Our Mission: To provide consistent guidance, support, and focused opportunities for prospective, current, and post-baccalaureate students interested in a health professional career.
Deadline to apply is March 16th!

Scholarships available in Pre-Medicine, Pre-Dental and Pre-Veterinary.

Don’t forget to check out scholarships available from your academic departments also!

Link to all Gold for Blugolds Scholarships: https://uwec.scholarships.ngwebsolutions.com/CMXAdmin/Cmx_Content.aspx?cpld=848
ARMY MEDICINE VISIT
Wednesday, April 6
Drop in: 4-5 pm
Schofield 30

Stop in and speak to Jacob Shingledecker about the ARMY Medicine Scholarship

**Primarily for Pre-Med, Pre-Dent, Pre-Vet and Pre-OPT students

MARQUETTE DENTAL VISIT
Wednesday, April 20
Drop in: 3-5 pm
Schofield 30
Stop in and speak with Brian Trecek, Director of Dental Admissions, about admissions at Marquette Dental.

Graduate and Professional School Information & Opportunities

JOIN ST. CATHERINE UNIVERSITY FOR AN ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION:

GRADUATE PROGRAMS FROM ST. KATE'S SCHOOL OF HEALTH

Are you looking for graduate school options to prepare you for success in health professions? Join us for an upcoming information session on master’s and doctoral programs from St. Catherine University – Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Physician Assistant. Join us at an upcoming online information session to learn more about graduate programs from St. Catherine University's School of Health:

Master of Arts of Doctorate in Occupational Therapy
7 p.m., Tuesday, March 15

Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)
6 p.m., Wednesday, March 30

Master of Physician Assistant Studies
6 p.m., Tuesday, April 12

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Starting November 2021, we are moving to a new format for information sessions:

1. A pre-recorded information session is available here. Applicants can sign up to review the video at their convenience.
2. Live Zoom Q&A sessions will be held once a month during an evening weeknight with Susan Wold, MS (Assistant Director) and a current dental student. RSVP required and is available below. These sessions will be an informal time for prospective dental students to ask questions, with the expectation that you will have reviewed the recorded information session in advance of your attendance and will come prepared with questions.

Upcoming dates for live Q&A sessions, click the unique link to RSVP for a specific date. Prospective students and applicants are welcome to attend as many sessions as they would like:
- Wednesday, March 30th @ 7-8pm
  CST: [https://apply.dentistry.umn.edu/register/mar_qa](https://apply.dentistry.umn.edu/register/mar_qa)
- Tuesday, April 12th @ 7-8pm
  CST: [https://apply.dentistry.umn.edu/register/apr_qa](https://apply.dentistry.umn.edu/register/apr_qa)
- Wednesday, May 4th @ 7-8pm
  CST: [https://apply.dentistry.umn.edu/register/may_qa](https://apply.dentistry.umn.edu/register/may_qa)

**SCHOOL OF PHARMACY**

Concordia School of Pharmacy is hosting virtual events, if you are interested, here is the link to register:

[https://apply.cuw.edu/register/?id=c6e1e9ad-6927-401a-b976-9a4bee745c21](https://apply.cuw.edu/register/?id=c6e1e9ad-6927-401a-b976-9a4bee745c21)

**On-Campus Summer Opportunity**
Applications are being accepted for the NSF-REU program “Advancing High-Performance Computing Opportunities in Undergraduate Research at UW-Eau Claire to Meet Challenges of Multidisciplinary Computational Science.”

This REU site will provide a comprehensive research experience for ten students in High Performance Computing and its importance in several research domains. Students will get an opportunity to conduct research in any of the research domains mentioned below:

1. Computer Science
2. Chemistry and Biochemistry
3. Geography and Anthropology
4. Materials Sciences and Biomedical Engineering
5. Physics
This is a ten-week program and will run from June 6 – August 12, 2022, in-person (unless unforeseen pandemic related situation arises). **Candidates from underrepresented minority groups, women, and first-generation college students are especially encouraged to apply**

The student will get paid $6000 summer stipend with free room, and meals at UW-Eau Claire.

The details can be found here: [https://www.uwec.edu/academics/college-arts-sciences/nsf-reu/](https://www.uwec.edu/academics/college-arts-sciences/nsf-reu/)

The application deadline closes March 18.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Gomes at gomesr@uwec.edu

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**Volunteering/Service Learning Opportunities**

**ACADEMY FOR LIFELONG LEARNERS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Looking for a volunteer opportunity? The Academy for Lifelong Learners (formerly Senior Americans Day) is looking for volunteers to help run the event on **Tuesday, June 7**. Volunteers are an essential part of making the event a success. All volunteers will receive a complimentary lunch ticket and T-shirt. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit [this survey](#) and contact Tamara Mumm in Continuing Education for more information.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION FOOT AND NAIL CARE CLINIC**

Continuing Education regularly runs a program called the Foot and Nail Care Clinic, the next one is happening in April, and it is an excellent chance for students interested in the medical/healthcare field to be part of a program that contains both educational and community outreach aspects. All of the details are available [HERE](#).

