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.
Congratulations Scholarship recipients!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL HEALTH CAREER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!

Daniel & Kerry Kincaid Pre-Med Scholarship
Simon Garey, Michael Bylander, and Eden Thompson

David & Alice Katz Pre-Med Scholarship
Nathan Hau

Ed & Beth Hicks Pre-Med Scholarship
Ethan Olerich

George & Peggy Fleming Pre-Med Scholarship
Caterra Leavens

Randee and Mike Carney Mayo Research Fellowship
Samantha Thompson

Wisconsin Rural Opportunities Foundation Pre-Health Scholarship
Brooke Polzer

Volunteering & Job Opportunities

MANNERING DENTAL – INTERNSHIP IN DENTISTRY

A paid year-long dental internship in Chicago – ideal for a graduating pre-dental student who is taking a gap year.

Our Chicago loop practice offers a year-long internship for those who are interested in a career in dentistry. This position is designed for college graduates who would like to strengthen their application to dental school. Our practice provides interns with experience in a dental lab, chairside assisting, managing operatory sterilization and all other aspects of dentistry. A successful applicant must be a team-player, a fast learner, organized, adaptive and focused. As you move forward, we are committed to continuing education to encourage your learning and support your growth and development.

Key Responsibilities:

• Work in a team environment focused on patient care and clinical excellence
• Pour, trim and mount models on articulators
• Manage lab cases
• Set up for various procedures and turn over rooms in between patients
• Manage sterilization and order materials
• Greet patients and help schedule appointments
• Assist other team members when needed

Qualifications:

• Exceptional interpersonal and communication skills
• Ability to work independently and reliably; a team player motivated by personal success
• Bachelor’s degree

Hours:

• Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:30AM-5:30PM
• Tuesdays from 7:00AM-4:15PM
• Thursdays from 7:30AM-12:30PM

Job Type: Internship
Salary: $13.00/hour

Questions or comments before applying to the internship can be directed to ardita.ajvazi@gmail.com.
Send your resume and cover letter to both ardita.ajvazi@gmail.com and directly to the dental practice at info@manneringdental.com.

For more information on the practice, check out our website at manneringdental.com. No phone calls please

HEALTH DEPARTMENT - OPENINGS FOR HEALTHCORPS

The Eau Claire City-County Health Department is recruiting two HealthCorps/Community Health Liaisons for the 2021-2022 Wisconsin HealthCorps program! Both positions are full-time (average 32 hrs/week) from September 1, 2021-August 31, 2022. Wisconsin HealthCorps is a program of AmeriCorps, a national program, implemented locally, that engages individuals in a year of service to address pressing community problems. This is our 8th year as a host site for the Wisconsin HealthCorps program.

Members View full position descriptions here:
• Community Health Liaison I
• Community Health Liaison II

Please visit eauclairewi.gov/hdjobs for more information and to apply.

Past members shared why they’ve joined Wisconsin HealthCorps…. What’s your why?
“...give back to my community and learn more about public health.”
“... gain hands on experience serving vulnerable communities and understanding the community’s needs.”
“... I had heard great things about the program from friends and I thought this would provide a great opportunity to utilize my gap-year in a meaningful way.”
“...gain real world experience in public health.”
“...I'm hoping to go back and get my masters in public health and AmeriCorps provides the experience I wanted to gain before making that decision.”
“...I want to learn more about public health. I am hoping my year of service will help direct me to figure out what I want to do when I 'grow up'!”
“...I was seeking a year of growth! HealthCorps is an opportunity that allows me to engage with the community and challenges me to connect with people from different backgrounds than myself.”

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Cortney Draxler.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Your assistance is needed to support the FEMA COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics which will take place in Zorn Arena in the coming months.

Our campus will provide volunteers to:
- Direct traffic from parking lots
- Greet vaccine participants
- Register vaccine participants
- Review waiver forms
- Supervise College of Nursing students giving vaccines

If you are willing to volunteer for any of the available positions in the future, please indicate your willingness by responding with your name and email in this Qualtrics survey. Volunteers will be registered through a software system called Volgistics. After you indicate your willingness to volunteer, you will be sent an invitation to register for a position in the volunteer management system. Volunteers must be invited to create a username and password in the system.

