Our Mission: To provide consistent guidance, support, and focused opportunities for prospective, current, and post-baccalaureate students interested in a health professional career.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** DUE TO COVID-19, THE HEALTH CAREERS CENTER, IN SCHOFIELD 30, IS NOT ACCEPTING WALK-INS OR PROVIDING IN-PERSON ADVISING AT THIS TIME. LINKS TO VIRTUAL ADVISING APPOINTMENTS ARE INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER. IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE, PLEASE EMAIL HCC@UWEC.EDU.

**Graduate and Professional School Information**

**COMMUNITY HEALTH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (CHIP)**

**Summer Opportunities for Community Health Internships**

Wisconsin AHEC’s CHIP enables college students who have an interest in community health, public health, and population health to work full time (40 hours per week) with local health departments, tribal health centers, community health centers and community service organizations throughout Wisconsin for an eight-week summer internship.
2021 CHIP DATES: MONDAY, JUNE 7 – FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2021

Interns receive a stipend of $2,400 (subject to income tax) for their full-time commitment throughout the 8-week program.

Apply here! https://ahec.wisc.edu/chip/

THE DEADLINE FOR STUDENT APPLICATIONS IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021 AT 11:59PM.

UW PHARM-D PROGRAM

REMINDER: Our School of Pharmacy PharmD application deadline for Fall 2021 admission is February 1, 2021. Click here to start/complete your application.

PHARMACY CAREER EXPLORATION DAY - FEBRUARY 27, 2021

This event is a great opportunity for you to learn about the variety of exciting career paths available to PharmD graduates. In addition, attendees will:

- Get their pharmacy career-related questions answered by practicing pharmacists during our Pharmacist Panel
- Learn what pharmacy school is really like during breakout sessions with current PharmD students
- Find out how UW-Madison’s PharmD experiential learning opportunities prepare students for their desired career
- Event Time: 9:30AM - 12:00PM CST

Register for Career Exploration Day Here

SPRING OPEN HOUSES - MARCH 13, OR APRIL 10, 2021

The School of Pharmacy is offering two open houses this semester. The content covered is the same, so choose one that works best for your calendar. These events are designed for anyone interested in exploring the Doctor of Pharmacy program at UW–Madison. The topics to be covered include:

- How the UW-Madison PharmD curriculum prepares students for career success, particularly through experiential learning and specialization
- Admissions Overview - Learn about the PharmD admissions process, application timeline, prerequisites, and the selection criteria. Our Admissions Team and Director of Pre-Pharmacy Advising are excited to meet you and answer your questions!
- Student Panel - Our current PharmD students will share what it is like to be a UW-Madison pharmacy student, and will answer questions during a Q&A
• Event Time: 9:30AM - 11:45AM CST

Register for an Open House Event here

More Info here

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO OPPORTUNITY

The class will be held March 20-27, just outside San Luis Obispo, California. To deal with COVID we will be camping and holding classes outdoors. What better classroom than a Pacific beach! New in 2021, knowing the hurt so many students and family are in, we have moved some lectures on-line, lowering the cost. More about our spring break 2021 class can be found at https://www.coloradowm.org/courses/pre-med/pre-med-california/

And for students who cannot make the spring break class, we will be offering similar classes in Ithaca (NY), Colorado, and Costa Rica later in the year. We also offer shorter, 100% on-line virtual shadowing and Basic Wilderness First Aid classes. These can be done any time, from any location, and are priced under $100. More about these rich and diverse learning opportunities can be found at https://www.coloradowm.org/product-category/pre-med/.

SUMMER HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION PROGRAM (SHPEP)

Western University of Health Sciences is honored to host The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP) again this year. WesternU SHPEP provides 4 different program tracks: Medicine, Dentistry, Physical Therapy, and Optometry. SHPEP is a highly acclaimed pre-health preparatory program hosted at 12 different universities across the country each summer. SHPEP’s goal is to increase diversity among the health professions to better mirror the patient population. SHPEP is a 6-week virtual program at no cost to the students. In addition to a stipend, SHPEP Scholars will receive up to $600 food stipend, and all program materials, including a white coat. The program will run from June 21, 2021 through July 30, 2021. Deadline to apply is February 5, 2021.

Click here to apply: https://www.westernu.edu/shpep/

HEALTH PROFESSIONS COVID-19 RELATED LINKS AND INFORMATION FROM NAAHP

The National Association of Advisors for the Health Professionals has created a Health Professions COVID-19 Related Links and Information guide of resources for students listed by health profession.

