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Blugold Breakfast video, chancellor’s speech available online
On Aug. 27, faculty and staff launched the 2019-20 academic year with the annual opening meeting and Blugold Breakfast. The event included messages from our UW System Board of Regents “buddy,” Cris Peterson, and UW-Eau Claire’s shared governance leaders, as well as Chancellor James Schmidt’s academic year opening address. Eight faculty and staff also were honored as recipients of the 2019 Excellence Awards. Those unable to attend or who wish review the event can view the video and read the chancellor’s speech online.

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Dr. Dorothy Ka-Ying Chan, assistant professor of English, has had her third full-length poetry collection, "Chinese Girl Strikes Back," accepted for publication by Spork Press in 2020. Chan also received the 2019 Philip Freund Prize in Creative Writing for excellence in publication from her alma mater, Cornell University. Chan's group panel proposal, titled "Poetics of Gender and Labor," (creative writing) has been accepted for the 2019 C.D. Wright Women Writer's Conference and will be presented Nov. 9. Chan will read with poets Taneum Bambrick, Jos Charles, Jenny Molberg and Claire Meuschke. Her poem, titled "Triple Sonnet for Sad Asian Girls," was published by The American Poetry Review, Vol. 48, No. 4, July/August 2019. Additionally, her poem "So Chinese Girl" was published by Poets.org in July.

Dr. Gerardo Licon, assistant professor of history and Latin American studies, recently was recognized in Madison365's "Sí Se Puede 2019: Wisconsin's Most Powerful Latinos" list for 2019. Learn more.

Cedar Marie, assistant professor of art & design, had her review titled "Hearts of Our People: Native Women Artists" published by First American Art Magazine on Aug. 13.


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In the News

Quincy Chapman, director of Housing and Residence Life, was interviewed for the Aug. 27 WQOW-TV story "Suite-style dorms almost complete at UW-Eau Claire."

Mike Rindo, assistant chancellor for facilities and university relations, and UW-Eau Claire student Jacob Erickson were interviewed for the Aug. 22 WEAU-TV story "UW-Eau Claire is wrapping up campus projects as fall semester approaches."

Chancellor James Schmidt's Blugold Breakfast presentation was featured in the Aug. 27 Leader-Telegram article "UWEC chancellor outlines short- and long-term plans."
Dan Schumacher, director of athletics, and Mike Rindo, assistant chancellor for facilities and university relations, were interviewed for the Aug. 28 Leader-Telegram article "Construction to begin next week on UW-EC's Simpson Field."

UW-Eau Claire's Blugold Beginnings and ECLIPSE programs were among Americorps grant recipients featured in the Aug. 29 WQOW-TV story "Local AmeriCorp projects receiving $605,000 in funding" and the Aug. 29 WEAU-TV story "Eau Claire County AmeriCorps programs receive funding."

Sean Hartnett, professor of geography, is mentioned in the Sept. 1 HeadTopics.com article, "What You Need to Know About the 2020 Olympic Marathon Trials."

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**Campus News and Features**

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- Leader of support for student-faculty research to retire in January
- UW-Eau Claire awards 695 scholarships to incoming freshmen
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Canvas drop-in lab and help sessions
Canvas has replaced D2L as UW-Eau Claire's learning management system. D2L has been deactivated and is available only for accessing past course content. Drop-in Canvas help (no appointment required) is offered in CETL's open lab (Vicki Lord Larson Hall 1142) every day this week. Sessions requiring registration will be offered today. View schedule, register for sessions and learn more about Canvas.

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**Love to sing? Join the Symphonic Choir**
Faculty, staff and community members are invited to join UW-Eau Claire's Symphonic Choir. Rehearsals are from 5-7:30 p.m. *Tuesdays in HFA 143.* The first rehearsal is *today, Tuesday, Sept. 10,* and auditions are not required. Questions? Contact Dr. Frank Watkins at watkinfa@uwec.edu or 715-836-2329. [Learn more.]

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**Catalog website refreshed**
To make UW-Eau Claire's course catalog more user friendly, the [catalog website](#) recently has been refreshed. If you experience problems when viewing catalog pages or content, please hit CTRL and F5 in Windows — or Apple + R on a Mac — to refresh your page.

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Proposed curricular changes in College of Arts and Sciences

- View proposed curricular changes.

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**Chancellor James Schmidt** wrote an opinion piece titled "It Seems to Me: A welcome change in the seasons," which was published in the Sept. 7 Leader-Telegram.

