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**Blugold Beginnings food drive runs through today**
Blugold Beginnings is hosting a [food drive through today, Tuesday, May 3](#). Collection bins are located in Davies Center; Schneider, Hibbard, Centennial and Phillips halls; McPhee Center; Ecumenical Religious Center; and at local businesses such as StarCup and Hy-Vee. The purpose of the food drive is to raise awareness about food insecurity and to collect donations for the Campus Harvest food pantry. All donations are appreciated.

**Spring Wellbeing Fair is May 4**
The Spring Wellbeing Fair will run from **11 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, May 4**, outdoors on the beautiful lower campus mall. In the case of inclement weather, the event will be in Zorn Arena. Be sure to join your colleagues and other faculty, staff and students in meeting local vendors as
they promote their wellbeing products and services. While you are there, you’ll also have the chance to register for prizes.

Check out student artwork in CETL: Cultural diversity expression through art forms
Now through Monday, May 9, faculty and staff are invited to view the artwork of students enrolled in Art 110, Foundations: 3-Dimensional Design. With diversity expression as a central theme for this project, students researched world cultural celebrations and integrated their research into a wood project using only three bandsaw cuts. A pine wood block is first prepared, and the final volume is produced by cutting, gluing and sanding a rearrangement of the cut pieces. See examples of the artwork on display. The CETL office (Room 1142, VLL Hall) is open from 7:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays. The office will be closed from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, May 5, and 9 a.m.-noon Friday, May 6.

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Drs. Cornel West and Robert George to speak on campus May 5
UW-Eau Claire’s Menard Center for Constitutional Studies is proud to present “Freedom of Expression and Civil Discourse with Cornel West and Robert George” at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 5, in the Ojibwe Ballroom of Davies Center. Join Drs. West and George as they discuss the importance of free and open discourse in a divided society. Space is limited. Reserve your free tickets for this in-person event at tinyurl.com/west-george. Learn more.

ORSP requests CERCA comments
If you attended any of last week’s Celebration of Excellence in Research and Creative Activity (CERCA) events or companion events, the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs would value your feedback. Please click here for the QR code to access the survey.

Visiting international scholars to present research May 6
Visiting international scholars from Changshu Institute of Technology will present their research from 10-11:30 a.m. Friday, May 6, in the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) in Room 1142 of VLL Hall. Topics will include carbon trading (economics), distributions (mathematics), algorithms for software security (computer science) and teacher experiences in a private school (mathematics and education). Refreshments will be provided by the Council on Internationalization and Global Engagement (CIGE). Questions? Contact Catherine Lee.
Be sure to read this month’s wellbeing newsletter
The May employee wellbeing newsletter includes information on skin cancer awareness and prevention, mental health resources, tick bite prevention, the “Nature Calls” on-campus 5K and more.

Study abroad deadlines extended; student speakers available
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Transferology Lab useful for transfer credit equivalencies
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Involved in a workplace accident or incident?
Safety is everyone’s responsibility and a priority at UW-Eau Claire. Unfortunately, accidents can happen during the course of a workday. University employees involved in an workplace accident are responsible for reporting the accident to their supervisor within 24 hours. Filing the proper information immediately following an incident is a critical and necessary step in the workers’ compensation process. If you are a supervisor or manager, please review this information with your team. To review work-related injury reporting processes, please click here. To report incidents that are not work related, please complete this e-form. If you have additional questions, please contact Risk Management, Safety and Sustainability.

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**Wiley open access fee waivers available**

Have you recently submitted, or are you preparing to submit, an article to a journal published by [Wiley](https://wiley.com)? UW-Eau Claire authors whose articles are accepted by a Wiley journal may receive a waiver of article processing charges (APC). Dr. Mary Canales, professor of nursing, recently used one of UW-Eau Claire’s APC waivers, allowing her new [article](https://wiley.com) to be published open access at no cost. To be eligible for a fee waiver, articles must be accepted to a Wiley journal between Feb. 1 and Dec. 31, 2022. Waivers will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, visit [McIntyre Library’s guide about Wiley open access fee waivers](https://library.uwec.edu) or contact Roxanne Backowski or Robin Miller.

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**Expense reimbursement in fiscal year 2022**

Any expense reports **fully approved by 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 29**, will be included in fiscal year 2022 financials. Please submit expense reimbursement reports by **Wednesday, June 1**, to allow time for processing. To be fully approved, an expense report must be approved by the UW System Expense Auditing department ID approver and project approver (if the report is associated with a project ID). Contact the Firstsource Support Team at [askcenter@uwec.edu](mailto:askcenter@uwec.edu) or
715-836-3131, if you have questions or would like assistance with your expense reimbursement report.

**UW-Eau Claire to host Badger Boys State program**
More than 800 Wisconsin high school students will be on campus from June 12-18. The annual civic leadership program brings students together to learn how government works by creating their own mock city, county and state governments. Learn more about the program and last month’s signing meeting.

**LTDC 2022 Virtual Showcase call for proposals extended**
The UW System Learning Technology Development Council’s call for proposals for the 2022 Virtual Showcase has been extended until noon on Monday, May 9. This year’s theme, “On Resourcefulness and Resiliency,” focuses on reflecting on our journey, sharing our experiences, learning from them and taking the knowledge gained into our next experiences. Please consider submitting a proposal for a presentation session and/or TechTalk. Find more information and the call for proposals link on the [LTDC 2022 Virtual Showcase website](#).

