About Beloit College...

Beloit College is Wisconsin's first institution of higher learning, a place where the liberal arts tradition meets 21st Century challenges. Beloit College was founded in 1846 by a group of Yale graduates and Congregationalists. The college is located on wooded high ground above the Rock River, among two-dozen effigy mounds dating back to A.D. 700; the legacy of ancestors of the Winnebago tribes. Its 150 years of history has seen it grow to become a national college of international acclaim.

Beloit's academic campus, which was modeled after those of New England colleges, now enjoys National Landmark status. Among its attractions are Middle College, the oldest building still in academic use northwest of Chicago; the spectacularly renovated Logan Museum of Anthropology and the Wright Museum of Art; and the historic Jeffris-Wood Campus Center (Pearsons Hall), a late-Victorian gem designed by the masterful Chicagoans Burnham and Root. The two-dozen effigy mounds on the campus lawn are the legacy of ancestors of the Winnebago tribes.

A coeducational and residential college for 1,100 students from around the world, Beloit takes pride in its membership in three influential consortia of 50 colleges that have led nation in the education of future scientists, business leaders, and international leaders. The World Affairs Center is the home of one of the most active student abroad programs in the country, and it honors students from over 40 countries by flying the flags of their countries in its lobby. Beloit is also the headquarters of the prestigious BioQUEST and ChemLinks science education consortia, located in the Chamberlin Science building.

You may want to take a virtual tour for an advance look at Beloit's picturesque campus (http://www.beloit.edu).

The Beloit Community, along with the College, also contains programs for Beloit youth, the most notable of which is the Help Yourself Program, which provides an early intervention intercultural program to help students become interested in acquiring a disciplined curiosity and to understand the larger context of the world they live in.

The Center for Language Studies (CLS) Program brings students from all over the world to Beloit during the summer months, to provide instruction in a multitude of foreign languages.

TRAVELING TO BELOIT COLLEGE

Beloit, Wisconsin is conveniently located on Interstate 90, between Seattle and Boston ... seriously, we are on the Illinois-Wisconsin stateline, ninety miles northwest of Chicago and fifty miles south of Madison. Interstate 43 provides direct access to Milwaukee (70 miles) and Green Bay (another two hours north).

BY CAR: If you're arriving via the I-90, take exit 185A and go west. This puts you at the end of I-43, which becomes Milwaukee Road in Beloit. Approximately 1.5 miles west on Milwaukee Road, you will pass over a railroad crossing. Remain on Milwaukee Road by following the overhead left-turn sign. At Chapin Street, turn right and follow it to College Street, where you will see Middle College directly in front of you. (City markers will guide you along this route.)

AIR & PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: When arriving by air, we recommend flying into Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. Beloit is less than 90 minutes from O'Hare, and the Van Galder Bus Company provides frequent limousine-bus service between O'Hare Airport and Beloit (the buses continue on to the University of Wisconsin-Madison). Van Galder buses pick up passengers at both the International Terminal and at the airport Bus/Shuttle Center. Van Galder buses stop at the South Beloit Holiday Inn, which is about a mile from campus. The Van Galder bus schedule is printed on the insert.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION: The Van Galder Bus Company also services the Chicago Amtrak Station, and Greyhound Bus Lines serve Beloit with buses from Chicago going to Madison, Green Bay, and Minneapolis. Greyhound buses stop at the company's station in downtown Beloit.