**Patti See**, academic advisor in the Advising, Retention and Career Center/senior lecturer in women’s gender and sexuality studies, had her article, titled “Everything must go,” published in the Sept. 6 Leader-Telegram.

**Dr. Laura Suppes**, associate professor in the Watershed Institute for Collaborative Environmental Studies, co-authored a paper, titled "Assessing the Impact of Cyanuric Acid on Bather’s Risk of Gastrointestinal Illness at Swimming Pools," which was published in the June issue of *Water*. 
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In Memoriam

Condolences to the family and friends of Erwin Steiner. Steiner, associate professor emeritus of management and marketing, passed away Sept. 2 in Eau Claire. He was a member of the UW-Eau Claire faculty from 1972-2003. View full obituary.

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Nicole Rindone, coordinator of student activities in the Activities, Involvement and Leadership office, was interviewed for the Sept. 6 WQOW-TV story "College students connect with the downtown Eau Claire community."

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Professional Development

Upcoming ORSP Faculty/Academic Staff Forum presentations

- **Dr. Michael Carney**, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, will present "**Got a Health Care-Related Research Idea? Ever Considered a UW-Eau Claire/Mayo Research Collaboration?**" on **Wednesday, Sept. 11**, and **Kristen Benedini**, assistant professor of criminal justice, will present “**From Child Maltreatment to Adolescent Substance Use: Different Pathways for Males and Females**” on **Wednesday, Sept. 18**. Both events will be held from **12:10-12:50 p.m.** in CETL (VLL 1142) as part of the **Faculty/Academic Staff Forum fall 2019 series** presented by the **Office of Research and Sponsored Programs**.

Funding available for WWHEL leadership conference

The annual Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership (WWHEL) fall conference, "Centered Leadership," will be held **Oct. 9-10** at Mid-State Technical College in Wisconsin Rapids. Support is available for 20 UW-Eau Claire faculty or staff to attend at no cost. If you are interested, please contact Faith Pawelski, WWHEL institutional representative, at **pawelsfa@uwec.edu** by **Friday, Sept. 20**.

'Backstage' tour set for Sept. 19

All educators on campus are invited to participate in a “backstage” walking tour of offices that support teaching and learning. The tour will begin at **3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19**, in Centennial 2104, and end at approximately **4:10 p.m. in CETL (VLL 1142)** with refreshments and social time.

**CETL fall 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: **Faculty Fridays Open Write: Weekly open writing sessions**, Fridays through Dec. 13, 9-11 a.m.; **CETL Reading Group Series: Stereotype Threat and Implications for the Classroom**, Oct. 1, 15 and 29, noon-12:50 p.m.; and
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- The Benefits and Resource Fair for university employees will be from **10 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 30**, in the Ojibwe Ballroom of Davies Center.
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Federal policy update
Last week, Chancellor James Schmidt joined other UW System chancellors and UW System President Ray Cross in providing feedback to Wisconsin’s Congressional delegation on the impact of federal policies on international students. View letter.

Event space rental options for UW-Eau Claire
- Colleges and departments have the option to use event space on campus at the W.R. Davies Student Center. Please contact Chris Henricks, Event Services, at henricca@uwec.edu or 715-836-2033 for more information. See Davies Center pricing for FY19-20.
Colleges and departments also have the option to rent off-campus event space, which now includes the use of the Pablo Center. Contact Carole Fleetwood, special event manager, at carole@pablocenter.org or 715-471-7123 for more information about the Pablo Center. Note that approval from the Controller’s Office, by means of the Off-Campus Events Request eForm, will be required prior to finalizing any arrangements with Pablo Center or any other off-site reservation. Off-campus event reservations do not qualify for "university days available for general use" at Pablo Center and therefore will result in an invoice to the organizing college/department. See UWEC at Pablo Pricing 2018-19.

Plan to attend Smart Cities-Smart Futures on-campus visit
Representatives from Foxconn will be on campus Monday, Sept. 23, to engage students, faculty and staff with information about the first round of this year’s Smart Cities-Smart Futures competition. The official first-round submission window opened Sept. 9 and runs through Oct. 20. Learn more.

