More Blugold Commitment details

The following e-mail message was sent Nov. 10, 2009, to all UW-Eau Claire students.

Dear UW-Eau Claire Student,

Today I want to share with you more details regarding the Blugold Commitment proposal that we will be discussing as a campus community in the coming weeks. You will recall that this September, I announced our intention to explore a differential tuition increase to enhance the quality of our academic programs. Since then, your elected student leaders have worked with us to develop a proposal that will support what you want most from your Eau Claire education.

As a result of this collaborative work we are proposing an increase in differential tuition of $1,500, to be phased in over the next four years. The first increase would be $375 in the 2010-2011 academic year. That investment would be used to expand the differential tuition experiences that help you succeed as Blugold graduates — better advising, more faculty mentoring, expanded global and intercultural immersion, collaborative research and internships.

Please take a moment to read the attached summary, then learn more at the Blugold Commitment Web site, www.uwec.edu/bc. Plan to attend the information forum this Wednesday at noon in the President’s Room, or my Chancellor’s Roundtable next Tuesday in Tamarack. I also encourage you to send me your comments — use the form on the Blugold Commitment Web site. Our proposal will benefit from your input as it has from that of your student leaders.

The Blugold Commitment is one of the most important commitments we will make as a university community. In the coming weeks we will continue to engage students and our campus in a discussion about this proposal. Once a final proposal is developed and approved by your elected student leaders, we will take it forward to the UW System Board of Regents for consideration in February 2010. I look forward to hearing from you about this exciting proposal.

Chancellor Brian Levin-Stankevich, Ph. D.