**Thank a Blugold!**
Have you thanked a Blugold through the Thank a Blugold! email service? It’s a fast and easy way to show your appreciation at any time. A thank you can go a long way, and it’s free!

**Think about your wellbeing**
Be sure to stay informed about the seven dimensions of wellbeing — physical, emotional, spiritual, intellectual, social, occupational and environmental — through the employee wellbeing website. The site also shares details about wellbeing activities and opportunities on campus and online.

**Blugold Dining news**
- **Dulany Inn.** Faculty, staff and students are welcome to have lunch at the Dulany Inn from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday to try the fantastic menu. Rent out the Heritage Room for an elevated dining experience with no extra charge. Reservations are welcome, but not required; they can be made by calling 715-836-5261 or emailing dining@uwec.edu. Weekly menus can be found here.
- **Baked goods.** Baked goods can be ordered on Blugold Dining’s e-commerce website. All orders are for pickup in Marketplace; you choose the day and time!
- **Dining hours and menus.** For dining hours and menus, visit the [Blugold Dining website](#).

**Vaccination documentation and testing availability**
Employees are encouraged to get vaccinated and to upload their vaccine documentation (vaccine card, immunization record) through MyUWPortal. Follow the directions on this tip sheet to ensure your profile is updated. Antigen testing is offered on the Eau Claire campus in Hilltop Lounge from 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, and 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Testing is offered on the Barron County campus in the Student Center from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Blugolds can schedule a test online.
through uwec.vivi.healthcare and should remember to bring their Blugold ID to the appointment. Access the clinic through the west entrance of Hilltop and follow the signage. See more details and testing information for the Rice Lake and Marshfield campuses on the university’s antigen testing protocols webpage.

**UW-Eau Claire updates regarding COVID-19**
A running account of information regarding COVID-19 and its impact on the campus and community continues to be maintained on the COVID-19 Updates page. Check the link regularly to find resources and updates.

Submit announcement

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**Professional development**

**Travel refresher, virtual open house offered**
UW System Travel Services is offering two additional virtual travel trainings in an open-house format. You can register for these and review previously recorded webinars by going to UW System travel training webinars page. You can find additional travel and reimbursement information on the UW TravelWIse or Canvas travel training sites and in the UW-Eau Claire ASK Center Firstsource + Travel ASK Us Anything! recorded forums. Contact the ASK Center Firstsource Support Team at askcenter@uwec.edu or 715-836-3131 for your travel and reimbursement questions or for assistance.

**Wrapping up fiscal year 2022, looking ahead to new opportunities**
Fiscal year 2022 is coming to a close and that requires PT logs and expense reimbursement reports to be completed. But, what about looking beyond June 30 and trying something new? The Firstsource Support Team of the Administrative Support + Knowledge (ASK) Center is providing virtual discussion forums on topics of interest and answering your administrative questions. The next “ASK Us Anything!” forum will be from 11 a.m.-noon Wednesday, May 18, on Teams. Click here to join the meeting or call 414-435-2332 and enter conference ID 359 373 414#. The forum will focus on wrapping up expense reimbursement requests and PT logs for FY 22 and looking ahead at the possibilities for joining a process improvement advisory team. The forums will be recorded and saved on the ASK Center Firstsource + Travel webpage. You are welcome to submit your questions and topics of interest in advance by emailing ASKCenter@uwec.edu.

**Book discussion sponsored by WWHEL**
All faculty and staff are invited to join a discussion of Leslie C. Aguilar’s book “Ouch! That Stereotype Hurts: Communicating Respectfully in a Diverse World.” Those interested may join a discussion from noon-1:30 p.m. Friday, May 13, or noon-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18. Books and refreshments are sponsored by a Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership (WWHEL) grant. Register by Friday, May 6, for the May 13 or May 18 discussion.
Administrative Professionals Collaboration Group (formerly Administrative Support Collaboration Group) supports administrative professionals on campus
The Administrative Professionals Collaboration Group is for administrative professionals on campus (academic department associates, assistants, associates, coordinators, office managers and specialists). This group was created to increase communication and share information; discuss policies, procedures, ideas and changes; and share tips and tricks that relate to our positions. Meetings are scheduled monthly during the academic year. **How to join:** Go to [teams.uwec.edu](https://teams.uwec.edu) to download Microsoft Teams, a collaboration tool the group uses for communication and resource sharing. Once you are logged in, click on Join or Create Team in the upper right. Use the search bar to look for UWEC-Administrative-Support. Coordinators will be notified once you have submitted a request to join, and we'll get you added!

**Upcoming sessions:**
- **Docs that Rock: Process Documentation for Admins:** Thursday, May 12, 1-2 p.m.

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**Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) professional development**
- **Teaching and Technology Q&A and Canvas sessions (virtual):** View sessions.
- **Transparent Design Framework workshops (in person and virtual):** View workshops.
- **Creating Effective Group Projects Community of Practice:** Learn more and register.
- **Teaching Boost Short-Courses:** Want to make a change in your teaching or course but need some flexibility to commit to the process? Our new asynchronous courses are available for your convenience and can be completed in two to four hours anytime during the dates provided. **Academic Integrity:** offered May 23-June 3 or Aug. 15-26.
- **Having Better Discussions:** June 6-17. **Course Revisions to Enhance Learning:** July 10-16. **Course Redesign — Organization in Canvas:** July 17-23. **Course Redesign — Accessibility for All:** July 24-30. **Facilitating Learning Online:** Aug. 1-12.
- **Two EDI Tier 2 opportunities:**
  - Including Race and Racism in Your Courses: Why It Matters and How to Do It: Wednesday, May 25, 9 a.m.-noon. Learn more and register.
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- **NEW:** At-Risk Mental Health for Faculty and Staff online learning module. Learn more and register.
Summer programming coming soon!

