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Honors Program director candidate open forums set for today and May 16

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- **Rebecca Rozelle-Stone, 11:15 a.m.-noon TODAY, May 7**, Menominee Room (320F), Davies Center.
- **Christopher Keller, 11:15 a.m.-noon Tuesday, May 15**, Menominee Room (320F), Davies Center.
- **Kirsten Bartels, 11:15 a.m.-noon Thursday, May 16**, Council Oak Room (260), Davies Center.

The candidates' vitae and letters of application can be [found online](#). Video recordings of the forums and brief feedback surveys for each candidate also will be posted at the link above shortly after each presentation.

G parking permit application process closes May 10

If you intend to apply for a guaranteed (G) parking permit for the 2019-20 academic year, the [e-form application](#) must be submitted by **May 10 at midnight**. Permits will be assigned in the order eforms are received. Questions? Call Blugold Central at 715-836-3000.

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Service Recognition and Retirement Reception set for May 8

Mark your calendars for the 2019 Service and Retirement Reception to be held from **1-2:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 8**, in the Ojibwe Ballroom of Davies Center. Please come and enjoy a variety of desserts, mingle with friends, and help honor our retirees and [service award](#)

[recipients](#). Provost Patricia A. Kleine will begin the formal program at 1:15 p.m. Thank you to the UW-Eau Claire Foundation for its support of this event.

Reception to recognize CSD department's Teaching Excellence Award

Please come and enjoy a variety of desserts, mingle with friends and help honor the communication sciences and disorders department on its 2019 UW System Board of Regents Teaching Excellence Award. The reception will be from **4:30-6 p.m. Monday, May 13**, in the lobby of the Human Sciences and Services building on Water Street. Dean Carmen Manning will begin the formal program at 5:15 p.m. [Learn more about the department's award.](#)

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Title and Total Compensation (TTC) Project update

The TTC Project aims to modernize the UW System's title, pay and benefits programs. Its goal is to develop new systems that will help UW institutions attract and retain the best people. The results of this project will be concise, consistent and relevant job titles and descriptions; market-informed pay and benefits structures; and a framework for career development. [Learn more about the TTC project.](#)

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Reuse, recycle, RECLAIM!

Head to the [Surplus Store](#) **Wednesday, May 8, 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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McIntyre Library faculty **Hans Kishel**, experiential learning librarian, and **Eric Jennings**, head of user services, presented "Question Everything: Living in the Information Age" at the Wisconsin Association of Academic Librarians conference April 18-19 in Eau Claire for which they received the 2019 WAAL Information Literacy Award.

Congratulations to the faculty/staff completers of the EDI Tier 3 professional development program. The following individual completed 10 or more Tier 2 sessions and a project within their scope of duties to help improve EDI on campus: **Dr. Diane Marcyjanik**, nursing, "Creating Meaningful Assignments to Reflect on Assumptions and Beliefs Regarding the Native American Indian Population."

The Eastern Academy of Management has recognized **Dr. Brent Opall**, assistant professor of management and marketing, as an Outstanding Reviewer, a distinction awarded to the top 10% of all reviewers for the 2019 Eastern Academy of Management.

Dr. Kong Pheng Pha, assistant professor of critical Hmong studies and women's, gender, and sexuality studies, participated in two roundtables titled "AAAS Mentorship Session: The Need for Mentorship in Emerging Fields: A Conversation in Hmong American Studies" and "The Institutionalization of Hmong American Studies" at the Association for Asian American Studies National Conference April 25-27 in Madison. Pha also presented his research on a panel titled "Seeking Sanctuary for the 'Ungovernable' in Hmong American Literature."

Dr. Laura Suppes, associate professor in the Watershed Institute for Collaborative Environmental Studies, co-authored an article, "[Validation of Questionnaire Methods to Quantify Recreational Water Ingestion](#)," that was published in the *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, November 2018. Co-authors were Kelly Reynolds (University of Arizona College of Public Health), Kacey Ernst (University of Arizona College of Public Health) and Leif Abrell (University of Arizona Department of Soil, Water and Environmental Science).