Since this clinic is a partnership between the health department, UWEC and FEMA, it will be staffed by volunteers and staff from all three agencies. UW-Eau Claire anticipates the need for at least 13 positions per shift per day from UWEC volunteers.

How to sign up:
Watch for an email from Volgistics (VICTOUCH) after you complete the survey. This will allow you to register for a signup-system that will be used to schedule yourself for clinics.

Thank you for your willingness to serve our community by volunteering.
North Central AHEC has an exciting upcoming opportunity for any health profession student looking to learn about underserved populations in Wisconsin! We are again hosting our virtual cultural immersion program called Wisconsin Express, combining two of our sites that we normally have on-site in Eau Claire and Marshfield. Community health professionals will be addressing topics of Aging, Veterans, Chronic Illness and the Clark County Plain Community (Amish & Mennonite).

**EAU CLAIRE**  
**AGING & VETERANS FOCUS**

**Summer Break** May 23-26  
This site will focus on caring for an elderly population, many of whom are veterans, have mental health disorders, or have chronic diseases. Students will visit hospitals/clinics, public health departments, aging and disability resource centers, nursing homes, and mental health/rehabilitation facilities. Students will learn about the impact of an aging health care workforce and the ever-growing need for health care professionals in rural and underserved areas.

**MARSHFIELD**  
**AMISH AND Mennonite FOCUS**

**Summer Break** May 23-26  
This site focuses on Amish/Mennonite culture and rural health care. Students visit these communities to explore how respect for culture can interact with health care. They learn about the balance between cost of medical care and reduction of risk. Some of the sites students visit include public health departments, fee-for-service, midwifery and family practice clinics, dental practices, educational institutions, and various Amish/Mennonite businesses.

The fee for students wishing to participate in this 3-day, 20-hour on-line program is only $25!  
The program runs 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. May 24 -26, with a two-hour introduction on Sunday May 23 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Students sign-up here: [https://forms.gle/f8vXHQP598fSjKg9](https://forms.gle/f8vXHQP598fSjKg9)

**Clubs and Organizations**

**PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CLUB**

PPHC last meeting for the Spring semester is **May 5**.  
New meeting location: Centennial 1804.  
Limited availability for in person meeting access, meetings will be held virtually also.
BECOME AN OFFICER IN THE PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CLUB!

Are you interested in an opportunity for leadership experience? Do you want to help guide the direction of pre-professional health education on campus? Do you want to be a mentor to other students? You can help make the Pre-Professional Health Club a great student organization by becoming an officer in the club - a number of positions are open for the 2021-2022 academic year. Contact Caterra Leavens LEAVENCM0836@uwec.edu or Callie Vogel vogelcb1811@uwec.edu with a paragraph on why you want to be a leader of the PPHC and why you think you make a good fit for the position. Deadline to submit is May 14th. We look forward to seeing your applications!

Officer positions available will be in pre-pharmacy, pre-dentistry, and pre-optometry.

This and That

MCAT REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Registration for June through September 2021 MCAT exam dates are now open. If you plan to take the MCAT this spring go to https://students-residents.aamc.org/applying-medical-school/taking-mcat-exam/register-mcat-exam/ to register.

DEPART. OF BIOLOGY VIRTUAL 2021 SPRING SEMINAR SERIES

Join the bi-weekly Biology Spring Seminar events!!!! More information will be available in CANVAS.

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4-5 PM Thursdays
VIA ZOOM: https://bit.ly/3tiRWWN

Follow the Biology Dept on social media:
Facebook: UWEC Biology Department
Twitter/Instagram: @uwecbiology

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. 

[Click Here to check it out!]

**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.

[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]

Appointments can be scheduled with the link above through May 7. If you need to meet with Dr. Anderson after May 7, please email her directly at anderju@uwec.edu.

Schedule an appointment to discuss anything from registering for the right classes to advice on internships, volunteering, and reviewing your personal statements.

**PRE-HEALTH/BIOLOGY PEER ADVISING FINAL WEEK**

If you need any assistance from Caterra and Tiffany, our peer advisors, this is the final week of the semester to meet with them. They are available virtually via email or video chat during the following times this week:

- **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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