Professional development for all faculty and staff
Employee Performance Management Wednesday: May 4, 9 a.m.-noon via MS Teams. See details and register.
6 Critical Practices Wednesday: May 11, 18 and 25, 9 a.m.-noon via Zoom. See details and register.
Personal Development Podcast: Thursday, May 26: How To Conquer Self Doubt (mindfulness).

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Meeting notices

• See all meetings and agendas.
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## Awards and achievements

**Dr. Dorothy Chan**, assistant professor of English, whose piece “Triple Sonnet for Dennis Rodman #91, on my Television Screen,” originally was published in AAWW’s The Margins, was featured in the Micro podcast, as well as on Literary Hub. Rosebud Ben-Oni read Chan’s poem “Hello Baby, Hello Sir” (from BABE, Diode Editions) for the Poets House Hard Hat Reading Series. In addition, Chan’s poem “Ode to Sitting Courtside at a Lakers Game” was published in the latest issue of Superstition Review.


**Dr. Harry Jol**, professor of geography and anthropology, co-authored the paper “Using a multi-proxy approach to locate the elusive Phoenician/Persian anchorage of Tel Akko (Israel)” with UW-Eau Claire students **Logan Bergevin** and **Ethan Sailer-Haugland** and colleagues Mathieu Giaime (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona), Yossi Salmon (University of Haifa), Gloria López (Colombian Geological Society), Amani Abu Hamid (Israel Antiquities Authority), Paul Bauman (BGC Engineering), Alastair McClymont (BGC Engineering) and Michal Artzy (University of Haifa). The paper was peer-reviewed and published in Quaternary International, Vol. 602, pages 66-81.

**Dr. Kaishan Kong**, associate professor of Chinese in the languages department, was invited to give two presentations in April. On April 9, she co-presented with ChinHuei Yeh (Shrewsbury High School, Massachusetts) in the webinar “From culture to interculturality: theories and practices” for the Chinese Language Association of Secondary-Elementary Schools. On April 27, she presented the webinar “A Wake-Up Call for World Language Teachers” for the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, sponsored by the Critical and Social Justice Approaches special interest group.

**Dr. Sean McAleer**, professor of philosophy in the philosophy and religious studies department, presented “Aristotle on Happiness and Virtue” on April 21 at the L.E. Phillips Senior Center as part of the Chippewa Valley Learning in Retirement speaker series.
Dr. Dale Taylor, professor emeritus of music and theatre arts, presented “Music Therapy — How It Really Works” during two different sessions on April 30 at Pablo Center at the Confluence. His presentations were part of the Big Sing weekend, hosted and sponsored by the Eau Claire Male Chorus.

Congratulations to UW-Eau Claire’s 2022 years of service recipients and retirees! Be sure to congratulate your colleagues on their achievement.

Submit award/achievement item

In memoriam

Condolences to the family and friends of Eugene Olson, who passed away April 15. Olson was a member of UW-Eau Claire’s Custodial Services staff from 1984 until his retirement in 2011. View full obituary.

Condolences to the family and friends of the Rev. Dr. Jerry Richards, who passed away April 22. Richards led the major gifts and planned giving programs in the UW-Eau Claire Foundation from 1985-2003, and taught in the philosophy and religious studies department until his retirement in 2011. View full obituary.

In the news

Billy Felz, interim vice chancellor for enrollment management, was interviewed for the May 2 WQOW-TV story “Dozens of dogs be on UWEC campus for ‘Bark Break.’”

UW-Eau Claire students Spencer Keith, Anna Zank and Ryan Fries were quoted in the April 28 Eau Claire Leader-Telegram article “UW-Eau Claire students, faculty put hundreds of research projects on display.” Dr. Jessica Kraker and Herschel Day, professors of mathematics, also were mentioned in the article.

Dr. Adam Kunz, assistant professor of political science, was quoted in the May 3 WQOW-TV story “UWEC professor explains the legal implications if Roe v. Wade is overturned.”

UW-Eau Claire students Zoe Lewis, Hannah Kurth, Karley Baumgart and Ella Vanderbloemen were quoted in the May 3 Eau Claire Leader-Telegram article “Members of EC community protest leaked SCOTUS draft on Roe v. Wade.”
UW-Eau Claire alumnus Josh Meeks and student Emma Walker were quoted in the May 4 Volume One article “Wine not? UWEC students help Wine Club Posse create community support.” Tori Follett, development officer in the UW-Eau Claire Foundation, and students Kas Palzkill, Glacier Johnson, Mikinley Prafke and Hayden Baughman also were mentioned in the article.

The Small Business Development Center at UW-Eau Claire, which recently received an Exceptional Partner Award, was mentioned in the April 27 Barron News Shield article “Wenger among business award winners; Recognized for outstanding growth.”

UW-Eau Claire student Ethan Van Grunsven was featured in the April 28 Volume One article “Blugold shows ‘Sconny’ pride with Wisconsin-inspired clothing line.”