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Campus News and Features

Blugold graduates in the spotlight

UW-Eau Claire commencement is just over two weeks away. The following stories share the transformational Blugold experiences and future plans of some of our many promising graduates:

- [First Blugolds to graduate from UW-Eau Claire with degrees in materials science and engineering](#)
- [New grad's passion for Spanish and nursing shapes how she sees her future](#)

- [Biology grad heading to Mayo Clinic to pursue career in medicine and research](#)
- [Passion for science, languages shapes grad's Blugold experience](#)

Landing a job before graduation

Many of our graduating Blugolds have found success in their job search, landing positions before they have a diploma in hand. [View videos featuring 20 May graduates](#) who are ready to hit the ground running with their new employers.

Generous donor commitment completes transformation of Garfield Avenue redevelopment

Through a generous gift from Jon and Megan Stowe, the final elements of the Garfield Avenue redevelopment will begin this summer. Their support will fund a gateway entrance to lower campus, a rock and water feature, and completion of an outdoor classroom. [Learn more.](#)

Final work and enhancements to Garfield Avenue begin

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EDI professional development opportunities

There is still space available in the last EDI sessions of the spring semester. These opportunities include in-person training sessions and workshops on specialized topics, such as inclusive pedagogy, implicit and unconscious bias, racism and institutional racism, gender and sexual orientation. [Visit the Tier 2 EDI programming registration site](#) to sign up for spring sessions and workshops that interest you.

- Asian American Pacific Islander Identity Panel Discussion: [May 9, 4-5 p.m.](#); Human Diversity Expo: [May 9, 5-6:15 p.m.](#); and Operationalizing EDI for Supervisors: [May 20, 1-3 p.m.](#)

CETL's spring professional development opportunities

Check out [CETL's homepage](#) for opportunities open to all faculty and staff that focus on teaching, learning and inclusion. Upcoming offerings include:

- Using Assessment to Help Students Find the “Good Stuff” in Liberal Education (part of “Improve Student Learning Using Assessment Series”): [May 9, noon-12:50 p.m.](#)
- Faculty Fridays Open Write: Weekly open writing sessions, [Fridays through May 17, 9-11 a.m.](#) Email CETL@uwec.edu to register.

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'Blugold Spotlight' features Jack Kapfer

Enjoy the latest "[Blugold Spotlight](#)" video, which features Jack Kapfer, associate professor of communication and journalism.

Campuswide emergency notification system test set for May 16

UW-Eau Claire will conduct a campuswide test of Omnilert, the university's emergency notification system, at 10 a.m. **Thursday, May 16**. [Learn more](#) about the test and how to sign up for Omnilert.

Honors Program director candidate open forum set for May 16 (May 15 forum canceled)

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Director of Admissions candidate open forum set for May 17

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend an open forum and Q&A session at **10:30 a.m. Friday, May 17**, with **Jonathan Brown**, a candidate for the director of Admissions position at UW-Eau Claire. The session will be in the Woodland Theater of Davies Center. Mr. Brown's vita and letter of application can be [found online](#). A video recording and brief feedback survey also will be posted at the link above shortly after the presentation.

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'Lunch and Learn' May 15 to focus on ChemWatch

All faculty and staff are invited to attend a "Lunch and Learn" open forum at noon **Wednesday, May 15**, in Phillips Hall Room 401 on the new web-based safety data sheet (SDS)/chemical management system known as ChemWatch. This system will enable UW-Eau Claire to meet OSHA's chemical safety obligation of making SDSs available and accessible to all faculty, staff and students. Please join us to learn how [Risk Management and Safety](#) intends to assist departments in implementing this service.

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Proposed graduate curricular changes in College of Arts and Sciences

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Kate Hinnant, associate professor in McIntyre Library, presented "Document Design, Accessibility, and Our Students," which highlighted design principles that are supported by research in reading and cognition, at the Wisconsin Association of Academic Librarians conference April 18-19 in Eau Claire.