Service Learning has to be done in chunks of 15 or 30 hours, but if you are curious about the program or enjoy working with seniors and would be willing to volunteer for as little as two hours, CE would love to have you.

If you have questions, would like more information, or if you would like to sign up to be contacted when we are scheduling volunteering, please contact Katie.

Applications are being accepted through the Service-Learning website.

**Katie Miles**  mileska@uwec.edu
ATTENTION: PRE-DENTAL STUDENTS!

The Chippewa Valley Free Clinic includes dental clinic and is looking for any students that are pre-dental that may be looking for volunteer opportunities.

Job duties: Interviewing patients and helping gather health information, taking blood pressure, assist in setting up for procedures, and could be trained to assist and take x-rays. Stock rotation, phone screening, making appointments. The list could be endless depending on the student’s level of interest.

CVFC hours are Tuesday nights and the 1st and 3rd Thursday from 8:30-2:00ish.

http://cvfreeclinic.org/volunteer-positions-descriptions/

For an application or more information, contact Rhea.

Rhea Crawford, RDH
Dental Clinic Manager
Chippewa Valley Free Clinic
1030 Oak Ridge Drive
Eau Claire, WI 54701
Phone: 715-839-8477 ext. 204 Fax: 715-839-8521

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, THE CVFC HAS OPENINGS!

The CVFC also has other volunteer opportunities. Such as: receptionist, door screeners, patient navigators, pharmacy technicians, and admin. assistants.

http://cvfreeclinic.org/volunteer-positions-descriptions/

For an application or more information, contact Robin.

Robin Kranig Robin@cvfreeinic.org

Employment Opportunities

VIRTUAL SCRIBE
POSITIONS AVAILABLE
Virtual Medical Scribe positions are perfect for those looking for clinical hours to add to their resumes for Medical or Professional school.

ProScribe, in partnership with their clients, hires and trains medical scribes that work directly alongside physicians documenting the patient interaction. This allows pre-med and pre-nursing students the opportunity to gain clinical experience before applying to professional school.

You can expect these benefits as an employee of ProScribe:

- Clinical exposure to multiple specialties (Oncology, Cardiology, Neurology, Primary Care, Pediatrics, Otolaryngology, Emergency Department and Outpatient Care)
- Recommendation letter from Chief Medical Officer to include in your application to Medical, PA, Nursing, or professional school*
- Advancement opportunities after scribing for 6 months into Virtual or In-Person Trainers at $15-$17 per hour (plus $30 per diem for in-person projects!)*
- Discounts on Kaplan Test Prep Courses
- Discounts on MedSchoolCoach Admissions Counseling Services
- Guaranteed interview at Ross University School of Medicine with additional grant and scholarship options*

(*Eligibility requirements apply)

Additional Perks:
- Work from home
- Flexible scheduling
- Part-time and full-time openings
- Advancement opportunities (Some Scribes now work in Corporate)
- Access to Scribe Life community on Facebook

If you are interested, apply here for Non-Bilingual and Bilingual (Spanish) Virtual Medical Scribe or send your resume and class schedule directly to Sarah De Leon, Sourcing and Outreach Coordinator, Direct: (361) 542-1510 | sdeleon@proscribemd.com

Walmart Pharmacy in Chippewa Falls (Lake Hallie) has several openings for part time pharmacy technicians. They offer a competitive starting wage and schedule flexibility. Weekend and afternoon/evening shifts are available now, and if interested, there are opportunities for more shifts in summer or on breaks if wanted. Working in a pharmacy is excellent experience for any of the health professions. You get to interact with other health professions, you gain knowledge of medications, drug classes and treatment courses.
as well as how to communicate with patients. It truly is wonderful information that can be an asset in any health care endeavor.

If anyone is interested, they can apply online at https://careers.walmart.com/ choosing pharmacy technician as an interest. If there are any questions or you want to talk to someone before applying, call the pharmacy at 715-738-2418. You can ask for Angela Marquardt, Pharmacist, or the Pharmacy Manager, Jake.

A POST-GRADUATION SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Want to make a difference in the lives of young children?

Casa de Esperanza seeks applicants for the Hands of Hope Service Year Program, an ideal gap year opportunity for pre-med/pre-health students. Casa de Esperanza provides residential foster care to children ages birth through six who are in crisis due to abuse, neglect or the effects of HIV. House Parents in our program gain valuable experience that is relevant to their future career goals while simultaneously making a meaningful difference in the lives of a vulnerable group of children.

For a complete description visit: https://www.casahope.org/hands-of-hope-service-year-1.

