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**Women’s History Month awards ceremony April 4 [From Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program]**
Members of the university community are invited to honor and celebrate the Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program as well as work by faculty, staff and students that make this program a vital asset to UW-Eau Claire. The event will begin at 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, in the Ojibwe Ballroom of Davies Center. Ceremony begins at 4:30 p.m. Food and community will be provided.

**Nominate colleagues for 2018 faculty/staff Excellence Awards**
The university administration and Excellence Awards committees encourage faculty, staff and students to nominate deserving colleagues for Excellence Awards to be presented at the fall academic year opening meeting/Blugold Breakfast. The UW-Eau Claire Foundation presents $1,500 to each of the five award recipients. Nomination forms are available online and must be submitted by Monday, April 9.

**Campus construction update [From Facilities Management]**
Read an overview of work completed since March 1 and expected in the next 30 days on the UW-Eau Claire Garfield Avenue redevelopment, Karlgaard Towers renovation, new residence hall and The Pablo Center at the Confluence projects.

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Preparing for HLC reaffirmation visit in 2019-2020 [From Higher Learning Commission workgroup]
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Badger State Industries (BSI) ordering deadlines [From ASK Center - Purchasing]
Departments placing furniture orders with BSI that require a 60-day lead time must have the orders to BSI by **Friday, April 6**. BSI does not invoice prior to delivery. Orders requiring a 60-day lead time submitted after April 6 will be applied to FY19. Orders requiring less than a 60-day lead time will still be processed after April 6, but there will not be a guarantee the order will apply to FY18 if the delivery date is after June 22. If you have questions, please contact purchasing@uwec.edu.

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**McIntyre Library and CIGE to host backgammon tournament [From McIntyre Library/CIGE]**
McIntyre Library and the Council on Internationalization and Global Engagement will host the fourth annual Eau Claire backgammon tournament, to begin at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 7. The tournament, which is free and open to UW-Eau Claire students, faculty, staff and all residents of the Chippewa Valley, is for beginners and experienced players alike. Register by Wednesday, April 4, by emailing Hans Kishel in McIntyre Library at kishelhf@uwec.edu. Learn more.

**Smile! Professional portraits offered on Wednesdays [From LTS Photo]**
The Learning and Technology Services photo department offers free, walk-in professional portrait sessions for faculty and staff from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Wednesdays throughout the semester**. The photo studio is on the garden level of Schofield Hall. Enter door S59 and the studio is at the end of the hallway. Questions? Call 715-836-6005.

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**Dr. Selika Ducksworth-Lawton**, professor of history, was an invited presenter and panelist during the conference "[Preventing Conflict Today: Learning from WWI](#)" Feb. 23 at Chatham House, The Royal Institute of International Affairs, in London, England. Ducksworth-Lawton was featured in the March 2018 edition of Meridian International Center’s [News@Meridian](#) (at approximately 2:25 in the video).

**Dr. Harry Jol**, professor of geography and anthropology, presented his paper, titled "Why lake levels matter at archaeological sites along the Sea of Galilee: Insights from Kursi, El Araj, and Magdala" at the 19th Annual Batchelder Conference for Archaeology and Biblical Studies Nov. 9-12, 2017, at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

**Dr. Theresa Kemp**, professor of critical studies in English and affiliate in the Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program, had her article titled "[Building Local and Transnational Feminisms: An Interview with Noelia Corrales and Luissiana Salazar of la Escuela de Español Colibrí in Matagalpa, Nicaragua](#)" published in the peer-reviewed journal *Feminist Teacher, 26.2-3* (2018): 198-212.

**Cheryl Lochner-Wright**, senior study abroad coordinator in the Center for International Education, presented "Integrating Study Abroad with AAC&U Learning Outcomes" in the Best
Practice Laboratory at the Forum on Education Abroad annual conference March 21-23 in Boston, Massachusetts.

Dr. J. Brian Mahoney, professor of geology, has co-authored an article titled "Sedimentologic and stratigraphic evolution of the Cacheuta basin: Constraints on the development of the Miocene retroarc foreland basin, south-central Andes," which was published March 23 in Lithosphere, 2018, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1130/L709.1.

Dr. Joel Pace, professor of English, was the keynote speaker for "Necedah Reads: Frankenstein," held March 21 at Necedah High School. This daylong event for juniors and seniors commemorated the 200th anniversary of Mary Shelley's novel. Pace presented on Frankenstein and race, relating the novel to the recent films "Get Out" and "The Shape of Water." "Necedah Reads" programming was developed in conjunction with the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Keats-Shelley Association of America. Learn more.