Dr. Ryan Weichelt, professor of geography, was quoted in two news stories May 2 in The Badger Project, “Democrats’ sole redistricting victory: Paul Ryan’s old congressional district in southeastern Wisconsin” and “Little change to 3rd Congressional District that includes La Crosse, Eau Claire as GOP blocked from undoing gerrymandering blunder,” and his map was featured on May 3.

Submit news item

New employees, position updates and retirements

Have you recently joined UW-Eau Claire as a faculty or staff member? Moved to a different campus department or unit to start a new position? Recently retired? If so, we welcome your news.

Congratulations to Roberta West, clinical counselor in Counseling Services, who recently retired.

Submit employee updates

Campus news and features

- Blugolds receive majority of area K-12 Golden Apple awards for educators
- Pursuing multiple interests as a Blugold prepares new graduate for success
- Experiences in and outside the classroom prepare nursing grad for future success in health care
- Nine to receive UW-Eau Claire Alumni Association awards
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**Have you been elected to public office?**
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**Deadline extended for Workplace Immersion Program**
The Workplace Immersion Program is open to all majors and aims to help students complete an internship in historically unpaid positions in the local community. Please encourage any interested students to apply for this opportunity. An internship position does not have to be secured in advance to apply. Students can learn more and apply here. The final deadline is **5 p.m. Friday, May 13**. Questions can be directed to Career Services at arcc@uwec.edu or 715-836-3487.

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Wiley open access fee waivers available
Have you recently submitted, or are you preparing to submit, an article to a journal published by Wiley? UW-Eau Claire authors whose articles are accepted by a Wiley journal may receive a waiver of article processing charges (APC). Dr. Mary Canales, professor of nursing, recently used one of UW-Eau Claire’s APC waivers, allowing her new article to be published open access at no cost. To be eligible for a fee waiver, articles must be accepted to a Wiley journal between Feb. 1
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Upcoming sessions:
  - Docs that Rock: Process Documentation for Admins: Thursday, May 12, 1-2 p.m.

Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) professional development
  - Teaching and Technology Q&A and Canvas sessions (virtual): View sessions.
  - Transparent Design Framework workshops (in person and virtual): View workshops.
  - Creating Effective Group Projects Community of Practice: Learn more and register.
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  - Summer programming coming soon!

**Professional development for all faculty and staff**

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**Ted Talk Tuesday:** May 17: The Power of Imagination: Lessons from Shakespeare.

**Personal Development Podcast:** Thursday, May 26: How To Conquer Self Doubt (mindfulness).

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**Meeting notices**

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Dr. Debra K. S. Barker, professor of English and American Indian studies, presented her research on literary representations of restorative justice April 8 during a roundtable discussion titled “The Unifying Vision of Louise Erdrich’s Justice Trilogy.” The roundtable was hosted by the Association for the Study of American Indian Literatures’ annual conference.

Dr. Patricia Cleary, associate professor of chemistry and biochemistry, had a paper, titled “Observations of the Lower Atmosphere during the 2021 WiscoDISCO Field Campaign,” published in the journal Earth System Science Data with three UWEC undergraduate co-authors, Ben Kies, Joe Tirado and Aidan Voon, along with researchers from UW-Madison, Purdue University and University of Colorado.

Dr. Longzhu Dong, assistant professor of management and marketing, will have his article, titled “Does National Diversity Impact Conflict in Global Virtual Teams? The Role of Language Factors,” published in the Journal of Telecommunications and the Digital Economy. It will be included in the “Digital Technologies and Innovation” special issue. The article was funded through the management and marketing department’s summer research fund.

Dr. Gloria Howerton, assistant professor of geography and anthropology, had her article, titled “‘Rude and in Defiance of Authority’: Arizona Anti-Mexican American Studies Legislation and the Discursive Positioning of the ‘Rude’ Student of Color,” published May 11 in the journal *Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space*.

Dr. Chia-Yu Hsu, associate professor of music-composition, is one of 15 composers being commissioned to compose a new piece for the Biophony project, set for May 14-June 21 in New York City. Biophony is a five-week series of free pop-up concerts at dozens of plazas, squares, parks and open streets throughout the city. The project will highlight new, flexible, open-score pieces for outdoor performances, inspired by nature’s first musicians — birds. Learn more about the Biophony project.

Dr. Won Jang, professor of communication and journalism, Dr. Eric Jamelske, professor of economics, and other co-authors have had their book chapter, titled “A Comparative Analysis of American and Chinese Media Coverage of Climate Change Issues Over the Period 2007-15,” published in the book “The Palgrave Handbook of International Communication and Sustainable Development,” edited by Muhammad Jameel Yusha’u and Jan Servaes, Palgrave Macmillan, 2021. The chapter was published separately by Springer. Jang also co-authored the paper “Media Coverage of the Territorial Dispute in the Asia-Pacific Region,” which was presented at the Midwest Association for Public Opinion Research (MAPOR) 2021 annual conference Nov. 19-20, 2021, in Chicago. In addition, Jang and co-authors have had their paper “Crafting Youth Sport Consumer Voice on Social Media: The Effects of Visual Prominence and Message Appeal on Consumer Response to Online Communications” designated as a top paper and accepted for presentation to the sports communication interest group at the 2022 Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication conference Aug. 3-6 in Detroit.

