

"The Blugold Marching Band is a family. Working with so many amazing and inspiring individuals is the highlight of this organization. I am proud to be a member and love giving back to the community through performance. My time with the BMB will forever be with me as I continue on through school and into my adult life as I have been so positively impacted. I encourage anyone who is able to consider being a part."

Megan Hutera | Music Education | Rice Lake, Wis.

400+

BLUGOLD MARCHING BAND
largest Division III marching band in the country

50+ PERFORMING ENSEMBLES

Perform for the world! Our music ensembles offer performance opportunities and international travel. Recent concerts took place at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., and international venues including Greece, Italy, Argentina, Israel and Turkey.

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MAJOR THEATRE productions per year



400 SINGERS
6 CHOIRS

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Eau Claire
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Inspiring programs for those who have a passion for music and theatre arts. Whether your interests lie in music, theatre or dance, we invite you to join a legacy of great talent that has passed through our music and theatre arts program. Among our faculty are masterful artists who grace international stages when they are not teaching and bringing world-class performers to campus. Experience performing professionally or just for the love of it. You don't have to major or minor in music or theatre arts to be involved.

Music

In the spotlight

- One of the largest programs for music educators in the region
- Seven DownBeat awards for "Best College Big Band"
- 38+ years of Cabaret variety show
- 50+ years of The Singing Statesmen
- Viennese Ball
- Gatsby's Gala

Music ensembles

Choral music

- Chamber Choir
- Concert Choir
- Opera Workshop Ensemble
- Symphonic Choir
- The Singing Statesmen
- Women's Chorus
- Women's Concert Chorale

Orchestra

- Chamber Orchestra
- University Symphony Orchestra

Bands

- Blugold Athletic Band
- Blugold Marching Band
- Jazz Ensembles I, II, III and IV
- Symphony Band
- University Band
- Wind Symphony

Chamber ensembles

- Contemporary Music Ensemble
- Jazz Combos
- Mixed Wind Chamber Groups
- Piano Ensemble
- Percussion Ensemble
- String Quartets
- Studio Ensembles

Theatre arts + dance

In the spotlight

- Access to new, state-of-the-art venue
- Four major theatre productions per year, including operas and musicals
- New Playwrights Festival
- Opera/musical theatre workshop and touring theatre
- Theatre for Young Audiences touring production
- Student choreography showcase
- Student-directed Short Play festivals

Pablo Center at the Confluence

This new, state-of-the-art venue is not only host to visiting shows, but is home to the theatre department. Students are redefining creative boundaries in the largest flexible studio theater in the Midwest — one of the top 5 in the nation, comparable to the Goodman Theatre in Chicago and Nikos Stage at Williams College. Blugolds studying theatre arts have access to multiple classrooms, two theater spaces, a dedicated costume shop, scene shop, recording studio and a light, sound and video projection lab.

High-impact practices (HIPs)

- **Light, sound and video projection lab** — UW-Eau Claire offers the nation's sole undergraduate-only theatre program with a light, sound and video projection lab like the one in the Pablo Center — meaning Blugolds are getting practical experience sooner than others in this field. Students in the lighting program gain experience operating the lighting treatments of the Haymarket Landing pedestrian bridge, Grand Avenue bridge, Phoenix Park bridge as well as the Pablo Center plaza's dancing fountains.
- **Costume and scene shops** — Theatre arts students have access to a dedicated costume, millinery and wig instruction space plus private fitting rooms, costume-distressing rooms and a dye vat for custom fabric dyeing. The scene shop is one of the largest in a performing arts center in the Midwest. Students also have access to an internal paint booth and cutting-edge technology and tools.
- **Recording studio** — Studio 1033 is the only Focusrite RedNet recording studio in Wisconsin. As part of the music program, UW-Eau Claire offers a recording arts certificate program.

About Pablo Center at the Confluence

The Pablo Center is a beautiful, three-story, 142,000-square-foot arts center located at the confluence of the Eau Claire and Chippewa rivers. The building was designed to pay homage to the history and culture of Eau Claire and the Chippewa Valley. In addition to the theatre department, the Pablo Center is home to Visit Eau Claire and local regional arts groups.

Impress us with your talents!

Auditions for music majors/minors and musical theatre majors:

Auditions for students majoring or minoring in music are held during the fall and spring semesters of their high school senior year.

Auditions for non-music majors:

Vocal: Auditions are held during new student orientation in June.

Instrumental: Auditions are conducted every semester during the first week of classes, and audition materials are available from each applied faculty member.

Blugold Marching Band: Application and audition information can be found on blugoldmarchingband.com.

If you have additional questions regarding auditions, contact the music and theatre arts department.

Learn more:
uwec.ly/musictheatre