Dr. Justin Patchin, professor of criminal justice, spent spring break in Amman, Jordan, on behalf of the U.S. State Department and U.S. Embassy in Amman, speaking to various groups throughout the country on topics related to his research on cyberbullying.

Jamie Utphall, a graduate assistant in English, has had her short essay, titled "'This is not to be a regular autobiography': A Crip Reading of Jane Eyre," accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of The Explicator. Utphall thanks Dr. Jenny Shaddock, professor of English, for advising her on this project.

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**NOTE:** This event has been canceled and will be rescheduled at a later date: Transition Care Coordination for Youth with Spina Bifida [From ORSP]

This research presentation by Dr. Amanda Seeley, assistant professor of nursing, previously scheduled from **12:10-12:50 p.m. Wednesday, April 4**, in CETL (OL1142), has been canceled. See the remaining spring semester presentations in the [Faculty/Academic Staff Forum spring 2018 series](#).

**Integrating Global Education in Your Classroom [From CIGE/CETL]**

Learn how your colleagues are bringing the world to their UW-Eau Claire classrooms during the [Global Engagement Speaker series](#), presented by CIGE and CETL. The next session, “Community-based Education: Making Connections and Discovering Diversity in our Own Backyard,” will be presented by Dr. Carter Smith, languages, and John Rosenow, community member, from **12:10-12:50 p.m. Thursday, April 5**, in CETL (OL 1142). Questions? Email Shanti Freitas at freitash@uwec.edu.

**CETL's spring development opportunities [From Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning]**

Check out CETL's homepage for development opportunities open to all faculty and staff that focus on teaching, learning and inclusion. This week's highlight is the [inclusive pedagogy discussion group](#) led by Dr. Jeff Goodman, associate professor of psychology. The group will meet from **3-4:30 p.m. Friday, April 6**, in CETL (OL 1142). Contact CETL at cetl@uwec.edu or 715-836-2385 to join.

**Safe Spaces Coalition spring meeting announced**

Are you interested in improving the safety, visibility, health and well-being of LGBTQ+ people of all ages in the Chippewa Valley? Safe Spaces Coalition of the Chippewa Valley will host its spring quarterly meeting at **6 p.m. Monday, April 9**, in Room 4301 of Centennial Hall. A new member meet and greet will begin at 5:30 p.m. Learn more by visiting [safespacescv.org](http://safespacescv.org) or by contacting Jamie Utphall (utphalja9371@uwec.edu) or Dr. Theresa Kemp (tkemp@uwec.edu).

**Faculty, staff, students invited to join 'One Book, One Community' event [From McIntyre Library]**

McIntyre Library and the L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library have teamed up to host a reading program titled "One Book, One Community." The program will feature a handful of events in which participants will read and discuss J.D. Vance's "Hillbilly Elegy." UW-Eau Claire faculty, staff and students are invited to read the book and join the discussion at **noon Monday, April 9**, in CETL (OL 1142). McIntyre Library will give copies of the book to the first 15 registrants. To register, contact Eric Jennings at jenninge@uwec.edu. Learn more.

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Many college students and emerging adults face their first significant loss just as they are striving for independence. Learn effective strategies for supporting this population through this Hospice Foundation of America webinar and in-person presentation by Dr. Lisa Quinn-Lee, associate professor of social work. The program will be from 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, at UW-Eau Claire (building and room to be determined). Note: UW System faculty and staff will receive a 10 percent discount on this program. Learn more and register.

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Meeting Notices

See all meetings and agendas

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Enjoy the latest [Blugold Spotlight video featuring Dr. Rose-Marie Avin](#), professor of economics and director of the women's, gender and sexuality studies program.

**Faculty/academic staff spring meeting set for April 17**

All faculty and academic staff are invited to attend a spring meeting at **noon Tuesday, April 17**, in the Menominee Room of Davies Center. Agenda: 1) Chancellor comments; 2) Report of the universitywide nominating committee; 3) Miscellaneous business; 4) Adjournment. [View committee information and vacancies/nominees](#).

**Join Campus Harvest in [MEAT]ing the need [From Student Affairs/Dean of Students Office]**

The on-campus food pantry, [Campus Harvest](#), is collecting canned meat items **through Friday, April 20**. You may drop off food donations in boxes located in many different campus buildings. [Learn more, including drop-off details and suggested items](#).

