

May 1, 2018

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Dr. Rodd Freitag, professor of political science, will serve as interim dean of UW-Eau Claire's College of Arts and Sciences following the departure of the current dean, Dr. David Leaman, in May. [Learn more](#).

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Barron County campus administrative structure finalized

In his [latest blog post](#), Chancellor James Schmidt shares the organizational structure that will be implemented for the transition that will join UW-Barron County and UW-Eau Claire.

Celebration of Excellence in Research and Creative Activity runs through May 4 [From ORSP]

The campus community is invited to attend the sixth annual Celebration of Excellence in Research and Creative Activity (CERCA) **through Friday, May 4**. Find all the details on the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs [CERCA webpage](#).

Campus construction update [From Facilities Management]

[Read an overview](#) of work completed since April 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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Reuse, recycle, RECLAIM! [From Surplus Store]

[Head to the Surplus Store](#) **Wednesday, May 2, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m.** for the biweekly department reclaim event for faculty and staff. Come by to reclaim university furniture and office supplies for on-campus use free of charge. The Surplus Store will deliver items within three days. Items to be available this week will be posted soon on the [Surplus Store website](#). Questions? Email surplusstore@uwec.edu or call 715-836-5555 for more information.

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Dr. Wil Denson, professor emeritus of music and theatre arts, presented a reading from his book "[Life Upon the Wicked Stage: Director's Cut-Summer Theater in Eau Claire](#)" April 18 at the Altoona Public Library. Denson spoke about the 34 years (1965-1998) of Summer Theater in Eau Claire and the 126 productions produced in Gantner Concert Hall and Riverside and Kjer theatres. He also shared stories about choosing scripts, casting, technical challenges, costumers, set and lighting designers, choreographers, actors, rehearsals, conductors, the orchestra pit, audiences, ticket sales, publicity, theater finances and more.

Communication sciences and disorders faculty members **Dr. Abby Hemmerich**, **Dr. Jerry Hoepner** and **Dr. Tom Sather** presented an invited webchat titled "Mentoring Undergraduates: Authentic research experiences" April 5 for the American Speech-Language Hearing Association. The webchat focused on research with undergraduates and the UW-Eau Claire CSD scholarship of teaching and learning lab.

Dr. Abby Hemmerich and **Dr. Jerry Hoepner**, associate professors of communication sciences and disorders, co-presented "Developing and maintaining a system-wide SoTL collaboration" with colleagues Dr. Pam Terrell (UW-Stevens Point) and Dr. Casey O'Keefe (UW-Whitewater) at the UW System's OPID conference April 12-13 in Madison.

Kate Hinnant, associate professor in McIntyre Library, gave a talk titled "Beyond disability: dreaming of Universal Design at an ADA-compliant institution" at the Wisconsin Association of Academic Libraries Conference April 27 in Oshkosh.

Dr. Jerry Hoepner, associate professor of communication sciences and disorders, presented two invited podcasts for the "Cerebral Matters, Exposing the Mysteries of Executive Functions" podcast series. Listen to the [first](#) and [second](#) podcasts.

Dr. Jerry Hoepner, associate professor of communication sciences and disorders, presented an invited talk titled "Technology-supported social communication interventions for individuals with aphasia and related disorders" at the Iowa Conference on Communicative Disorders April 19 in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

B.J. Hollars, associate professor of English, will present a reading of three short essays inspired by his civil rights research from **5-7 p.m. Thursday, May 3**, in the Janet Carson Gallery of the Eau Claire Regional Arts Center. His presentation, "On Murder and Martyrdom," will include stories of the lives and racially motivated deaths of Mack Charles Parker, Medgar Evers and Michael Donald. The event is part of "Spoken Art: A Series of Gallery Readings," organized by **Bruce Taylor**, professor emeritus of English. [Learn more](#).