The application can be found at:
https://www.casahope.org/login?backto=/application-part-one

For more information, please contact Darean Talmadge 713-529-0639
dtalmadge@casahope.org

*They are located in Houston, they welcome graduates from all over the country every year.

Upcoming Events
Smithsonian Touring Exhibit "The Bias Inside Us"
Saturday, Feb. 26 – Sunday, March 27
10- 2pm
Pablo Center at the Confluence

Curated by the Smithsonian Institution, this interactive exhibit explores the well-established science of implicit bias and its consequences. Learn more about how UW-Eau Claire is engaged with “The Bias Inside Us.”

Free and open to public, however guests must reserve ticket for entry. Tickets: Buy: The Bias Inside Us Gallery Viewing (force.com)

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4:00-5:00PM Thursdays via Zoom: [https://bit.ly/3K2FoT6](https://bit.ly/3K2FoT6)  
Meeting ID: 941 5317 7260

**Clubs**

**UW-Eau Claire Pre-Professional Health Club**

*Student organization for: Pre-medicine, Pre-dentistry, Pre-physician assistant, Pre-pharmacy and Pre-optometry students*

*Spring 2022 IN-PERSON Meetings:*
  - February 9 and 23
  - March 9 and 23
  - April 6 and 20
  - May 4

Centennial Hall Rm. 1415, 6-7 pm

**PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CLUB**

**DATES:** February 9 & 23, March 9 & 23, April 6 & 20, May 4  
6-7 pm  
Centennial 1415

Check the PPHC Canvas page for updates from the club
as well as opportunities!

**PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CLUB: DUES:**
Due by March 16th!

*FROM COLE AND CATERRA-CO PRESIDENTS OF PPHC*

The following link is for PPHC dues and additional apparel. With membership of the club, everyone gets a PPHC t-shirt. That being said, that means dues will need to be paid for the club, your dues cover your t-shirt and activities that will be held for your benefit through the PPHC. Dues this year for the PPHC are $20.00. Details on how to pay will be in the information form.

Dues and Apparel Form: [https://forms.gle/7qScYPbPc1PrjFHT6](https://forms.gle/7qScYPbPc1PrjFHT6)

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**Academic Resources**

**ACADEMIC SKILLS CENTER OFFERS PEER ACADEMIC COACHING AVAILABLE**

The Academic Skills Center now offers peer academic coaching. Available to all UW-Eau Claire students, these hourlong meetings offer students an opportunity to work with a trained peer to improve a variety of academic skills, including time management, study skills, note taking and reading comprehension. For more information or to schedule a session, contact Dr. Jack Reid in the Academic Skills Center.

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**VIRTUAL WISCONSIN EXPRESS**

Wisconsin Express Summer Program is a multi-day cultural immersion experience that offers college and university health profession students an opportunity to learn about diverse and regional healthcare needs and challenges in Wisconsin communities.

**Topics:** AGING, VETERANS & CHRONIC ILLNESS and THE PLAIN COMMUNITY OF CLARK COUNTY

Summer Session:
May 22-26 (May 22 4:30-6:00 pm; May 23-25 9:00 a.m-3:00). $25

North Central AHEC is hosting this on-line program that will combine two topics: 1) Aging, Veterans and Chronic Illness and 2) Amish & Mennonite communities of rural Clark County.
Featured speakers from an aging and disability center, health systems, veteran services, educational institutions and researchers, rural clinics, agricultural programs, public health, and alternative health services accessed by rural and underserved populations.

Apply by April 3, 2022. Learn more and find application at: Qualtrics Survey | Qualtrics Experience Management

The Wisconsin Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) is partnering with The Princeton Review to offer test prep packages to students at a discounted rate.

Below you will find the discounted test prep packages offered from AHEC and The Princeton Review.
If you are interested in any of the packages below, or have any questions, please contact Nicole Thill nthill@nahec-wi.org, she will register you and process your payment.

HEALTH CAREERS CENTER LENDING LIBRARY

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!

We have one new MCAT set (2022/23) to borrow, and two sets of 2014 MCATs to give away. Please use the email below to initiate your request.

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.

View the materials available here!

ADVISING WITH DR. ANDERSON

Dr. Anderson is taking appointments for advising! She is available in-person, phone, or virtually via ZOOM.

Click here to schedule an appointment

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

If you need any assistance from Caterra or Chloe, our peer advisors, they are available by DROP-IN, or virtually VIA EMAIL OR VIDEO CHAT during the following times:

Monday — 1-3 pm
Tuesday — 2-4 pm
Wednesday 9-11 am & 12-3 pm
Thursday — 11-4 pm

They can be reached by email at: BioPeerAdvising@uwec.edu

Or click below and book an in-person or virtual appointment with them via Navigate. (Previously MS Bookings)

CLICK HERE TO REQUEST A ONE-ON-ONE VIRTUAL MEETING VIA Navigate.

They will assist in Preparing 4-year plans, planning Pre-Professional health Programs, 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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