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Dr. Fabiola Varela-García, associate professor of languages and Latin American and Latinx studies, had her peer-reviewed article “El español de los Estados Unidos:la velarización de la
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**Dr. Lauren Wentz**, associate professor of biology at UW–Eau Claire – Barron County, led the 32-hour Wisconsin Municipal Solid Waste Combustor Operator Training course from June 6-10. The course is required by state and federal regulations for individuals seeking certification as incinerator operators. Participants represented facilities including the Barron County Waste-to-Energy Plant, Xcel Energy’s French Island plant, the USGS Wildlife Research Center and University Hospitals in Madison, along with several individuals seeking renewal of their operator certifications. Course topics included a review of relevant environmental laws, management of municipal solid waste, emissions standards and plant operations.

**Dr. Linda Young**, dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences for more than a decade, has retired, effective June 30. Young was dean from August 2011 until January 2022, when she took an administrative sabbatical as dean to focus on statewide leadership on the topic of nursing advocacy and to continue her research on nurse retention. Young came to UW–Eau Claire from the Milwaukee School of Engineering, where she was a professor of nursing.

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- Congratulations to **Joanne Huse**, HR coordinator in Human Resources, on receiving the University Staff Council Employee Appreciation Committee’s “Thank a Blugold!” prize for June. She was nominated by **Samantha Pearson**, budget manager in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. The Employee Appreciation Committee draws the name of one university staff member each month. This staff member receives special recognition, including a prize package donated by local businesses and organizations. University staff members are eligible for the prize drawing for one year from the date of their nomination.

Submit award/achievement item

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In the news
Dr. José Felipe Alvergue, associate professor of English, was featured in the June 30 Volume One article “Questioning the Locals: José Felipe Alvergue.”

Dan Hofmeister, a 2006 philosophy and business administration graduate who earned his MBA in 2016, was featured in the June 29 WEAU-TV story “Jenny Craig appoints Dan Hofmeister as chief marketing officer.”

Dr. Mary Beth Leibham, professor of psychology, was quoted in the June 30 Chronicle of Higher Education article “Teaching: Staying Flexible Without Becoming Overwhelmed.”

Eric Lindquist, a 1983 journalism and political science graduate, was featured in the June 23 Eau Claire Leader-Telegram story “Sawdust Stories: Reporter leaves legacy in our stories,” which was written by B.J. Hollars, associate professor of English. Gary Johnson, content manager in Integrated Marketing and Communications, was quoted in the story. Lindquist also wrote the June 30 Eau Claire Leader-Telegram story “Reporter: Thanks for sharing your stories” and was featured in the July 5 WQOW-TV story “Lindquist retires after 40 years at the Leader-Telegram.”

Michael Perry, a 1987 nursing graduate, had his new book featured in the June 30 Volume One article “NY Times bestseller Mike Perry releases new work.”

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Kaitlyn Zenner, a May Spanish and psychology graduate and a UW-Eau Claire ECLIPSE AmeriCorps member, was featured on Serve Wisconsin’s June 27 “The S-Files” podcast “Building Early Literacy with ECLIPSE.”

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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.
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Dr. Justin Patchin, professor of criminal justice and co-founder/co-director of the Cyberbullying Research Center, was quoted in the July 7 WTOP News/U.S. News & World Report article “What to know about cyberbullying.”

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The Risk Management, Safety and Sustainability department has created a new process for requesting the removal of hazardous waste. The new e-form is available through Bp Logix and must be used to request hazardous waste removal services. See all the details [here](#).

**Mail Services tips on Amazon orders to campus**
Are you ordering from Amazon to deliver to UW-Eau Claire? If so, please use the following address format:

- **UW-Eau Claire**
- Attn: Your name and department
- 651 University Ave.
- Eau Claire, WI 54701

Packages have been delivered and dropped off at unattended areas by delivery drivers. Please help prevent package loss by addressing them correctly. Questions? Email [Mail Services](#) or call 715-836-5489.