Recently, College of Business alumni Ben Kyriagis and Shelley Kyriagis donated two new benches outside of Schneider Hall in honor of Dr. Bill Hannaford, professor emeritus of management and marketing, and themselves. Hannaford played an important role in Ben’s life as a student at UW-Eau Claire as his former marketing professor and advisor. The other bench recognizes the importance of UW-Eau Claire and the COB to Ben and Shelley as a couple. Ben, a marketing major, and Shelley, a management major, met in an economics class in Schneider Hall before they graduated in 1978. Their son also graduated from UW-Eau Claire.

Dr. Doug Matthews, professor of psychology, recent UW-Eau Claire graduates Samantha Scaletty, Sarah Trapp, Abigail Kastner, Amelia Schneider and Areonna Schreiber and current UWEC student and Biomedical Innovation Scholar Gillian Rossmann co-authored the paper “Chronic intermittent ethanol administration during adolescence produces sex dependent impairments in behavioral flexibility and survivability,” which was published in the journal *Brain Sciences*, Vol. 12, No. 5, page 606, 2022.

Congratulations to Patricia McGregor, administrative assistant in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, who received the University Staff Council Employee Appreciation Committee’s
“Thank a Blugold!” prize for the month of April. She was nominated by Catherine Wildenberg, lecturer in nursing. Remember to take time to use Thank a Blugold! to recognize your fellow Blugolds!

Dr. Jean Pratt, associate dean of the College of Business and professor of information systems; Dr. Liqiang Chen, associate professor of information systems; Dr. Abraham Nahm, professor of management and marketing; and Hans Kishel, sciences librarian and head of user services in McIntyre Library, had their article, titled “Information Systems and Operations/Supply Chain Management: A Systematic Literature Review,” published in Taylor & Francis Online.

Dr. Casey Rozowski, director of data management, analytics and reporting, graduated with his Ph.D. in economics from North Carolina State University on May 7. Rozowski also co-authored the peer-reviewed article “Lessons for a SECURE Future: Evaluating Diversity in Crop Biotechnology Across Regulatory Regimes,” which was published May 2 in Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology. Rozowski and his co-authors were funded by the National Science Foundation through the NC State Genetic Engineering and Society Center.

Patti See, lead advisor in the Advising, Retention and Career Center/senior lecturer in women’s, gender and sexuality studies, had her “Sawdust Stories” essay “The Right Man for the Job,” on local television icon Sheriff Bob, published in the April 29 Eau Claire Leader-Telegram and the May 2 issue of The Country Today.

Jenni Sterling, administrative training coordinator for University Centers, commencement co-lead and certified FranklinCovey facilitator, has earned a master of science degree in training and human resource development from UW-Stout.

Jamie Tester Morfoot, assistant professor of social work, was elected in April to the Lake Holcombe School Board for a three-year term.

Submit award/achievement item

In memoriam

Condolences to the family and friends of Dr. David Ponick, who passed away April 25. Ponick, professor emeritus of mathematics, was a member of the UW-Eau Claire faculty from 1976 until his retirement in 1997. View full obituary.

In the news
Billy Felz, interim vice chancellor for enrollment management, was interviewed for the May 6 WEAU-TV story “Students show puppy love at Bark Break.”

UW-Eau Claire students Andrew Lindaas and Ethan Blaney were quoted in the May 4 Eau Claire Leader-Telegram article “Buying fresh with benefits,” which highlighted their student-faculty research. Dr. Eric Jamelske, professor of economics and the students’ mentor, also was mentioned in the article.

Jaden Mikoulinskii, UW-Eau Claire’s student body president, was featured in the May 10 Eau Claire Leader-Telegram article “UW-EC graduate overcomes challenges, looks to the future.”

Dr. Sarita Mizin, assistant professor of English and women’s, gender and sexuality studies, and Dr. Kaia Simon, assistant professor of English and women’s, gender and sexuality studies, and director of the Writing Program, were mentioned in the May 5 News800.com article “Three UWL professors named Wisconsin Teaching Fellows and Scholars.” See related story about Mizin and Simon.

UW-Eau Claire students Taylor Schmidtfranz, Hanna Lea and Sam Mattson, and Staci Heidtke, director of Career Services, were interviewed for the May 10 Wisconsin Public Radio story “'Unlike it’s ever been’: New college graduates are finding jobs sooner, at higher pay.”

Dr. Ryan Weichelt, professor of geography, was quoted in the article “Democrats’ sole redistricting victory: Paul Ryan’s old congressional district in southeastern Wisconsin,” published May 7 in The Badger Project and May 10 in the La Crosse Tribune. Weichelt also was quoted in the May 10 WIZM Radio story “After multiple court challenges, Wisconsin’s 3rd Congressional changes little, as GOP blocked from undoing gerrymandering blunder.”

UW-Eau Claire student Nicole Wolfe and Dr. Lorraine Smith, assistant professor of nursing, were interviewed for the May 10 WQOW-TV story “UW-Eau Claire researchers studying nicotine use in Eau Claire youth.”

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**New employees, position updates and retirements**

Have you recently joined UW-Eau Claire as a faculty or staff member? Moved to a different campus department or unit to start a new position? Recently retired? If so, we welcome your news.

Congratulations to Celeste (Lark) Keating-Hadlock, assistant archivist in McIntyre Library’s Special Collections and Archives, on her retirement!
The staff of McIntyre Library are delighted to welcome Eva Peterson as their new administrative assistant.

