information for international students
Why Eau Claire?

The question is, why not UW-Eau Claire? It’s all here for you.

Step onto the beautiful UW-Eau Claire campus and you feel it: a sense of possibility around every corner. In this picturesque setting — between green rolling hills and the winding Chippewa River — there is a welcoming community ready to help you find your passion and pursue your dreams.

UW-Eau Claire students are defined by many interests and disciplines. The Power of AND challenges students, faculty, staff and alumni to explore multiple passions and academic pursuits. We are the only UW campus to be ranked among the top 10 Midwest public colleges and universities for 20 consecutive years by U.S. News & World Report. You can expect the personal, high-impact learning of a small, private college and student life comparable to a large public university.

Our degree programs provide opportunities to challenge yourself, expand your worldview and gain the skills and experience you need to launch your future. You can expect to be a competitive, successful graduate with much to offer the world.

10,164 undergraduates

280 international students

35 countries represented

You’ll love it here.
The talent and commitment of many professors and their willingness to help students have made my experience at UWEC incredible. Also, being in the university’s Honors Program has pushed me to challenge myself while helping me stay motivated and stimulated.”

Meron Tefera | Ethiopia | Applied Mathematics major attending a lab for her physics course

Expect excellence

It’s personal. You can be confident that we will prepare you for life after college through studies that combine dynamic course work with active learning experiences. Our professors (not teaching assistants) teach our courses, and the average class size is 31, making it easy to learn, feel supported and get to know your peers.

Our faculty are distinguished scholars, researchers and award-winners — experts in their respective fields who will immerse you in academic, cultural and social experiences that will give you the courage and confidence to compete in today’s job market.

We go beyond helping you get a job by giving you the skills to become a lifelong learner and citizen of the world. For nearly a century our motto has been one word: Excellence. Excellence truly is our measure, our motto and our goal.
Being a Blugold means you’ll have the opportunity to learn different things. Here I’ve been able to host my own weekly radio talk show. It gives me the chance to share knowledge and spread diversity to the local community while sharpening my communication skills.

Zhen Wei Yap | Malaysia | Journalism major working at the WUEC-FM radio station on campus

Gain a competitive edge

What makes you curious? Research and creative activity on this campus is celebrated and draws national attention. It also distinguishes UW-Eau Claire from other universities, where this type of in-depth work alongside professors is usually reserved for graduate students. In fact, 37 percent of students are paid for their collaborative work with faculty each year!

Looking to build your resume and get involved in your chosen field? An internship is a great way to explore a career or area of interest, and about half of our students do them each year. Understanding how your major can lead to a fulfilling life is critical to your success after graduation, and we can help! Through the Career Services office you will find support and resources for creating your resume, searching for position openings and preparing for that all-important interview, giving you the competitive advantage among your peers. Our connections to well-respected employers can put you in front of the right people at the right time.

Service-learning is a hallmark at UW-Eau Claire. Each year, more than 4,600 students perform more than 350,000 hours of community service — an annual value of nearly $6.5 million! Through special courses, immersion trips and organized activities we make contributions, meet fascinating people and receive much more than we give.
What's a Blugold?
Blugolds earn a degree AND a career path they will love for a lifetime. There is a connection to people and place that follows you through life, presents new possibilities and fuels your passion. Being a Blugold is a journey with boundless opportunities today and tomorrow. What will your AND be?
Read stories about current students and their Power of AND at www.uwec.edu/power-of-and.
The UW-Eau Claire Intensive English Program is a good program that provides you with great professors and several valuable classes that allow you to improve your English skills. Also, this university offers many resources to help you with your tasks, such as the Collaborative Learning Center, and good tutors to give you feedback about your work.

Pedro Henrique Gomes Machado
Brazil | Mathematics major with his conversation partner
“Mark and Rosie are my second family. I am so blessed I have. I would not survive Wisconsin’s cold without them!”

Huyen Pham | Vietnam
Accounting major at the home of her host friends

The Host Friend Program matches you with a local community member to provide you with a smooth and fun transition to UW-Eau Claire and the community. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by your Host Friend and spend three to four days in their home. Then, throughout the semester, hosts and students participate in family celebrations, holiday gatherings and community events! uwec.ly/host15

Eau Claire is not only a great college town, it is an All-America City! It’s recognized among the top cities in the nation and known for being a safe destination. Our partnerships with business, industry and local organizations provide internship, job and volunteer opportunities for you.

You have over 250 student organizations and more than 60 intramural and club sports available to you. There also are numerous special events throughout the year, such as Homecoming, the International Folk Fair and the Viennese Ball. So whether you are cheering on the Blugold Marching Band, competing in a chess tournament or performing with the salsa dancing club, you can be sure you will not be doing it alone.

From campus you are within walking distance of two popular shopping districts with tea houses, art galleries, live music and parks to explore. Movie theaters, restaurants, athletic clubs and performing arts venues provide plenty to do and see. It is easy to travel in this bike-friendly community, and you have free access to the city transit system. What will you discover?
You may fly directly to Eau Claire (airport code EAU), connecting through Chicago, or you may fly to Minneapolis (MSP) and take the local shuttle bus service to Eau Claire. The shuttle bus ride takes approximately 90 minutes. The shuttle service is located in the Minneapolis airport’s ground transportation area.

Contact information

Connect with your admissions counselor and current students at www.uwec.edu/admissions/contact.

For detailed information about the international admissions process, visit uwec.ly/int15.