**McIntyre Library hosts shoe donation drive [From McIntyre Library/Student Office of Sustainability]**

McIntyre Library is collecting new and used shoes of all sizes and styles from **April 18-May 18** as part of a drive to benefit Soles4Souls, a nonprofit organization that helps those in need. The event is co-sponsored by the Student Office of Sustainability. [Learn more](#).

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Update II: Preparing for HLC reaffirmation visit in 2019-20 [From Higher Learning Commission workgroup]
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Ami Christensen, Intensive English Program coordinator and lecturer, department of languages, was a panelist at the TESOL 2018 International Convention & English Language Expo March 27-30 in Chicago, Illinois, for a discussion on "Targeting Professional Communication Skills for International Dialogue." She also co-presented two additional sessions: "Creating a Community of Practice as a Vehicle for Change" and "Sustaining and Extending Best Practices Through Action Research."

Samara Dulas, a 2016 UW-Eau Claire alumna and current school psychology graduate student, was awarded the 2018 Bernice Krolasik Scholarship by the Wisconsin School Psychologists Association. The scholarship is funded by the Krolasik family in memory of Bernice and her years of dedication to the field of school psychology.

Gloria Hochstein, professor emerita of English, was honored at the 2018 Sigma Tau Delta International Convention March 24 in Cincinnati, Ohio, for completing 12 years on the board of directors, serving as Midwestern regent, president elect, president and immediate past president. She will continue serving on the Past Presidents' Council and on several committees.

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Dr. Audrey Robinson and Patti See (Academic Skills Center) served on a panel titled "Stories from the Fund for Positive Engagement" at Campus Compact's 2018 National Conference, "True Stories of Engagement: Higher Education for Democracy," March 26-28 in Indianapolis, Indiana. They were invited to take part in the panel after Robinson's grant to support Circles of Change was funded by Campus Compact.

Dr. Kaia Simon, assistant professor of English and director of the Writing Program, presented her paper, "Not Loss but Maintenance: Transnational Literate Identity Formation," at the Conference on College Composition and Communication March 14-17 in Kansas City, Missouri.

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In Memoriam

Condolences to Gloria Hochstein, professor emerita of English, whose mother, Elnora Hochstein, passed away March 24 in Fulda, Minnesota. View full obituary.

Professional Development

Active-shooter training available [From University Staff Professional Development Committee]
Chief David Sprick of the University Police will facilitate several active-shooter training sessions in the coming weeks. Following are the training dates and times:

- **Monday, April 16**: 1-3:30 p.m., Centennial 1614.
- **Tuesday, April 17**: 2:30-5 p.m., Centennial 1415.
- **Wednesday, April 18**: 8:30-11 a.m., Centennial 2927.
- **Tuesday, April 24**: 1-3:30 p.m., Centennial 1614.

The training, which will cover what to do in the event of an active-shooter situation, is coordinated by the University Staff Professional Development Committee and is open to all faculty, academic staff and university staff members. Preregistration is required. Learn more and register.
**Spring into some great new connections on campus! [From ASK Center]**
Interested in finding people who share your passion for Kubb? Looking for a group to attend concerts with? The Connected Campus Interest Survey can help. The goal of the survey is to help UW-Eau Claire faculty and staff connect with like-minded people in an effort to build community and connection across campus. In early May, participants will be emailed the lists of people whose interests match theirs. [Complete the survey](mailto:andeji@uwec.edu). Questions? Contact Jillian Anderson andeji@uwec.edu.

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- Diversity: Inclusion in the Modern Workplace
- Data Security and Privacy
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Student research coaching available [From McIntyre Library]
This time of the semester, students may need extra help with their research for class. Librarians in the Research Center at McIntyre Library offer 15-, 30- or 60-minute sessions for groups or individuals. Students can sign up for an appointment using the library’s online scheduling system or simply drop in to the Research Center.

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**Have an idea for a Continuing Education program? [From Continuing Education]**

Continuing Education’s goal is to enrich the community through relevant and meaningful classes and programs. If you have an idea for a class, CE staff would love to hear about it and help bring it to the right audiences. Offering more than 150 programs per year, CE strives to provide broad, interesting, creative classes in a wide variety of lecture and hands-on formats. View the CE website and program proposal form.

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The collaborative faculty-student research work of Dr. Harry Jol, professor of geography and anthropology, and several of his students was highlighted on Holocaust Remembrance Day, April 11, in Israel as a NOVA documentary featuring the research aired in that country. The documentary, "Holocaust Escape Tunnel," also was rebroadcast the same day on public television stations across the United States. The one-hour documentary is available on NOVA's website. Learn more.

