

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR, BS

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Opportunities to apply classroom learning to real-world settings is at the core of a CALS education. We offer a variety of CALS Signature Experiences for students in all majors to live the Wisconsin idea and fulfill the Wisconsin Experience (<https://wisconsinexperience.wisc.edu/>).

These opportunities fall into five major categories:

CALS students **make a strong start**, and every CALS first-year student can achieve that through a First-Year Seminar to explore different areas of study, learn about how to take advantage of campus resources, and make friends. There are several seminars to choose from, including QuickStart (<https://cals.wisc.edu/academics/prospective-students/quickstart/>), an online course that allows students to begin their college career the summer before they arrive on campus.

CALS students **learn through hands-on, real-world experiences**. A majority of CALS students earn credit for research experiences in labs and internships.

Through student organizations, peer advising and mentoring, and residential learning communities, students **build their community and networks**.

Students **gain a global perspective** by taking courses with an international focus, and many students choose to study abroad. CALS offers more than 34 faculty-led study abroad programs, and students may also choose from general UW–Madison study abroad opportunities.

Finally, many CALS students take advantage of the ability to **customize their path of study** by participating in an honors program (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/agricultural-life-sciences/#honorstext>), pursuing certificates or multiple majors, and choosing elective courses that match their interests and meet their goals.