Dr. Harry Jol, professor of geography and anthropology, Richard Freund (University of Hartford), Carl Savage (Drew University), Marcela Zapata-Meza (Universidad Anáhuac México Sur), Maha Darawsha (University of Connecticut), Dina Shalem (Kinneret College on the Sea of Galilee), Justin Lockhart (University of Hartford) and Barry Davis, presented their paper, titled "Preliminary results from 2017 geophysical surveys at four northern Israeli sites: Nazareth, Magdala, El Araj and Peki'in" at the 19th Annual Batchelder Conference for Archaeology and Biblical Studies Nov. 9-12, 2017, at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Karen Loeb, professor emerita of English, will lead a four-part workshop titled "Telling Stories: An Exploration of Creative Writing" that will run from **7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, May 2-23**, at the L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library in Eau Claire. Loeb will teach attendees how to use their imaginations to tell and write stories and give them a "toolbox" they can use in future writing. Registration is required by calling 715-839-5004 or visiting ecpubliclibrary.info/events.

Nicole Rindone, coordinator for student activities in the Activities, Involvement and Leadership office, presented at the National Association for Campus Activities Northern Plains Regional Conference April 7 in St. Paul, Minnesota. Her presentation, titled "Plan Z: How to plan for the Unexpected in Event Planning," focused on ways students and staff programming on a college campus can prepare themselves better for unexpected situations. The session also addressed the top skills of a successful event planner and focused on the tools of the trade.

Dr. Jerry Young, professor emeritus of music, has been appointed interim director of development for the International Tuba-Euphonium Association. He will serve as a member of the Executive Committee of the association and as a voting member of the board of the International Tuba-Euphonium Foundation.

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In Memoriam

Condolences to the family and friends of Ragnhild Heath. Heath, a retired Blugold Dining staff member who served at UW-Eau Claire for 29 years, passed away April 15 in Altoona. [View full obituary](#).

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Consider applying for Faculty and Staff Leadership Collaborative

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Equity, diversity and inclusion Tier 2 programming

Tier 2 EDI programming provides participants with the conceptual framework, opportunities for self-reflection and group discussion, and skill-building experience necessary for being an effective advocate for equity and diversity. Thank you to all the faculty and staff who participated in the workshops this spring. Stay tuned for summer EDI opportunities which will be posted soon!

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Changes start this week due to campus construction

As the Garfield Avenue redevelopment project resumes on UW-Eau Claire's lower campus and the new upper-campus residence hall construction continues, students, faculty, staff and community members will see some changes and closures on campus in the coming weeks. [Learn more](#).

Blugold Spotlight: Ann Rupnow [From Integrated Marketing and Communications]

Enjoy the latest [Blugold Spotlight video featuring Ann Rupnow](#), entrepreneurship and economic development coordinator in the College of Business.

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Campus Harvest 'Donate to Dunk' fundraiser set for May 10 [From Campus Harvest]

The following campus leaders have volunteered to get "dunked" from **noon-1 p.m. Thursday, May 10**, in front of Zorn Arena to raise funds for the Campus Harvest food pantry: **Dr. Linda Young**, dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences; **Dr. Tim Vaughan**, interim dean, College of Business; **Branden Yates**, student body president; **Quincy Chapman**, director of Housing and Residence Life; **Dan Schumacher**, director of athletics; and **Dr. Joe Abhold**, dean of students. At least \$50 needs to be raised for each "dunkee," so please consider pledging in advance. The person who has the most money raised on their behalf will get pied! Learn more about the [event](#) and [Campus Harvest](#).

Public surplus sale this week [From Surplus Store]

Join us for our next surplus sale from **3-6 p.m. Thursday, May 10**, in the Central Stores warehouse on upper campus. For more information, visit the [Surplus Store website](#) or [Facebook page](#). Questions? Email surplusstore@uwec.edu or call 715-836-5555.

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Update IV: Preparing for HLC reaffirmation visit in 2019-20 [From Higher Learning Commission workgroup]

Learn about Higher Learning Commission Criterion 4: Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement. [Read about how all of our hard work on assessment will pay off](#) in meeting Criterion 4, learn about the work team, and find out about your role in continuing to support 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.

Reminder: Spring 2018 planned steam and electrical outages [From Facilities Management]

This spring's planned **steam outage** will occur from **6 p.m. Saturday, May 19, through 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 29**. There will be no potable hot water during the steam outage — except in [designated locations](#) that have electrical or natural gas backup hot water generation equipment. This spring's planned **electrical outage** will begin at **7 a.m. Sunday, May 20**. Each building is expected to be without power for 1½-2 hours. Facilities staff will coordinate the specific inspection schedule with assigned building coordinators. [View details about the steam and electrical outages](#).

