpose of verifying Royalty requirements.

Signature

Date

Print Name

Homecoming Court Application Form

Name: _____ Titan ID#: _____

Please circle whether you wish to run for King or Queen: King Queen

Education Information

Graduation Date: _____ Credit Hours completed: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s) _____

Last semester GPA: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____ # semesters at UW Oshkosh: _____

UW-Oshkosh Email Address: _____

Personal Information

Local Phone Number: _____ Hometown: _____

Parent/guardians name(s) _____

Sponsoring club or Organization or nominating faculty or staff:

List any community service you have been involved with at UW Oshkosh.

List any leadership positions held at UW-Oshkosh.

List any additional organizations you are involved in at UW Oshkosh.

Campaigning Rules

1. Campaigning is not allowed prior to **Wednesday, October 12, 2011.**
2. Campaigning is defined as any action to solicit votes.
3. All materials posted must follow all UW Oshkosh posting policies. In addition, the staff/administrators in the building you wish to post in must approve all campaigning materials.
4. All publicity should be in good spirit of Homecoming and UW Oshkosh. Publicity may not be used to slander another candidate.
5. Campaigning is prohibited in class or in any campus computer lab.
6. All posted materials must have UW Oshkosh Homecoming 2011 on it.
7. Candidates are not allowed to run as a pair. Campaigning will only be done on an individual basis. Candidates found running together will result in a disqualification.
8. With credible evidence, any candidate who is found guilty of tampering with other candidates campaigning materials will be **disqualified.**
9. Any complaints regarding violations of campaign rules need to be submitted in writing or by email to the Director of Royalty within 24 hours of offense. **All decisions regarding violations are final.**

Essay Question

Please attach an essay in 500 words or less stating,
“What UW Oshkosh Homecoming means to me.”