The Local Blugold Scholarship has been designed to reward high-achieving students from the local area (defined as a 30-mile radius from UW-Eau Claire). It’s also an opportunity to recruit, retain and reward local students who may have otherwise overlooked UW-Eau Claire — a great university in their backyard.

Eligibility criteria details
To be eligible for the Local Blugold Scholarship, incoming freshman students must have an ACT of 25 or greater (or SAT equivalent) and be in the top 25 percent of their high school class (or have a 3.5 GPA if their high school class is unranked) at the point of admission to UW-Eau Claire. Eligible students must graduate from one of the high schools listed below, which are located within a 30-mile radius of UW-Eau Claire. Home-schooled students who live within a 30-mile radius of campus should contact the Admissions Office (contact information at right) to discuss eligibility.

The Local Blugold Scholarship is an automatic award of $6,000 ($1,500 a year, renewable for up to an additional three years for students who maintain a 3.25 total college GPA at the end of each academic year). This scholarship is superseded by the National Merit Scholarship and Diversity Scholars Awards.

Process
Incoming freshmen must meet the Local Blugold Scholarship eligibility criteria at the point of admission. No application is required to receive this scholarship; the Admissions Office will select and notify students of awards shortly after acceptance.

Contact information
Have questions? Contact Danielle Widmer, assistant director of admissions, at widmerds@uwec.edu or 715-836-5409.

Eligible high schools
Altoona High School
Augusta High School
Bethel Christian High School
Bloomer High School
Boyceville High School
Cadott High School
Chippewa Falls High School
Colfax High School
Cornell High School
Durand High School
Eleva-Strum High School
Elk Mound High School
Eternity Learning Center
Faith Christian Academy
Fall Creek High School
Gilmanton High School
Immanuel Baptist Church School
Immanuel Lutheran High School
Independence High School
Liberty Christian High School
McDonell Central Catholic High School
McKinley Charter High School
Memorial (Eau Claire) High School
Menomonie High School
Mondovi High School
New Auburn High School
North (Eau Claire) High School
Osseo-Fairchild High School
Regis High School
Stanley-Boyd High School
Whitehall High School

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