COVID-19 Update: May 12, 2020

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.

Series of Hmong-language videos offer COVID-19 basics

UW-Eau Claire collaborated with the Eau Claire Area School District and the Eau Claire City-County Health Department to create a series of Hmong-language videos to offer key information about the COVID-19 pandemic. The videos can be found on YouTube and the health department’s Facebook page.

Gov. Evers’ order opens select businesses across the state

On Monday, Gov. Evers announced all stand-alone or strip-mall-based retail stores can open for business with a limit of up to five customers in the business at one time. Customers must maintain safe social distancing within the businesses, which must follow all safety precautions outlined in the governor’s original Safer at Home declaration. The governor’s emergency order can be found here.

Summer campus events canceled due to pandemic

The popular Summer Cinema and Sunset Sounds events that were scheduled to take place at UW-Eau Claire in the coming months have been canceled due to the ongoing challenges presented by COVID-19. The annual Chalkfest event, which brings thousands to campus each summer, also has been canceled. Check the university master
calendar to see if upcoming events are taking place or being switched to a virtual format.

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 Tuesday, May 12)
Confirmed Cases of COVID-19
Worldwide: 4,307,181
United States: 1,392,976
Wisconsin: 10,418
Eau Claire County: 60
Barron County: 11
Wood County: 4