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Join EDI division's Friday walks! [From EDI division]

The division of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion invites all UW-Eau Claire community members to join its weekly Friday walks. Each Friday at noon, the group meets at the Sprites sculpture between Centennial and Schofield halls for a 30-minute/one-mile walk. [Learn more](#).

Reminder: Review UW System alcohol and drug policies [From Student Health Service]

UW-Eau Claire faculty and staff are reminded to stay up-to-date on UW System policies on alcohol and drug use. [See the website](#) for information and resources.

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Be well at work! [From ASK Center - Human Resources]

Check out the [May Employee Wellness newsletter](#) — the last issue of the 2017-18 academic year.

Register for summer kubb! [From CETL]

After another semester of hard work, faculty and staff are invited to participate in summer kubb games from **noon-1 p.m.** on the green space behind Thomas Hall. The schedule is as follows: **Practice day (optional): Tuesday, May 29; Game days: weekdays, May 30-June 6. Rain date: June 8.** Register your team of 3-6 people. Don't have a team? That's OK! CETL will find a team for you. [View more details and register by May 23.](#)

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Dr. Kaishan Kong, assistant professor of Chinese in the department of languages, delivered a workshop titled "Approaches to talking with teachers about everyday culture in a Chinese language class" at the 2018 STARTALK Spring Conference May 28 in Philadelphia. [STARTALK](#) is a project funded by the National Security Agency and administered by the National Foreign Language Center at the University of Maryland. The project's mission is to increase the number of U.S. citizens learning, speaking and teaching critical-need foreign languages, with programs for students (K-16) and teachers.

Paul Kosower, professor emeritus of music and theatre arts, gave an organ recital March 7 at First Presbyterian Church in Rochester, Minnesota, and on April 15 he performed a cello recital at the same concert venue. On May 9 he will present an organ recital at St. John's the Evangelist Cathedral in Milwaukee.

Dr. Lisa Quinn-Lee, associate professor of social work, co-authored the following article with **Dr. Susan Moch**, professor emerita of nursing, and Jeanne Weggel: Quinn-Lee, L., Weggel, J., & Moch, S.D. (2018), "[Use of oxygen at the end of life: Attitudes, beliefs, and practices in Wisconsin](#)," *Wisconsin Medical Journal*, 117(1), 7-12.

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Sabbatical information session set for May 16 [From ORSP]

Dr. Karen Havholm, assistant vice chancellor for research and sponsored programs and director, Center of Excellence for Faculty and Undergraduate Student Research Collaboration, will lead a [sabbatical information session](#) from noon-1 p.m., **Wednesday, May 16**, as part of the 2017-18 Grants Educational Series.

Grants 101: Proposal Planning and Writing Basics [From ORSP]

Jeremy Miner, ORSP director of grants and contracts, will present this session from **9 a.m.-noon Thursday, May 24**, to conclude the [2017-18 Grants Educational Series](#).

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Printing Services Express announces finals week and summer hours [From Printing Services]

The Printing Services walk-up counter in Davies 105 will be open during finals week and over the summer, as follows:

- 📍 Finals week: weekdays, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- 📍 Summer: weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

For more information, contact Printing Services at printingservices@uwec.edu or 715-836-5621 during regular business hours.

Emergency response training to be held May 20

UW-Eau Claire Police will work with the Eau Claire Police Department, the Eau Claire Fire Department and the Eau Claire County Sheriff's Office to conduct an emergency response training exercise on the university's upper campus on Sunday, May 20. [Learn more.](#)

Save the date/call for presenters: Share the awesome at Showcase 2018

The University Planning Committee will present Showcase 2018 at **10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28, in the Davies Center Marketplace** as a way for UW-Eau Claire and UW-Barron County faculty and staff to share their proven strategies for supporting student retention and equity, diversity and inclusion. Have a great student retention and/or EDI strategy? Send in your suggested topic by June 1. [Learn more.](#)

Parking and Transportation seeks input [From Blugold Central - Parking and Transportation]

The Parking and Transportation Services unit of Blugold Central is engaging in a conversation with the campus community about possible alternative approaches to parking on campus. Please provide input through this [online survey](#).