WisPolitics luncheon set for Sept. 26
WisPolitics.com will host a free luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, at the Holiday Inn South in Eau Claire. The event will focus on expanding rural broadband networks to allow for innovation in rural health care practices. Dr. Pam Guthman, clinical assistant professor of nursing at UW-Eau Claire, is a featured panelist, and she will be joined by experts from Mayo Clinic Health System and WIN Technologies as well as Representative Romaine Quinn, chair of the State Assembly’s Committee on Science and Technology. There is no cost to attend, but preregistration is required. Learn more and register.

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Dr. Jennifer Johs-Artisensi, professor of management and marketing, received the 2019 College of Business Creativity and Innovation Award, which recognizes an individual who develops new or improved processes that allow the college to operate more effectively and/or better serve its students and other stakeholders. Learn more.

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**Dr. Dorothy Ka-Ying Chan**, assistant professor of English, had her poem titled "Ode to Andrew McCarthy and Your Hand on My Thigh" published in *The Tampa Review*, issue 57/58, July/August 2019.

**Dr. Kristy Lauver**, professor and chair of the management and marketing department, received the 2019 College of Business Culture of Caring Award, which recognizes an individual who consistently demonstrates outstanding personal and professional service to COB employees, students and/or their parents. [Learn more.](#)

**Julia Lehman Caldwell**, lead instructional designer in the College of Business, received the 2019 College of Business Coaching Award, which recognizes an individual who improves the performance of students, faculty and staff through effective guidance, advising or mentoring. [Learn more.](#)

**Karen Loeb**, professor emerita of English and the city of Eau Claire's current writer-in-residence, will host a one-evening writing workshop, titled "Discovering Stories," from **6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8**, at the L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library in Eau Claire. The free workshop is for writers of all levels interested in fiction, nonfiction and poetry. [Register online.](#)

**Sherrie Miles**, academic department associate in biology, earned a certificate in project management on March 20 from the International Association of Administrative Professionals.

**Dr. Tarique Niazi**, professor of sociology, recently had his review of the book "*The First Marx: A Philosophical Introduction*" by Douglas Burnham and Peter Lamb, published in the London School of Economics Review of Books.

**Dr. Lisa Quinn-Lee**, associate professor of social work, and **Dr. Donald Mowry**, professor emeritus of social work, co-authored an article, "*Effects of Personalized Music on Caregivers of Older Adults Living with Dementia in the Community*," which was published in the July issue of the *Wisconsin Medical Journal*, Vol. 18, No. 2, pages 80-83.

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What's in a name? Dr. Vicki Lord Larson: administrator, scholar, collector

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Blugold FYI: Sept. 24, 2019

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- Have content for an upcoming edition? Send it via the Blugold FYI submission form.
- Interested in the latest UW-Eau Claire news stories? Check them out here.

Important announcements

Chancellor ‘Investing for Our Future’ follow-up, call for nominations
In his newest blog post, Chancellor James Schmidt provides an overview of his proposal —
presented in campus forums on Sept. 19 and 20 — to invest in faculty and staff to position UW-Eau Claire for future success. (If you missed the forums, a video recording of the Sept. 20 forum is available.) The chancellor’s blog post also invites faculty, staff and students to consider serving on a new Transfer Student Experience Task Force.

Campus parking during Thursday (Sept. 26) Career Conference
The 2019 Fall Career Conference is Thursday, Sept. 26, bringing a record number of employers to campus to recruit talented Blugold students for internships and professional jobs. These guests of the university will arrive between 7 and 9:30 a.m. and have been invited to park in the HSS and Haas lots. Learn more about helping to alleviate parking challenges for UW-Eau Claire's employer-partners.

Benefits and Resource Fair is Sept. 30; benefits enrollment runs through Oct. 25
The annual benefits enrollment period, which runs Sept. 30 through Oct. 25, allows eligible university employees to enroll in or make changes to select benefit plans for the upcoming year (see the ABE website for 2020 benefits changes).

- The Benefits and Resource Fair for university employees will be from 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 30, in the Ojibwe Ballroom of Davies Center.
- Limited appointments for free flu shots through the Well Wisconsin Program are still available during the fair (learn more).
- Human resources staff will offer open enrollment assistance during several upcoming information sessions and open computer labs (learn more).

HLC site visit set for Oct. 21-22
A team of seven Higher Learning Commission (HLC) members will visit UW-Eau Claire Oct. 21 and 22 as part of our 10-year HLC Reaffirmation of Accreditation. Everyone on campus should plan to participate by attending the meeting most relevant to their position. Visit the HLC Reaffirmation Visit site to read the Assurance Argument that explains how we meet the criteria for accreditation; and see a draft schedule for site visit meetings, a list of the criteria for accreditation and summaries of the types of questions the team may ask. Watch future Blugold FYI's and your email for updates.

