

**COVID-19 Update: May 19, 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.*

### **Eau Claire City-County Health Department issues order for county**

Following the Wisconsin State Supreme Court’s decision to invalidate the extension of Gov. Evers’ “Safer-at-Home” order, the Eau Claire City-County Health Department issued a COVID-19 Prevention and Control Order for Eau Claire County. The order, which was updated Monday with additional details and guidance, is in place through May 28. [The order can be found here.](#)

### **Facilities team prioritizes key functions during pandemic**

The UW-Eau Claire Facilities team wants to remind Blugolds that services and response times will be impacted by reduced staffing levels. Summer is the busiest time of the year for the Facilities staff, which focuses on classrooms and areas that are occupied during a typical semester. A total of 94 Facilities employees are taking consecutive weeks of furlough in the coming months to help the university trim expenses, not due to a lack of work. Staff and visitors are asked to be patient as the team strives to deliver excellent service with fewer employees. All Facilities work or supply requests can be [submitted online through the iServiceDesk.](#)

### **McIntyre Library extends due dates on materials until Sept. 15**

McIntyre Library has extended the due dates of all items checked out this academic year until **Sept. 15, 2020**. Faculty, staff and students can [learn more about the extended due dates](#) and how to return materials.

## **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.

## **Vital Statistics**

(as of noon Tuesday, May 19)

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

**Worldwide:** 4,942,974

**United States:** 1,557,770

**Wisconsin:** 12,687

**Eau Claire County:** 76

**Barron County:** 11

**Wood County:** 7