**Recreation and Sport Operations summer programs continue**
- **EAC ropes course is open.** UW-Eau Claire’s Environmental Adventure Center has opened the [Eagle’s View Challenge Ropes Course](#) to university and community members this summer. Individuals and families are welcome to reserve a two-hour time slot on Saturdays throughout the summer. [Follow this link](#) to reserve your spot or call 715-836-3616 for more information. See the [June 22 WEAU-TV segment](#) featuring Al Wiberg, assistant director of sport facilities, on the ropes course.

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Professional development for all faculty and staff
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July offerings
Faculty and staff can view and register for all UW-Eau Claire offerings through the workshops website.
- Personal development podcast: Thursday, July 21: **Build Your Career with 5 Keys of Emotional Intelligence** (air date: Sept. 2, 2021).

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.
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Dr. Silviana Amethyst, assistant professor of mathematics, gave a lightning talk, titled “My Toys,” at the Spec(Q-bar) math conference July 6 at the Fields Institute in Toronto. She
discussed the techniques and tools she uses to produce her 3D-printed mathematical artwork and shared some of her small snap-together art at the conference.

**Dr. Dorothy Chan**, assistant professor of English, will have her fourth poetry book, “Return of the Chinese Femme,” published by Deep Vellum Books in fall 2023 or spring 2024. This book was a finalist for both the Saturnalia Books Poetry Prize and the Saturnalia Alma Book Awards.

**Dr. Rahul Gomes**, assistant professor of computer science, co-authored a review paper, titled “Cybersecurity Threats and Their Mitigation Approaches Using Machine Learning — A Review,” which was published in the *Journal of Cybersecurity and Privacy*, 2022, 2(3), 527-555.

**Dr. Theresa D. Kemp**, professor of critical studies in English, is one of 51 educators to receive funding from a new grant program launched by online learning platform Course Hero. Kemp’s project focuses on improving digital literacy instruction in the Blugold Seminar by having students make more intentional choices of digital media to create their final projects.

**Dr. Kaishan Kong**, associate professor of Chinese in the languages department, is completing her Fulbright Scholar program in Malaysia this summer. At the recent Fulbright Malaysia’s Summer Soirée event, Kong met Brian McFeeters, the U.S. ambassador to Malaysia, and spoke with him about UW-Eau Claire. Kong also was selected as one of three U.S. Fulbright Scholars to present at a panel discussion during the event, where she shared her research interests, her experiences in Malaysia and her plan to disseminate her learning upon return to the U.S. View photos from the event on the [U.S. Embassy Kuala Lumpur flickr page](https://www.flickr.com/photos/usembassykl/sets/72157694531289722).

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In the news

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**Dr. Crispin Pierce**, professor of public health and environmental studies, had his research mentioned in the July 19 Civil Eats article “From farmland to frac sand.”

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Sponsor a care package for a first-year student

The Campus Ambassadors lead an annual fundraiser, creating and delivering welcome kits (a bin full of snacks) to Blugold students in the residence halls at the start of the fall semester. If you’re interested in sponsoring one or more welcome kits to be delivered to students, you may order a welcome kit online or send a cash/check payment of $25 per welcome kit to Sarah Tweedale at Welcome Center 215. Reach out to Maggie Meyers at hallmm@uwec.edu for any other questions. Thank you for helping support the Campus Ambassadors’ fundraiser and for sending a special gift to help show students they belong here at UW-Eau Claire!

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**Leslie Huntington**, head softball coach, presented “The Conversation Around ‘Mental Toughness’ in Recruiting and Retention” at the National Collegiate Recruiting Conference, held July 18-20 in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

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**Dr. Nora Mitchell**, assistant professor of biology, is the lead author on the article “Hybrid Evolution Repeats Itself Across Environmental Contexts in Texas Sunflowers (*Helianthus*),” which was published in the July issue of the journal *Evolution*, Vol. 76, Issue 7, pages 1512-1528.

**Dr. John R. Stewart**, director of concert bands and associate professor of music, presented “Programming for the 21st Century Band Conductor: A Need for Diversity” at the 19th biannual *World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles International Conference* July 22 in Prague, Czech Republic.

In the news

**Dr. Riley McGrath**, director of Counseling Services, was quoted in the July 21 WEAU-TV story “Counselors are happy about the new suicide hotline.”

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