TTC information session, town hall meetings announced
To learn about the Total and Title Compensation (TTC) project, join Human Resources staff members at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, in Phillips 117. The UW System also will host several TTC online virtual town hall meetings. To join one of the meetings, scheduled for Friday, Sept. 27, from 3-4 p.m.; Thursday, Oct. 24, from 8-9 a.m.; and Friday, Nov. 15, from noon-1 p.m., click the virtual town hall meeting link on the TTC Project website. The meetings will provide updates on the work done to modernize job titles and compensation structures; upcoming meetings between employees and managers to discuss changes in job titles and job descriptions; and results of the employee benefits surveys. You may submit questions in advance at TTC@uwsa.edu to be answered during the town hall meetings.
Call for proposals: International Fellows Program 2020-21
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. Submit proposals to chairs/directors by Thursday, Oct. 24. This deadline is meant to target projects planned for summer 2020 or Winterim 2021. Review all program details, requirements and application materials.

Submissions invited for 2019 Smart Cities-Smart Futures competition
Students, faculty and staff are invited to submit their ideas for building smarter living and working spaces across Wisconsin to Foxconn’s 2019 Smart Cities-Smart Futures competition. The first-round submission period is underway and runs through Oct. 20. Get details on the Smart Cities-Smart Futures website.

New York Times online access now available to faculty, staff, students
McIntyre Library and UW-Eau Claire – Barron County Library now provide access to NYTimes.com to all UW-Eau Claire and UW-Eau Claire – Barron County faculty, staff and students through an academic group pass. Individual registration is required. Questions? Email library@uwec.edu. Learn more and register.

Study Abroad Fair set for Oct. 3
Encourage your students to attend the annual Study Abroad Fair from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, in the Ojibwe Ballroom of Davies Center. Returnees, visiting partners, faculty and staff will be on hand to promote their programs and answer questions. New this year: Take a walk through some host cities with virtual reality! Faculty and staff also are encouraged to attend the fair. For more information, call the Center for International Education at 715-836-4411.

Sustainable Printing Project update
The team leading UW-Eau Claire’s Sustainable Printing Project recently sent a campuswide email with more information about the project timeline, employee Blugold ID card updates and more. An updated list of frequently asked questions is also now available. Read the project update and review the FAQs on the Sustainable Printing Project SharePoint site.

WisPolitics luncheon set for Sept. 26
WisPolitics.com will host a free luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, at the Holiday Inn South in Eau Claire. The event will focus on expanding rural broadband networks to allow for innovation in rural health care practices. Dr. Pam Guthman, clinical assistant professor of nursing at UW-Eau Claire, is a featured panelist, and she will be joined by experts from Mayo Clinic Health System and WIN Technologies as well as Representative Romaine Quinn, chair of the State Assembly's Committee on Science and Technology. There is no cost to attend, but preregistration is required. Learn more and register.

Faculty/staff invited to 'Donuts & Dialogue'
This week, Sept. 23-27, is National Hazing Prevention Week, dedicated to UW-Eau Claire's zero
tolerance policy for hazing. Faculty and staff are encouraged to engage with and learn from students involved in Greek organizations on campus during "Donuts & Dialogue," from 9-11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, in the Maple Lounge (Room 103) of Davies Center. [Learn more.]

Interested in teaching abroad?
The [Center for International Education](#) is currently accepting applications for faculty and academic staff to teach abroad during the following terms: Harlaxton, England: summer 2021, fall 2021, spring 2022; Changshu Institute of Technology, China: summer 2020; Huaqiu University, China: summer 2020; Kansai Gaidai, Japan: fall 2021, spring 2022; and University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC): summer 2021, fall 2021, spring 2022. [Learn more online](#) or by calling the Center for International Education at 715-836-4411.

**Call for nominations: Regents Teaching Excellence Awards**
Nominations are open for two teaching excellence awards from the UW System Board of Regents that honor both individuals and departments. Nominate yourself, a colleague or your department by Monday, Sept. 30.