Robin Rundquist joined the Small Business Development Center at UW-Eau Claire as a financial consultant on May 2. Robin’s colleagues are thrilled to have her aboard!

Submit employee updates

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Campus news and features

- UW-Eau Claire spring commencement ceremonies set for May 21
- Graduating Blugold is nontraditional in multiple ways
- Solving it spatially: Matt Dewitte '22
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**Call for proposals: spring 2023 honors colloquia**

The University Honors Program invites proposals for spring 2023 honors colloquia. We’re looking for courses that will excite and challenge our highly motivated, high-achieving students from all majors, while helping them to grow intellectually, personally and professionally. Colloquia are limited to 26 students and are specifically designed for the University Honors Program. We welcome interdisciplinary, innovative and inclusive pedagogies and invite proposals on all topics. [Click here](#) for examples. Compensation (to departments or through PARF/overload) is available. For priority consideration, please submit an e-form proposal to teach a new or existing colloquium by Friday, May 20. Questions? Contact [Dr. Heather Fielding](mailto:), Honors Program director.

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Awards and achievements

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**Dr. Dorothy Chan**, assistant professor of English, had her second book, “Revenge of the Asian Woman,” featured in Book Riot’s April 28 article “**10 Poetry Books by LGBTQ Asian Authors to Read Right Now.**” Chan’s third and newest book, “BABE,” was reviewed in the “**NewPages**” blog.

**Dr. Derek Drake**, visiting assistant professor of German, and **Dr. Josh Brown**, professor of German and linguistics, presented their paper “Linguistic and Cultural Contact among Eau Claire’s (WI) Germans” at the 46th Annual Symposium of the Society for German-American Studies, held April 21-23 at the University of Iowa. Drake and Germán Zárate-Sández (Western Michigan University) served as section and discussion leaders for the linguistics section at the (virtual) 2022 annual conference of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters on March 11. In addition, Drake will have an entry, titled “Bilingualism, Aging, and Dementia,” published in the Palgrave Encyclopedia of Critical Perspectives on Mental Health, which will be available this summer.

**Dr. Christa Garvey**, professor of music-oboe, gave an invited presentation, titled “From Ugly Ducklings to Graceful Swans: Key Strategies for Improving Your Oboe Section,” May 14 at the 2022 Iowa Bandmasters Association annual conference in Des Moines, Iowa.

**Dr. Frances Hawes**, assistant professor of health care administration, has had her peer-reviewed article, titled “The Impact of Supervisor Support on the Job Satisfaction of Immigrant and Minority Long-Term Care Workers,” accepted for publication in the **Journal of Applied Gerontology**. Hawes co-authored the manuscript, which will be included in the upcoming July issue, with Dr. Shuangshuang Wang (Southwest Jiaotong University).

**Jill Markgraf**, director of libraries, serves as vice president of the **L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library board of trustees**. She also serves on the **board of trustees of the IFLS Library System**, a state-funded support agency for 53 public libraries in a 10-county area of Wisconsin.
Dr. Doug Matthews, professor of psychology, presented the lecture “Using animal models to identify clinical risk factors in the older population due to alcohol use and misuse” at the Wisconsin Alzheimer’s Institute’s spring network meeting on May 6.

Dr. Joe Morin, professor emeritus of special education, had his memoir, “Villains, Victims & the Vanquished: A memoir,” published in 2021. The memoir traces Morin's journey to becoming a professional teacher. He lives in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and can be reached at morinje@icloud.com.

The following faculty, staff and community partners were honored with awards May 6 at the 2022 College of Education and Human Sciences Celebration: Dr. Tom Sather, associate professor of communication sciences and disorders, Ron Satz Teacher Scholar Award; Dr. Leah Olson-McBride, professor and chair of the social work department, Jeff Oliphant Blugold Spirit Award; Becca Jarzynski, clinical instructor in communication sciences and disorders, Centennial Emerging Leader Award; Linda Brunner, academic department associate in education for equity and justice, Dean's Excellence Award; Craig Sieracki, Department of Corrections; Rebecca Fuller, Dove Health Care; and Ryan and Laura Bembnister, The Goat Coffee House, each were recognized with a HOPE (Honoring Our Professionals of Excellence) Award for their commitment to mentoring UW-Eau Claire COEHS students and modeling collaborative leadership. Read the celebration program.

Dr. Mckenzie West, along with co-organizers Dr. Heidi Goodson (Brooklyn College) and Dr. Allechar Serrano-López (Harvard University), were awarded a grant from the Number Theory Foundation to provide financial support for participants of their workshop, Rethinking Number Theory.

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In the news
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Spring electrical inspections, steam outage in progress
The annual electrical inspections are underway and will continue through Friday, May 27. Maintenance will be performed on electrical gear feeder No. 3, which will impact the Nursing Building, Phillips Hall, Schneider Hall, McPhee Center and the Flesch Welcome Center. Power will be shut down from 6-8 a.m. in one building per day. Facilities manager Chris Buckley will work with building coordinators to schedule outages. The annual steam outage is in progress and will continue through noon on Tuesday, May 31. During the outage, inspections, maintenance and repairs will be made to the campus steam distribution lines.

