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*This twice-weekly newsletter contains important information about UW-Eau Claire's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and offers Blugolds details on how to access key resources and assist others on our campuses and in our communities.*

## **Hundreds of Blugolds find support from relief fund**

The UW-Eau Claire Foundation already has distributed emergency funds to more than 320 current students who need help paying for things like rent, groceries and internet access during the COVID-19 crisis. [Read how the Foundation's emergency fund](#), which in many cases involves Blugolds supporting Blugolds, is helping students during this pandemic.

## **Heritage month celebration moves online**

Due to the pandemic, the annual Asian Pacific Islander American Heritage Month celebration will be taking place online in May. The celebrations begin Friday evening with a kickoff event at 5 p.m. in a Bluejeans virtual meeting. The Office of Multicultural Affairs team, including director Dang Yang and associate director Charles Vue, will lead the celebration. [Read more about the monthlong virtual celebration](#) on the university website.

## **UWEC CARES fund applications available**

Students at all three UW-Eau Claire campuses (Eau Claire, Rice Lake and Marshfield) are strongly encouraged to take advantage of more than \$3.5 million in federal emergency funds to assist with expenses directly related to the pandemic. Even if you have previously received an Emergency Assistance grant, you are encouraged to submit another request. [Visit our webpage devoted to this fund](#) and find a link to the application.

## **COVID-19 resources online**

If you want up-to-date information on COVID-19 and UW-Eau Claire's response to the pandemic, visit the university's [COVID-19 Updates webpage](#), where you can find past editions of this newsletter, video messages from Chancellor Schmidt and important emails that have been shared with campus in the past month.

### **Vital Statistics**

(as of noon Thursday, April 30)

#### **Confirmed Cases of COVID-19**

**Worldwide:** 3,253,612

**United States:** 1,068,689

**Wisconsin:** 6,520

**Eau Claire County:** 27

**Barron County:** 6

**Wood County:** 2