**Reuse, recycle, RECLAIM!**
Head to the [Surplus Store](#) Wednesday, Sept. 25, 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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**Awards and achievements**

**Appreciate a fellow Blugold? Let them know!**
Feeling especially thankful for another Blugold? Maybe a colleague who made your day, a student employee who went that extra mile or a supervisor who’s been extra supportive? Everyone loves to know they’re appreciated, and you can now send a note via [Thank a Blugold](#). University staff members who are recognized through Thank a Blugold will be entered into a monthly prize drawing. Congratulations to the [recent winners](#)!

**Dr. Julie Anderson**, associate professor of biology, and Dr. Donn Dexter, Mayo Clinic Health System, Eau Claire, presented "Introducing the Mayo Clinic Education Collaboration Model to Eau Claire, Wisconsin" at the 25th Annual Mayo Clinic-Karolinska Institutet Scientific Meeting, held Sept. 22-23 in Stockholm, Sweden.

Two faculty of the Blugold Supercomputing Cluster Consortium have received new funding from the National Science Foundation. **Dr. Sudeep Bhattacharyya**, associate professor of
chemistry, and Dr. Ying Ma, associate professor of materials science and engineering, have been awarded a $350,000 grant, titled "MRI: Acquisition of a High Performance Computing Cluster to Enhance the Undergraduate Discovery Experience." Learn more.

Dr. Richard Boyum (emeritus), Counseling Services, gave a presentation titled "Coping Strategies for More Effective Stress Management" Sept. 19 at the Veterans Restoration Center in Asheville, North Carolina.

Dr. Paul J. Hoff, professor of Spanish and language education in the department of languages, is a contributing writer to the annotated teacher’s editions of the following textbooks: ¡Qué chévere! 1, ¡Qué chévere! 2 and ¡Qué chévere! 3, second edition. The textbooks were published by Carnegie Learning, EMC World Languages, Pittsburgh, 2020.

Dr. Maureen Mack, professor emerita of education studies, recently had her first novel, "Wild Dreams," published by Orange Hat Publishing. A book launch event is planned for Sept. 30 at Visit Eau Claire's Experience Center at the Pablo Center.


UW-Eau Claire students Samuel Schneider, Joseph Beck, Madeline Fuerstenberg and Chloe Kofman presented a paper titled "Subsurface imaging of Bilioniai Hillfort, Lithuania" at the 130th Annual Meeting of the Geological Society of America Nov. 4-7, 2018, in Indianapolis. (Abstracts with Program, Vol. 50, No. 6, doi: 10.1130/abs/2018AM-324504.) The students were mentored by co-authors Dr. Harry Jol, professor of geography and anthropology, Gintautas Zabiela (Institute of Baltic Region History and Archaeology, Klaipėda University) and Mantas Daubaras (Lithuania Institute of History).

Patti See, academic advisor in the Advising, Retention and Career Center/senior lecturer in women’s gender and sexuality studies, and Bruce Taylor, professor emeritus of English, will co-teach a six-session memoir writing workshop from 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays, beginning Sept. 28, at the Heyde Center in Chippewa Falls, for anyone interested in writing — even beginners. The instructors will provide encouragement, guidance and practice in "life writing" in the following genres: autobiographies, blogs, family histories, journals, memoirs and personal essays. All supplies will be provided. A few spots are still available. Learn more and register.

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Learn how to incorporate streaming video into your courses
Faculty and instructional staff are invited to come and learn about new streaming services from McIntyre Library, how to find and identify video content and the best methods for integrating videos into Canvas. Sessions will be led by Roxanne Backowski, electronic resources librarian, and April Pierson, e-learning consultant. Following are the workshop dates and times: Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2 p.m.-3 p.m.; Monday, Oct. 14, 3-4 p.m.; and Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2-3 p.m. All sessions will be held in McIntyre Library 1033, the library instructional lab. Please register for the date you plan to attend.

Stipends available for online course development/redesign
Teaching online? Apply for an online course development or redesign stipend. For more information and a link to apply, see the CETL online course development webpage or contact April Pierson at piersoa@uwec.edu. Please submit applications by Monday, Oct. 7.

Invitation to join the Administrative Support Collaboration Group
Administrative professionals on campus (academic department associates, assistants, associates, coordinators, office managers and specialists) are invited to join the Administrative Support Collaboration Group. This group was created to increase communication and share information; discuss policies, procedures, ideas and changes; and share tips and tricks that relate to our positions. Meetings are scheduled to occur quarterly during FY 19-20. To join the distribution list, please contact Kelly Austin at austinke@uwec.edu. We are excited to introduce our new mentorship program at our next meeting on Oct. 10!

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