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majors + minors

Undergraduate degrees

Accounting (M,m)
  • Audit and Control (m)
Actuarial Science (M,m)
American Indian Studies (M,m)
Ancient Studies (m)
Anthropology (m)
Art & Design* (M)
  • Ceramics
  • Digital Media
  • Drawing and Painting
  • Graphic Design
  • Illustration
  • Liberal Arts (m)
  • Photography
  • Printmaking
  • Sculpture
Art History (M,m)
Athletic Training (M)
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology (M)
Biology* (M,m)
  • Ecology and Environmental Biology
  • Liberal Arts
  • Microbiology
  • Organismal Biology
Business Administration (M,m)
  • Business Economics (M)
  • Business Finance (M,m)
Chemistry* (M,m)
  • Research
Chemistry, A.C.S. (M)
  • Biochemistry
  • Materials Science
Chemistry with Business Emphasis (M)
Communication (M,m)
  • Communication Studies
  • Liberal Arts
  • Organizational Communication
Communication Sciences and Disorders (M)
Computational Science (m)
Computer Science (M,m)
Computer Science-Software Engineering (M)
Criminal Justice (M)
Dance (m)
Economics* (M,m)
Education-Elementary/Middle (M)
  • Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence
Education-K-12 and Middle/Secondary (M,m — See * for majors with teaching emphasis)
  • Early Childhood through Adolescent
  • Early Adolescence through Adolescent Education
Education-Special (M)
  • Early Childhood
  • Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities and Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence
  • Learning Disabilities and Cognitive Disabilities
  • Learning Disabilities and Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence
  • Regular Education
English* (M,m)
  • Creative Writing
  • Linguistics
  • Critical Studies in Literatures, Cultures and Film
  • Rhetorics of Science, Technology and Culture
Environmental Public Health (M)
Environment, Society, and Culture (m)
Environmental Science (m)
Family Studies (m)
French* (M,m)
General Science* (m)
Geography* (M,m)
  • Environmental Geography
  • International Geography
  • Liberal Arts
Geology* (M,m)
  • Dual Degree Geological Engineering
  • Earth and Space Science
  • Environmental Science
  • Hydrogeology/Water Chemistry
  • Liberal Arts
German* (M,m)
  • Business/Professions
  • Liberal Arts
Gerontology (m)
Global Studies (m)
Health Care Administration (M)
Health Science, Pre-professional (M,m)
  • Applied Instrumental
  • Applied Voice
  • Choral and General Music Teaching
  • Collaborative Piano
  • Composition
  • Instrumental and General Music Teaching
  • Liberal Arts
  • Music History
  • Piano Performance
  • Piano Pedagogy
  • Theory
History* (M,m)
  • Applied Physics
  • Dual Degree Engineering
  • Liberal Arts
Kinesiology* (M,m)
  • Applied Voice
  • Applied Instrumental
  • Applied Music
  • Human Performance
  • Movement Studies
  • Physical Education
  • Sport Pedagogy
Kinesiology-Adaptive Physical Education* (m)
Kinesiology-Science of Coaching (m)
Language Arts* (m)
  • Applied Physics
  • Business/Professions
  • Liberal Arts
  • Linguistics
Latin American Studies* (M,m)
  • Language Studies (m)
Library Science* (m)
Management (M,m)
  • Entrepreneurship
  • Human Resource Management
  • Operations and Supply Chain Management
Marine Science (m)
Marketing (M,m)
  • Applied Physics
  • Business/Professions
Marketing Analytics (M,m)
  • Applied Voice
  • Applied Instrumental
  • Applied Music
Materials Science (M)
  • Applied Materials
  • Biomaterials
  • Chemistry of Materials
  • Chemistry of Materials
  • Design
  • Geomaterials
  • Liberal Arts
  • Mathematics of Materials
  • Nanoscience
Mathematics* (M,m)
  • Applied
  • Applied Mathematics
  • Liberal Arts
Mathematics* (M,m)
  • Applied
  • Applied Mathematics
  • Liberal Arts
  • Statistics
Middle East Studies (m)
Multimedia Communication (m)
Music* (M,m)
  • Applied Physics
  • Business/Professions
  • Liberal Arts
  • Linguistics
Psychology (M,m)
  • Applied Physics
  • Business/Professions
  • Liberal Arts
  • Linguistics
  • Psychology
Religious Studies (M,m)
Russia and East European Studies (m)
Social Studies* (M,m)
  • Liberal Arts
  • Sociology (M,m)
Spanish* (M,m)
  • Applied Voice
  • Applied Instrumental
  • Applied Music
  • Business/Professions
  • Liberal Arts
Spanish* (M,m)
  • Applied Voice
  • Applied Instrumental
  • Applied Music
  • Business/Professions
  • Liberal Arts
  • Linguistics
Teaching English as a Foreign Language* (m)
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages* (m)
Theme Arts* (M,m)
Topical (m)
Web Design and Development (m)
Women’s Studies (M,m)

Pre-professional programs

Pre-professional programs help students prepare for entrance into professional degree programs through academic advising. Pre-professional programs are not majors.

Pre-Chiropractic
Pre-Dentistry
Pre-Engineering
Pre-Law
Pre-Medicine
Pre-Occupational Therapy
Pre-Optometry
Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Physical Therapy
Pre-Physician Assistant
Pre-Veterinary Medicine

Graduate degrees

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
Master of Arts (MA)
  • English-Literature and Textual Interpretation
  • English-Writing
  • History
Master of Business Administration (MBA)
Master of Education-Professional Development (MEPD)
Master of Science (MS)
  • Communication Sciences and Disorders
  • Master of Science in Teaching (MST)
  • Elementary Education
  • English
  • Reading
  • Specialist in Education (Ed.S.)
  • School Psychology

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For more details about majors and minors, go to www.uwec.edu/admissions/facts.

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