Dr. Ryan Weichelt, associate professor of geography and anthropology, was invited to speak at Harvard University's Center for Geographic Analysis (CGA) Conference on "The Geography of Redistricting," May 2 and 3 in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Weichelt's presentation focused on the social, political and cultural impacts of gerrymandering on Wisconsin from 2012 to the present. [Learn more.](#)

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In Memoriam

Condolences to Patti See, academic advisor in the Advising, Retention and Career Center, whose father, Joseph P. See, passed away April 27 in Chippewa Falls. [View full obituary.](#)

Campus News and Features

- [New grad living in the fast lane](#)
- [Gilman Scholarship winner to study in Cuba](#)

- [Blugolds receive record five Fulbright awards for 2019-20](#)
- [Getting paid to learn: Summer research interns tackle science of addiction](#)

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New learning and professional development page launched

Looking for professional development, wellness, EDI and other courses available to UW-Eau Claire employees? Check out the new [learning and professional development page](#) — your link to knowledge, learning and growth.

Summer learning opportunities from Human Resources

"Emotional Intelligence": Wednesday, May 15, 9 a.m.-noon, Phillips 387.

"Representing UW-Eau Claire": Wednesday, June 12, 8 a.m.-noon Phillips 387.

"Supervision at UW-Eau Claire": Wednesday, July 10, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Phillips 387.

"Performance Management at UW-Eau Claire": Wednesday, Aug. 28, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Phillips 387.

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Call for faculty/staff mentors for Blugold Beginnings learning community

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Microsoft SharePoint (Blugold Insider) interface update

As of **June 3**, all campus SharePoint users will notice a change in the look and feel of the SharePoint lists and libraries layout due to a Microsoft update. To compare the updated to the existing layout, please view our [Knowledge Base article](#). If you have questions about this change, please contact Brad Patton at pattonbw@uwec.edu.

Knowledge outcomes revised rubrics announced

The University Liberal Education Committee (ULEC) would like to thank instructors for providing feedback on K rubrics this year. [View the approved revised rubrics.](#)

McIntyre Library Community Garden launches new season

The McIntyre Library Community Garden is about to start its next season of gardening! The produce grown is donated to UW-Eau Claire's Campus Harvest Food Pantry. If you are interested in learning more or volunteering, please contact Roxanne Backowski at backowrm@uwec.edu or 715-836-3508.

Campus Harvest Food Pantry and Campus Closet: New leadership, summer hours

Dr. Demetrius Smith, program director for equity, diversity and inclusion, has assumed leadership responsibilities for UW-Eau Claire's Campus Harvest Food Pantry and Campus Closet. Julie Carr, university executive staff assistant in EDI and Student Affairs, previously led these initiatives that provide important resources to students. She will retire in June. Summer hours for the pantry and closet will be **Wednesdays from noon-5 p.m.**; however, accommodations can be made upon request. Faculty and staff questions regarding Campus Harvest or the Campus Closet can be directed to Smith at smithdem@uwec.edu or 715-836-3629.

Become an international student host friend for fall 2019

Approximately 60-80 new international students are expected to enroll for the fall 2019 semester at UW-Eau Claire. To support these students, the Center for International Education seeks additional faculty, staff and community members to serve as host friends, providing an international student with a weekend homestay when they arrive in Eau Claire and staying in touch with them throughout their time as a student. Interested individuals are encouraged to apply before the end of June. Learn more about the [Host Friend Program](#) and [how to become a host friend](#).