Faculty/staff parking June 5 during Senior Americans Day

UW-Eau Claire Continuing Education will host the 30th annual Senior Americans Day from **7 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday, June 5**, in Davies Center. Many event participants have physical limitations, so nearby parking is essential. Faculty and staff are asked to consider parking in either the Water Street or HSS parking lot that day, and may use the shuttle service that will run from 6:45 a.m.-4 p.m. between the HSS lot and Davies Center.

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Globalize your research! Funded through the Blugold Commitment, the International Fellows Program capitalizes on the strength and success of high-impact academic experiences and is dedicated to supporting international student-faculty collaborative research/creative activity and research service-learning. Applications are due to department chairs/program directors/supervisors by **Friday, June 8**. This deadline is meant to target projects planned for **Winterim or summer 2019**. [Review all program details, requirements and application materials.](#)

Faculty, staff invited to participate in Experts Directory [From Integrated Marketing and Communications]

UW-Eau Claire faculty and staff are invited to be included in the university's online [Experts Directory](#), a listing of faculty and staff experts who can comment to the news media on a variety of topics and issues and who may be available to speak to service and professional groups. Faculty and staff who sign on as experts in their fields of interest and areas of knowledge will help make the Experts Directory a more comprehensive and valuable resource for the news media and community members. To participate, fill out the online [Experts Directory form](#).

Reminder: Spring 2018 planned steam and electrical outages [From Facilities Management]

This spring's planned **steam outage** will occur from **6 p.m. Saturday, May 19, through 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 29**. There will be no potable hot water during the steam outage — except in [designated locations](#) that have electrical or natural gas backup hot water generation equipment. This spring's planned **electrical outage** will begin at **7 a.m. Sunday, May 20**. Each building is expected to be without power for 1½-2 hours. Facilities staff will coordinate the specific inspection schedule with assigned building coordinators. [View details about the steam and electrical outages.](#)

Reuse, recycle, RECLAIM! [From Surplus Store]

[Head to the Surplus Store](#) **Wednesday, May 16, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m.** for the biweekly department reclaim event for faculty and staff. Come by to reclaim university furniture and office supplies for on-campus use free of charge. The Surplus Store will deliver items within three days. Items to be available this week will be posted soon on the [Surplus Store website](#). Questions? Email surplusstore@uwec.edu or call 715-836-5555 for more information.

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.](#)

Save the date: Blugold Beginnings golf fundraiser

On Monday, **July 23**, UW-Eau Claire's Blugold Beginnings program will host a golf tournament to raise funds for programming in area schools and college scholarships. [Learn more.](#)

Purchasing training available [From ASK Center - Purchasing]

Learn the basics of purchasing goods and services for use at UW-Eau Claire. Find out where and how to purchase common items (office supplies, batteries, furniture, software, computers, etc.). Learn about contract and noncontract purchasing, methods of payment, e-forms, helpful websites and expected timeframes. Bring your questions — special topics will be addressed as requested! Register for the May session, set for **1-2 p.m. May 16**, in Old Library 1128.

McIntyre Library shoe donation drive concludes May 18 [From McIntyre Library/Student Office of Sustainability]

McIntyre Library is collecting new and used shoes of all sizes and styles **through Friday, 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.](#)

Register for summer kubb! [From CETL]

After another semester of hard work, faculty and staff are invited to participate in summer kubb games from **noon-1 p.m.** on the green space behind Thomas Hall. The schedule is as follows: **Practice day (optional): Tuesday, May 29; game days: weekdays, May 30-June 6. Rain date: June 8.** Register your team of 3-6 people. Don't have a team? That's OK! CETL will find a team for you. [View more details and register by May 23.](#)

Proposed curricular changes in College of Arts and Sciences [From College of Arts and Sciences]

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Awards and Achievements

The Wisconsin Small Business Association has named Barron County Cheese, a client served by the Small Business Development Center at UW-Eau Claire, as the state's Small Business Exporter of the Year. SBDC at UW-Eau Claire staffers **Luke Kempen**, director, and **David Kochendorfer**, business consultant, have provided SBDC services to Barron County Cheese.

