

Dear Blugold graduates,

Congratulations! Today we celebrate an achievement for which you've worked long and hard: You've earned your UW-Eau Claire degree!

Not a day goes by that I am not amazed by your many talents and successes both in and outside the classroom. I have had the pleasure of meeting many of you, and in our conversations I have been inspired by your goals for the future — goals for success in your chosen careers and aspirations to make a difference in the communities you will call home in the years to come.

You can look to the future knowing there is real value in your UW-Eau Claire degree. In its 2018 "Best Colleges for Your Money" list, MONEY ranks UW-Eau Claire asone of the top two public regional universities in Wisconsin and Minnesota for educational quality, affordability and alumni success. Furthermore, according to the 2019 Educate to Career College Rankings Index, UW-Eau Claire ranks among the top 12 percent in the nation for added value in terms of graduate employability and earnings, and we are one of only two UW System public regionals on the Forbes America's Best Value Colleges list.

Also know that as you leave this great university, you join the ranks of our more than 90,000 Blugold alumni making a difference the world over through their contributions in their workplaces and communities. Just look at the shining examples provided by our alumni award recipients being honored here today. The world will be a better place because of your skills and wisdom, entrepreneurship and integrity of spirit, strong work ethic and inspiring creativity — all hallmarks of your UW-Eau Claire degree.

As we say in our mission statement (proudly printed on this page), UW-Eau Claire provides a "transformative liberal education." I challenge you to audaciously pursue your goals, knowing that your UW-Eau Claire degree has prepared you for all you aspire to achieve. And most of all, I wish you joy on your journey.

With all best wishes for a bright Blugold future,

James C. Schmidt | Chancellor University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Mission Statement of the University

We foster in one another creativity, critical insight, empathy and intellectual courage, the hallmarks of a transformative liberal education and the foundation for active citizenship and lifelong inquiry.

Commencement Program

December 21, 2019	James C. Schmidt, Chancellor, Presiding
9 a.m.	College of Arts and Sciences College of Nursing and Health Sciences
2 p.m.	College of Business College of Education and Human Sciences
Prelude by UW-Eau Claire Faculty Brass Quintet	Mike Alexander, horn Robert Baca, trumpet Jacob Grewe, tuba Matthew Mealey, trumpet Phil Ostrander, trombone
Greetings	Evan Weiher, Commencement Marshal, Chair, University Senate
Processional	Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1 (Land of Hope and Glory) by Sir Edward Elgar Please rise and remain standing through the National Anthem.
National Anthem	The Star-Spangled Banner by John Stafford Smith Led by Eliza Morris, Bachelor of Music, Applied Voice Choral (morning) Led by Cally O'Leary, Bachelor of Music Education, Choral (afternoon)
Welcome and Introductions	Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor
Introducing Members of the Platform Party	James C. Schmidt, Chancellor Warren Anderson, Vice Chancellor for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion & Student Affairs Albert Colom, Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management John Haven, Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Michael Carney, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Darrell Newton, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Dean of Graduate Studies Brewer Doran, Dean, College of Business Rodd Freitag, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences Carmen Manning, Dean, College of Education and Human Sciences Linda Young, Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences Debra Jansen, Associate Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences (morning) Margaret Cassidy, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences (morning Jill Prushiek, Associate Dean, College of Education and Human Sciences (afternoon) Jean Pratt, Associate Dean, College of Business (afternoon) Evan Weiher, Commencement Marshal, Chair, University Senate

ongratulatory Remarks	James C. Schmidt, Chancellor
Introduction of Alumni Award Recipients	Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs See pages 19-22 for background on the award recipients.
Charge to the Class	Beatris Mendez Gandica, Security Tooling Program Manager, Microsoft Corporation
Presentation of Master's Candidates	Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Conferral of Master's Degrees	James C. Schmidt, Chancellor
Presentation of ccalaureate Candidates	Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Conferral of Baccalaureate Degrees	James C. Schmidt, Chancellor
Blugold Reflections	Seth Reinhard, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science (morning) - "Always Say Thank You" Hannah Metry, Bachelor of Arts, English, Teaching (afternoon) - "The Next Big Something"
University Alma Mater	Led by Carlos Rojo, Bachelor of Art, Music (morning) Led by Nicole Bergquist, Bachelor of Music Education, Choral (afternoon) Please rise and join in singing. Words and music are printed at end of program.
Recessional	Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1 (Land of Hope and Glory) by Sir Edward Elgar Triumphal March from "Aida" by Giuseppe Verdi
	You are welcome to move from your seat as soon as the platform party, faculty and graduates have exited the arena.
Photographs	A professional photograph will be taken of all graduates as they receive their diplomas. In order to reset the arena for the next event, there will be no photo opportunities in Zorn Arena following the ceremony.
Reception	The chancellor, faculty and members of the graduating class cordially invite all guests to a reception immediately following the ceremony in the Marketplace on the first floor of the W.R. Davies Student Center.



Candidates for Degrees

Graduation with distinction is being conferred on those graduates who have an outstanding scholastic record. They are identified by gold cords and recognized in the program as follows: *cum laude (grade-point average of at least 3.2), **magna cum laude (GPA of at least 3.5) and ***summa cum laude (GPA of at least 3.8). Graduates receiving departmental honors are identified by the symbol †. The recognition of graduates receiving University Honors is noted under the student's name. Graduates receiving University Honors are identified by a gold ribbon and medal. Baccalaureate candidates who are members of scholastic honor societies are identified by silver cords. See Page 16 for the key listing UW-Eau Claire's degree interpretations.