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McIntyre Library and the Student Office of Sustainability have launched their third annual shoe drive to collect pairs of new or used shoes for Soles4Souls, a nonprofit social enterprise that creates sustainable jobs and provides relief through the distribution of shoes and clothing around the world. Bring your new, gently worn or used shoes of any style or size to the first-floor collection bin in the library through **Friday, May 24**. [Learn more.](#)

Call for proposals: International Fellows Program 2019-20

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 7**, and to Dr. Jeff DeGrave by **Friday, June 14**. This deadline is for projects planned for Winterim or Summer 2020. [Review all program details, requirements and application materials.](#)

Reuse, recycle, RECLAIM!

Head to the [Surplus Store](#) **Wednesday, May 22, 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.

Register for summer kubb!

Faculty and staff are invited to participate in kubb games this summer from **noon-1 p.m.** on the green space behind Thomas Hall. The schedule is as follows: **Practice day (optional): May 28; game days: May 29-30, June 3-5; rain date: June 7.** [Register](#) your team of 3-6 people. Don't have a team? That's OK! CETL will find one for you. **Register by Thursday, May 23.**

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Awards and Achievements

Brett Beach, lecturer in English, had his short story, "[Bright Young Things](#)," published in Story Magazine, Issue 4, Spring 2019.

UW-Eau Claire – Barron County students **Vincent Biever, Eric Anderson** and **Jinxuan Cong**, mentored by **Dr. Wufeng Tian**, assistant professor of mathematics, received an honorable mention award at the 2019 annual Mathematical Contest in Modeling/Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling in January. The award, which placed them in the top 22% of the 14,108 participating teams from 17 countries/regions, recognized their work on the “Game of Ecology” problem. In addition, UW-Eau Claire – Barron County students **Carson Drousseau, Warren Williams** and **Junan Yue**, also mentored by Tian, earned “successful participant” honors for their work on the problem “Developing an Aerial Disaster Relief Response System for Puerto Rico.” [Learn more.](#)

Each year students and staff have the opportunity to nominate one student co-worker and one staff member for the annual University Centers Outstanding Service Award. **Tyler Edmondson**, event production coordinator in Event Services, received this year's University Centers Outstanding Staff Service Award. Edmondson, who received 17 nominations, was recognized for his outstanding service and his ability to empower students. His exceptional work and passion have inspired his entire crew. UW-Eau Claire student **Michael St. Ores**, operations manager for the Event Production Crew, received this year's Outstanding Student Service Award for his efficiency, organization and professionalism. With maturity beyond his years, St. Ores led the entire EPC crew during the Saturday night Viennese Ball with confidence and flair, impressing co-workers and guests alike.

Khong Meng Her, associate services coordinator in Blugold Beginnings and a two-time UW-Eau Claire alumnus, will receive the AmeriCorps Alumni of the Year Award from Gov. Tony Evers June 6 in Madison. [Learn more.](#)

Kate Hinnant and **Robin Miller**, both associate professors in McIntyre Library, presented "Research Meditations: A Low Stakes Entrée into 'Research as Inquiry'" at LOEX 2019 May 11 in Minneapolis.

Patti See, academic advisor in the Advising, Retention and Career Center/senior lecturer in women's gender and sexuality studies; **Katie Venit**, instructional designer in the College of Business; **Allyson Loomis**, associate professor of English; and **Yia Lor**, academic advisor in the Advising, Retention and Career Center, read their original work during a presentation titled "If Mama Ain't Happy, Ain't Nobody Happy" May 13 at the Pablo Center in Eau Claire. The presentation was part of the "Sound and Stories" series sponsored by the UW-Eau Claire Foundation, Chippewa Valley Writers Guild and Pablo Center.

Dr. Asha Sen, professor of English, presented an invited lecture titled "Achieving Justice through Spiritual Activism" May 6 at the Riawunna Center at the University of Tasmania. Sen also presented "Beyond the Hijab" at the British Commonwealth and Postcolonial Studies Conference Feb. 16-17 in Savannah, Georgia.

Dr. Barbara Young, senior lecturer emerita of music, will be a collaborative pianist at the International Tuba-Euphonium Conference May 27-June 1 at the University of Iowa. In addition to performing with competitors in two international competitions, she will perform with artists from France, Great Britain and the U.S., including performing the world-premiere of a work with Philadelphia Orchestra tubist Carol Jantsch.