Dr. Harry Jol, professor of geography and anthropology, along with Richard Freund (University of Hartford), Carl Savage (Drew University), Justin Lockhart (University of Hartford undergraduate student) and Barry Davis, presented their paper, “Coastal progradation and subsurface investigations at El Araj: An overview of the geomorphic story,” at the 19th annual Batchelder Conference for Biblical Archaeology held Nov. 9-12, 2017, at the University of Nebraska Omaha.

Dr. Eric Kasper, associate professor of political science and director of the Center for Constitutional Studies, recently presented a paper at the first Civil Liberties Symposium presented April 4-5 by the Center for the Study of Institutions and Innovation at UW-Stout. Kasper was one of 11 presenters at the symposium, and he discussed the freedom of expression at public universities.


Dr. Theresa Kemp, professor of critical studies in English and affiliate in the women's, gender and sexuality studies program, and Jamie Utphall, a graduate student in English, received a $1,000 grant from the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, a charity, protest and street performance organization that uses drag and religious imagery to call attention to sexual intolerance. The award will be used to update the Safe Spaces Coalition of the Chippewa Valley's Resource Guide to include a section on local LGBTQ+ affirming faith-based organizations.

As member and co-founder of Safe Spaces Coalition of the Chippewa Valley, Dr. Theresa Kemp, professor of critical studies in English and affiliate in the women's, gender and sexuality studies program, completed Healthy Wisconsin Leadership Institute’s yearlong Community Teams program. The program included creating a video story. The Safe Space’s team has been invited
to participate in HWL’s three-year COACH program, focused on skills for implementing change on the level of systems, policy and environment.

Steve Ranis, Learning and Technology Services liaison with the computer science department, and a team of computer science students (Brendan Zember, Hannah Borreson, Kyler Reuter, Dayne Reuter, Bradley Konsela) attended CypherCon 3.0 in Milwaukee April 12-13. The UW-Eau Claire team placed fourth out of 90 teams in a "Capture the Con" competition involving several challenges related to a variety of information security topics. Learn more.

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Active-shooter training available [From University Staff Professional Development Committee]
Chief David Sprick of the University Police will facilitate several active-shooter training sessions in the coming weeks. Following are the upcoming training dates and times:
- Tuesday, April 17: 2:30-5 p.m., Centennial 1415.
- Wednesday, April 18: 8:30-11 a.m., Centennial 2927.
- Tuesday, April 24: 1-3:30 p.m., Centennial 1614.
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**Update III: Preparing for HLC reaffirmation visit in 2019-20 [From Higher Learning Commission workgroup]**

Learn about Higher Learning Commission Criterion 3: Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources, and Support. See a summary of the criterion, learn about the work team, and find out about your role in supporting this criterion. These updates are provided to assist the campus community in preparing for our 10-year reaffirmation of accreditation that will occur during 2019-20. You can also find “Frequently Asked Questions — HLC Reaffirmation and Visit” on the HLC Reaffirmation page on Blugold Insider.

**Copies of UW-Eau Claire centennial history book still available [From UW-Eau Claire Foundation]**

Looking for that perfect graduation gift for a special Blugold? “Building Excellence: University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, 1916-2016,” by UW-Eau Claire history professors Dr. Robert Gough and Dr. James Oberly, are still available. Learn more about the book and order online.

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**Dr. Melissa Bonstead-Bruns**, professor of sociology and women’s studies, was announced as the 2018 recipient of the College of Arts and Sciences Career Excellence in Teaching Award at the college's April 3 meeting. The annual award goes to a faculty or instructional academic staff member who has taught in the college for at least 15 years and who (1) motivates students and encourages active learning; (2) develops and assesses effective teaching methods and curricula; (3) organizes learning experiences that enhance student learning and development; (4) engages students in high-impact practices; (5) stays current with scholarship in their field; (6) leads
campus and/or professional dialogue on teaching and learning; and (7) serves as a teaching leader and mentor.

**Dr. Josh Brown**, associate professor of German in the department of languages, and UW-Eau Claire alumnus **Benjamin Carpenter** co-authored the article "Heritage Somali and Identity in Rural Wisconsin" about the Somali community in Barron, in the *Journal of Language Contact*, Vol. 11, No. 2, pages 348-371.


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**Jackson Schmidtke,** program associate, Center for International Education, and **Kelsey Avey,** graduate intern, Center for International Education, presented at the Wisconsin Association of International Educators Conference April 6 in Neenah. Their presentation, titled "Michelin Star Video on a Dollar Menu Budget," focused on ways to make good-looking videos without professional equipment and how to incorporate those videos into orientations and promotions.

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