Printing Services announces summer hours
Starting this week, Printing Services will be open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays and will continue to be closed on weekends. Regular hours will resume when fall semester begins. If you have questions, email Printing Services or call 715-836-5621.
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Expense reimbursement in fiscal year 2022
Any expense reports fully approved by 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 29, will be included in fiscal year 2022 financials. Please submit expense reimbursement reports by Wednesday, June 1, to allow time for processing. To be fully approved, an expense report must be approved by the UW System Expense Auditing department ID approver and project approver (if the report is associated with a project ID). Contact the Firstsource Support Team at askcenter@uwec.edu or 715-836-3131, if you have questions or would like assistance with your expense reimbursement report.

Fiscal year-end deadline reminders
Fiscal year 2022 ends on Thursday, June 30. Please see the 2022 fiscal year-end deadlines page for procurement, accounts payable, university accounting and travel deadlines. Please contact the individual departments if you have additional questions.

Updates on COVID-19 testing, vaccination documentation
Antigen testing is offered on the UW-Eau Claire campus in Hilltop Lounge through the end of this week from 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesday. The last day of testing in Hilltop Lounge will be Friday, May 27. Blugolds can schedule a test online through uwec.vivi.healthcare and should remember to bring their Blugold ID to the appointment. Alternate test locations can be found here. Starting May 28, students may schedule appointments with Student Health Service for symptomatic testing and employees should contact their health care provider for testing options. See more details and testing information for the Rice Lake and Marshfield campuses on the university’s antigen testing protocols webpage.

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Honors course searching for collaborators
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Bicycles and airplanes and cars, oh my!
Do you know a student who needs transportation? Do you need transportation? Several options are available to get you where you want to go locally and long distance. Check out the Student Transportation Options — Local and Long Distance page on the UW-Eau Claire website. The article link also can be found on the UW-Eau Claire Campus Life and Firstsource + Travel pages. You will find information about bike rentals, buses, shuttles, cars and planes. Happy travels!

ShopUW+ upgrade leads to procedural changes
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Transferology Lab useful for transfer credit equivalencies
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UW-Eau Claire updates regarding COVID-19
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Professional development

Brush up on the library
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- **Identity, Privilege and Oppression:** Thursday, June 23, 1-3 p.m.
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**Dr. Jessica Miller**, professor of French in the languages department, shares that, based on attendee reviews, her presentation “Academic Integrity in the Virtual Language Class” has been selected as the “Best of Wisconsin” from the 2021 Wisconsin Association For Language Teachers (WAFLT) fall conference. Miller has been invited to represent WAFLT at the 2023 Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages.


**Denise Stewart**, dean’s assistant in the College of Arts and Sciences, received the University Staff Council Employee Appreciation Committee’s “Thank a Blugold!” prize for the month of May. She was nominated by Sheila Hurt, assistant stewardship coordinator in the Foundation. Remember to take time to use “Thank a Blugold!” to recognize your fellow Blugolds!

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**In the news**

UW-Eau Claire **Continuing Education’s technical writing certificate program** was highlighted in the May 19 Edugraph article “5 online courses that can help arts students to get into the tech industry.”

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The LTS Help Desk is open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays and will be closed on weekends through Friday, Sept. 2.

Expense reimbursement in fiscal year 2022
Any expense reports fully approved by 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 29, will be included in fiscal year 2022 financials. Please submit expense reimbursement reports by Wednesday, June 1, to allow time for processing. To be fully approved, an expense report must be approved by the UW System Expense Auditing department ID approver and project approver (if the report is associated with a project ID). Contact the Firstsource Support Team at askcenter@uwec.edu or 715-836-3131, if you have questions or would like assistance with your expense reimbursement report.

**Fiscal year-end deadline reminders**
Fiscal year 2022 ends on Thursday, June 30. Please see the 2022 fiscal year-end deadlines page for procurement, accounts payable, university accounting and travel deadlines. Please contact the individual departments if you have additional questions.

**Honors course seeks student collaborators**
HNRS 358, Honors Seminar in Interprofessional Communication, is looking for students to perform as standardized participants during the fall 2022 semester. Please share this link with students who might be interested.

**Transferology Lab useful for transfer credit equivalencies**
Transferology Lab is a user-friendly website for faculty and staff to view transfer credit equivalencies for UW-Eau Claire coursework. To request access, visit transferologylab.com, click on “Log in” and “Request Lab account” or contact Admissions at admissions@uwec.edu or 715-836-5415 for additional information.

**UW-Eau Claire updates regarding COVID-19**
A running account of information regarding COVID-19 and its impact on the campus and community continues to be maintained on the COVID-19 Updates page. Check the link regularly to find resources and updates.

**Submit announcement**

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**Professional development**

**Brush up on the library**
As you prepare for a productive summer of research, writing and course planning, consider brushing up on the tools and services offered by McIntyre Library. Library staff members will offer a webinar at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 1, to demonstrate quick ways to access essential resources and place requests. They also will respond to questions you’ve been meaning to ask about the library and its resources and services. Sign up to attend and submit questions in advance.

**Professional Development Conference registration now open**
The 2022 University Staff Professional Development Conference will be **Wednesday, June 8**, which will be virtual, and **Thursday, June 9**, which will be in person at UW-Eau Claire. Click here to view the digital brochure. Click here to register for the event. This annual event is open to all UWEC employees, as well as external attendees from other UW System campuses, the Wisconsin Technical College System and many of our community partners. It is designed as a collaborative environment for networking and ongoing learning opportunities for employees who work outside the classroom. Sessions are selected to promote both professional and personal development for achieving work-life balance through enhanced skills, inspiring innovation/creative thinking and establishing goals to continuously improve the workplace. Visit the Professional Development Conference website for more information, and contact LIST.USC.PRODEV@uwec.edu with questions or suggestions.