Dr. Jerry Young, professor emeritus of music, will chair the International Young Artist Euphonium Solo Competition at the International Tuba-Euphonium Conference May 27-June 1 at the University of Iowa. He also will co-present a session with Scott Watson, professor of tuba/euphonium at the University of Kansas, on ameliorating the effects of aging on low-brass performance.

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Campus News and Features

- [UW-Eau Claire – Barron County to hold commencement ceremony tonight](#)
- [More than 1,400 Blugolds to graduate May 25](#)
- [Math major receives prestigious Goldwater Scholarship](#)
- [Two-time alumnus to earn prestigious AmeriCorps award](#)

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Professional Development

EDI summer professional development opportunities

This summer, EDI professional development opportunities include in-person training sessions

and workshops on specialized topics, such as inclusive pedagogy, implicit and unconscious bias, racism and institutional racism, gender and sexual orientation. Visit the [Tier 2 EDI programming registration site](#) to sign up for sessions and workshops that interest you.

New learning and professional development page launched

Looking for professional development, wellness, EDI and other courses available to UW-Eau Claire employees? Check out the new [learning and professional development page](#) — your link to knowledge, learning and growth.

Summer learning opportunities from Human Resources

- "Representing UW-Eau Claire": **Wednesday, June 12, 8 a.m.-noon**, Phillips 387.
- "Supervision at UW-Eau Claire": **Wednesday, July 10, 12:30-4:30 p.m.**, Phillips 387.
- "Performance Management at UW-Eau Claire": **Wednesday, Aug. 28, 12:30-4:30 p.m.**, Phillips 387.
- "Progress Reports Made Simple": **Wednesday, May 22, 9-11 a.m.**, Centennial 3914; and **Wednesday, Aug. 14, 1-3 p.m.**, Phillips 387.

[Register online](#) by following the appropriate links and [learn more](#).

Software training workshops offered

LTS Training is offering free software workshops this semester for PowerPoint posters (CERCA-sized posters), infographics, Sway, Qualtrics, Illustrator, InDesign and Photoshop. To see dates, times and registration links, please visit the [training registration site](#). Looking for other university-supported software training options? Contact LTS Training (VLL 1132) at training@uwec.edu or 715-836-5157.

Purchasing training offered tomorrow

Interested in learning campus procedures for purchasing common items like office supplies, batteries, furniture, software and computers? Sign up for a purchasing training session to learn about contract and non-contract purchasing, methods of payment, e-forms, websites with helpful information and expected time frames. All sessions will be held in Room 1128 of Vicki Lord Larson Hall (formerly Old Library). Click on the following link to register: [Wednesday, May 22](#), 10-11:30 a.m.

Save the date: University Staff Professional Development Day

The 2019 University Staff Professional Development Day is set for **Thursday, June 6**, on the third floor of Davies Center. This year's theme, "EAU, Imagine Your 2020 Vision," brings humor and good health to mind as we focus on organizing our thoughts around the continuous changes on campus and how they impact our future. All are welcome to attend! [Learn more](#).

Schedule a consultation with CETL this summer

CETL staff are available throughout the summer for individual consultations relating to curricular changes, student engagement, student evaluations or any of your teaching needs. Email CETL@uwec.edu to schedule a consultation.

Supervisory Management Certificate Program available to employees

Have you been a supervisor at the university for more than a year? Have you completed Blugold Excellence in Supervision and aim to further your skills and abilities in supervision or management? UW-Eau Claire and UW-Eau Claire – Barron County employees may now attend Continuing Education's [Supervisory Management Certificate Program](#) at no cost to them or their department. For more information, please contact Scott Janke in Continuing Education at janke@uwec.edu or 715-836-5179, or Karen Callaway in Human Resources at callawakl@uwec.edu or 715-836-4202.

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Meeting Notices

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