NEW UPDATED LINK! Click Here to check it out!
Scholarships

UW SYSTEM COVID-19 STUDENT NURSING TUITION CREDIT

Qualified students who are enrolled in the spring semester at a UW System school like UW-Eau Claire must work a total of 50 hours in a clinical setting such as a hospital, nursing home, long-term care facility or state or local health care facility between Dec. 1, 2020 and Feb. 1, 2021, to be eligible for the tuition credit.

After working the required hours, students must obtain a verification letter from their employer and submit it to their campus Bursar’s office by March 31, 2021.

Attached is additional information including a template for employer letters verifying employment.


GOLD FOR BLUGOLDS!

Health Careers Center scholarships are available now! Go to Gold for Blugolds and click on Scholarship search, read and follow the instructions on how to search and apply for various scholarships. Scholarships available through the Health Careers Center are due on 3/16/2021.

Volunteering & Job Opportunities

OPPORTUNITIES AT MAYO CLINIC HEALTH SYSTEM!

There are opportunities at Mayo Rochester: Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Link Summer Lab Science Program Link Additional Mayo Clinic Internship & Summer Opportunities Link

A REMARKABLE PATIENT CARE EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY FOR UW EAU CLAIRE PRE-HEALTH STUDENTS

The Department of Ophthalmology at Marshfield Clinic-Eau Claire Center is offering great opportunities for the future medical doctors, optometrists, and other healthcare providers at UW Eau Claire to gain first-hand patient care experience as a part-time hourly-paid ophthalmic assistant. In this position, you will take the medical history, perform the initial eye exam, and help the ophthalmologists to care for the patients. In order to fit your school schedule, your working hours will be flexible. During the course, you will gain not only patient care experience, but also remarkable
knowledge on eye conditions, and you can even obtain the certificate of ophthalmic assistant/technician. Currently there are two UWEC students in this special program, Maddy, pre-optometry, and Adam, premed. They both have been greatly enjoying the experience.

Maddy: “This job has provided me with wonderful experiences in healthcare that I would not be able to obtain as an undergraduate student anywhere else.”

Adam: “This experience has taught me a lot: not only about eyes, but also about how I need to think as a doctor. Dr. Chen and the other techs are all great teachers and always willing to help out.”

To apply, please email the following documents to the manager Ms. Brandi Brzezinski at brzezinski.brandi@marshfieldclinic.org

1. Cover letter
2. Resume
3. Transcript
4. Academic course schedule

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES?

We have a webpage full of opportunities!! Check out our HCC volunteering page HERE!

Clubs and Organizations

PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CLUB

PPHC dates for Spring semester: February 10, 24, March 10, 24, April 7, 21, and May 5. New meeting location: Centennial 1804. Limited availability for in person meeting access, meetings will be held virtually also. Click here to register!

This and That

HEALTH CAREERS CENTER LENDING LIBRARY IS AVAILABLE

If you are looking for study materials, or resource material, you are welcome to check out our books! Whether you are taking the DAT, MCAT, OAT, PCAT or GRE, we have a free lending library available to Pre-Health Students, you do not even need a library card! Our library also includes general reference, application, and study guides. We just ask that you sign out the book you want and return it when finished. You can use the books as long as you need!
Due to COVID, we have revised our check out procedure. Please email HCC@uwec.edu to reserve your book, the book will be prepared for you, and a time will be arranged to pick up the material. Currently, the Health Careers Center is not accepting walk-ins to check out books.

**Lending will be available again starting on Friday, January 8, 2021.**

View the materials to be borrowed here!

VIRTUAL ADVISING WITH DR. ANDERSON!

Dr. Anderson is taking virtual appointments for advising! She is available via-phone, or virtually via MS Teams.

Click here to schedule an appointment

PRE-HEALTH/BIOLOGY PEER ADVISING

Will return for Spring semester starting February 8th!

If you need any assistance from Caterra and Tiffany, our peer advisors, they are available virtually via email or video chat during the following times:

- Monday — 3-5 pm
- Tuesday — 8-2 pm
- Thursday — 8-2 pm

Please email them at: BioPeerAdvising@uwec.edu

Or click below and book a virtual appointment with them via MS Teams!

Click here to request a one-on-one virtual meeting via MS Bookings.

They will answer questions about biology and Pre-Professional health programs; class selection, CampS, and Canvas; choice of majors, understanding your degree, registration, transcripts and more!

You can find previous editions of the newsletter, as well as, more useful information on our UWEC webpage

Health Careers Center and in Blugold Insider

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