Learning Technology Development Council’s 2022 Virtual Showcase registration is open! Join keynote speakers Merlyna Valentine, an international speaker, author and consultant; Katie Linder, associate vice chancellor for digital strategy and learning at the University of Colorado Denver; and instructors and staff throughout the UW System for the Learning Technology Development Council’s 2022 Virtual Showcase Tuesday and Wednesday, June 21 and 22. This free professional development opportunity will focus on the themes of resourcefulness and resiliency as we design the new normal for teaching and learning. Sessions, panels and keynotes are synchronous online and prerecorded. Register here.

Travel refresher, virtual open house offered
UW System Travel Services is offering two additional virtual travel trainings in an open-house format. You can register for these and review previously recorded webinars by going to UW System travel training webinars page. You can find additional travel and reimbursement information on the UW TravelWise or Canvas travel training sites and in the UW-Eau Claire ASK Center Firstsource + Travel ASK Us Anything! recorded forums. Contact the ASK Center Firstsource Support Team at askcenter@uwec.edu or 715-836-3131 for your travel and reimbursement questions or for assistance.

Administrative Professionals Collaboration Group (APCG) supports administrative professionals on campus
The Administrative Professionals Collaboration Group is for administrative professionals on campus (academic department associates, assistants, associates, coordinators, office managers and specialists). This group was created to increase communication and share information; discuss policies, procedures, ideas and changes; and share tips and tricks that relate to our positions. Meetings are scheduled monthly during the academic year. The group also uses Microsoft Teams, a collaboration tool, for communication and resource sharing. Please contact any of the APCG coordinators, Kelly Austin, Debbie Baier, Nicole Owen or Tonya Simpson, to join the group or to ask questions.

Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) professional development
- Canvas Updates and More sessions (virtual): View sessions.
- Transparent Design Framework workshops (in person and virtual): View workshops.
• Teaching Boost Short-Courses: Want to make a change in your teaching or course but need some flexibility to commit to the process? Our new asynchronous courses are available for your convenience and can be completed in two to four hours anytime during the dates provided. The courses are: Having Better Discussions: June 6-17; Course Revisions to Enhance Learning: July 10-16; Course Redesign — Organization in Canvas: July 17-23; Course Redesign — Accessibility for All: July 24-30; Facilitating Learning Online: Aug. 1-12; and Academic Integrity: Aug. 15-26.

• 2022 Distance Teaching and Learning Conference: Aug. 3-5.

Equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) professional development for faculty and staff
View and register for sessions and groups.

Coming up:
• Inclusive Language (register for one): Thursday, June 16, 2-3:30 p.m.; Wednesday, July 20, 10-11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, Aug. 16, 1-2:30 p.m.
• EDI Reading and Video Clip Dialogue Group: Whiteness, Allyship and Taking Action: Mondays, June 20, 27 and July 11, 1-2 p.m.
• Identity, Privilege and Oppression: Thursday, June 23, 1-3 p.m.
• Reading Group: “Biased: Uncovering the Hidden Prejudice That Shapes What We See, Think and Do“: Tuesdays, July 5, 12 and 19, 10-11 a.m.
• Allow Me to Translate: Monday, July 11, 2-4 p.m.
• Independent film viewing series:
  • “Honor Thy Mother.”
  • “Fast-Forward.”
  • “Gather.”
  • “The Bearded-Lady Project: Challenging the Face of Science.”
  • “Latino Wisconsin.”

Professional development for all faculty and staff
Summer is for Learning! Complete your Growth Mindset for Leaders certificate or get started on your leadership journey. Join us for upcoming courses, including the new flipped-classroom-style UW-Eau Claire courses now offered in an online format with a one-hour, in-person application session.

June and July offerings
Faculty and staff can view and register for all UW-Eau Claire offerings through the workshops website.

June
Policies and Career: Wednesday, June 15, 9-10 a.m. via MS Teams.
Communication, Budget and Working with Others (optional): Wednesday, June 22, 9-10 a.m. via MS Teams.
Ted Talk Tuesday: June 14: How Miscommunication Happens and How to Avoid It.
July
Hire to Retire (application session): Thursday, July 7, 1-2 p.m. via MS Teams.

Growth Mindset for Leaders Learning Camp (week 1):
7 Habits of Highly Effective People: Tuesday, July 19, 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. via Zoom.
6 Critical Practices for Leadership: Wednesday, July 20, 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. via Zoom.
Leading at the Speed of Trust (optional): Thursday, July 21, 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Growth Mindset for Leaders Learning Camp (week 2): (Canvas pre-course with in-person application sessions)
Hire to Retire: Monday, July 25, 1-2 p.m. via MS Teams.
Policies and Careers: Wednesday, July 27, 1-2 p.m. via MS Teams.
Employee Performance Management: Thursday, July 28, 9-10 a.m. via MS Teams.
Communication, Budget and Working with Others: Friday, July 29, 9-10 a.m. via MS Teams.

Submit professional development item

Meeting notices

• See all meetings and agendas.
• Submit your meeting notice.

Blugold FYI archive

Blugold FYI compiles many bits of information and announcements about the business of working at UW-Eau Claire into one single email for your convenience. Reply to give us your feedback, or head to the form to submit items for a future issue.