Dr. Tali Lee, professor of biology, with University of Minnesota collaborators, had a paper, titled "[Unexpected reversal of C3 versus C4 grass response to elevated CO2 during a 20-year field experiment](#)," published in the April 20 issue of the journal *Science*. [See related story](#).

Dr. Donna Lehmkuhl, director of UW-Eau Claire's ECLIPSE program, and **Dr. Scott Lester**, professor of management, as well as several UW-Eau Claire students, recently received Excellence in Service-Learning Awards, scholarships and fellowships during a Center for Service-Learning recognition event. [Learn more](#).

Dr. Jessica Miller, professor of French in the department of languages, and **Dr. Roslyn Theisen**, assistant professor of chemistry, are the 2018 recipients of the Janis Annette Haywood Faculty Development Fund awards in the College of Arts and Sciences. The fund honors Janis Annette Haywood and was established by her family — husband Carl (former College of Arts and Sciences dean and history faculty member) and daughters Rachel and Kale. The awards recognize faculty contributions to student success and support faculty development projects and initiatives, especially those that enhance their teaching skills, engage them in high-impact practices with students and/or advance their scholarly activities in the context of contributing to student success.

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In Memoriam

Condolences to Jacqueline Kriesel, University Accounting, whose mother, Linda Gesche, passed away May 6 in Eau Claire. [View full obituary.](#)

Professional Development

Call for Blugold campus facilitators

Are you interested in playing a more active role in creating our future? Apply to be trained to facilitate on-campus workshops, including Blugold Service Excellence program and a variety of FranklinCovey offerings. Students, faculty and staff are all welcome to apply by **Friday, June 1**. Email Jenni Sterling at sterlijl@uwec.edu for an application or for more information.

Register now for EDI Tier 2 summer programs

Tier 2 EDI programming provides participants with the conceptual framework, opportunities for self-reflection and group discussion, and skill-building experience necessary for being an effective advocate for equity and diversity. [Summer programs are now available for viewing and registration.](#) Additional sessions are being planned and will be posted soon.

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

Check out [CETL's homepage](#) for summer opportunities open to all faculty and staff. Offerings include May sessions to learn about Canvas, the new learning management system replacing D2L; the "Engaging in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning" book group (June and July); and the "Teaching for Inclusion" two-day workshop in July. Individual consultations also are available if you are interested in curricular changes, student engagement or student evaluations. Interested? Email CETL@uwec.edu.

Sabbatical information session set for May 16 [From ORSP]

Dr. Karen Havholm, assistant vice chancellor for research and sponsored programs and

director, Center of Excellence for Faculty and Undergraduate Student Research Collaboration, will lead a [sabbatical information session](#) from noon-1 p.m. **Wednesday, May 16**, as part of the 2017-18 Grants Educational Series.

Grants 101: Proposal Planning and Writing Basics [From ORSP]

Jeremy Miner, ORSP director of grants and contracts, will present this session from **9 a.m.-noon Thursday, May 24**, to conclude the [2017-18 Grants Educational Series](#).

University Staff Professional Development Day

The University Staff Professional Development Committee is planning the 2018 professional development day for university staff. “Eau the Bridges We’ll Build!” will be from **7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday, June 7**, in Davies Center. [Learn more](#).

Blugold Excellence in Supervision series [From ASK Center - Human Resources]

Following are the Blugold Excellence in Supervision sessions offered in May and June: Supporting Employee Performance: [1 p.m. May 15](#); Troubled “Performance Management”: [9 a.m. May 9](#) and [1 p.m. May 22](#); Managing Change and Transition: [9 a.m. June 6](#) and [1 p.m. June 20](#); Blugold Service Excellence Philosophy (part of Professional Development Day): [June 7](#); and Blugold Service Excellence-Employee Engagement: [9 a.m. June 12](#) and [1 p.m. June 26](#). [Full details](#) are available online. Questions? Contact Karen Callaway at callawkl@uwec.edu or 715-836-4202.

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? [Complete the Connected Campus Interest Survey](#) to connect with like-minded faculty and staff as part of an effort to build community across campus. In early May, participants will be emailed the lists of people whose interests match theirs. Questions? Contact Jillian Anderson andeji@uwec.edu.

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