College of Arts and Sciences

SPECIALIST DEGREES

Matthew Emmett Mitchell Chippewa Falls

Ed.S., School Psychology M.S.E., 2013, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire B.A., 2011, Macalester College Program Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing Thesis: Academic Screening in Middle School: How well do AIMSweb Measures of Oral Reading Fluency and NWFA Measures of Academic Progress Predict Future Performance on State Exams

MASTER'S DEGREES

Kyle Stone Appel Appleton

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

M.S.E., School Psychology B.A., 2017, Luther College Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Ashlyn Kay-Marie Blaschke Fennimore

M.S.E., School Psychology B.S., 2018, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Lauren Rose Czarapata Saint Germain

M.S.E., School Psychology B.S., 2018, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Jonathan L. Davis Bothell, WA

M.S. Data Science B.S., 1997, Illinois State University Advisor: Dr. Alex Smith

Calvin James Friedenfels Junction City

M.S., Data Science B.B.A., 2008, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Advisor: Dr. Alex Smith

Salil Gupta Beachwood, OH

Advisor: Dr. Alex Smith

B.S., 2017, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay

M.S., Data Science

Adam Charles Hendel Lake Elmo, MN

M.S., Data Science B.S., 2017, University of Wisconsin-River Falls B.A., 2008, Augsburg College Advisor: Dr. Alex Smith

Allen James Kannal Brooklyn

M.A., English-Writing B.A., 2016, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Advisor: Ms. Allyson Loomis Thesis: The Baron of Bounty's End Thesis Advisor: Ms. Molly Patterson

Allison Rose Kocik Hudson

M.S.E., School Psychology B.S., 2014, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Matthew Dwan Noehring Lakeville, MN

M.S.E., School Psychology B.S., 2017, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Tianna Jeanette Olsen Cumberland

M.S.E., School Psychology B.S., 2018, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Joseph L. Saitta Centreville, VA

M.S., Data Science M.S., 2005, George Mason University B.S., 2001, George Mason University Advisor: Dr. Alex Smith

Courtney Ann Stearns Eau Claire

M.S.E., School Psychology B.S., 2018, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Adrianne Ellen Taylor Delano, MN

M.S.E., School Psychology

B.A., 2018, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Marissa Joline Warren Watkins, MN

M.S.E., School Psychology

B.S., 2017, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay Advisor: Dr. Mary Beth Tusing

Jonathan D. Wood Waukesha

M.S., Data Science

B.S., 2013, Moody Bible Institute

Antonio Aloysius Raymundo Yamzon Philippines

M.S., Data Science

B.S., 2015, De La Salle University Advisor: Dr. Alex Smith

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Amy Lynn Aakhus ** Maple Grove, MN University Honors B.S., Biochemistry / Molecular Biology

Anna Elizabeth Accola * Mondovi

Joseph Coleman Albert Crystal, MN

Brianna Marie Anderson * Wisconsin Rapids B A Psychology

Chase Dale Anderson * Eau Claire B.A., Sociology and Communication Eric Wayne Anderson Burlington

B.S., Mathematics

Evan Joseph Andor

B.S., Women's Studies

Sophia Marie Annis

BA Latin American Studies

Rvan Matthew Baemmert ** Kiel

University Honors

B.S., Computer Science

Mazlam Baftiri ** Beloit

B.S., Computer Science

Kaitlyn Jean Baker Menomonie

B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

Lewis Balom Chicago, IL

B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

Jenna Rae Balsiger ** Portage B.A., Political Science

Alleah Irene Baltzer Rogers, MN B.S. Neuroscience

Natalie Morgan Barry *** Manitowoc

University Honors B.S., Chemistry

Nathan Thomas Barta * Madison

BS, Biology and Chemistry

Olivia Kathryn Bautch Eau Claire

Manvel Beaver Dresser B.S., Mathematics

Sara Lvnn Beekman Suamico B.S., Integrated Strategic Communication

Cheyenne Marie Behling West Allis B.A., Psychology

Logan Jaymes Bergevin ** Ramsey, MN B.S., Geography

Jacob Alexander Bernhardt Platteville B.S., Biology

Hannah Rose Bettack *** Kiel

BS Mathematics

Claire Elizabeth Bicknell ** Baraboo B.S., Integrated Strategic Communication

Samson P. Blesi

B.S.E.P.H., Environmental Public Health

Olivia Carmen Bloch ** Shiocton

B.S., Communication

Jordyn Beth Bowker Rice Lake B.A., Psychology

Shane Rav Brandl * Auburndale B.S., Computer Science

Jacob Michael Brant Pulaski

B.A. Criminal Justice

Rachael Marie Brinker Holdingford, MN B.A., Criminal Justice

Lauren Brooks * Elko New Market, MN

Bridget Ann Brownell ** Eau Claire

B.S., Criminal Justice

B.A., Political Science and Spanish

Isaac Douglas Burchby ** Appleton B.S., Mathematics

Nicholas Andrew Bures Deerbrook B.S., Political Science

Weston Charles Busch ** Eau Claire B.S., Computer Science

Evren Alan Can * Brooklyn Park, MN B.S., Computer Science

Killean Liquori Carter * Wisconsin Rapids B.S., Psychology

Elise Catherine Chapin ** Eau Claire University Honors B.S., Economics and Spanish

Sarah Jean Chojnacki Plainfield B.A., Women's Studies

Katie Rose Christian ** Fond du Lac

Lily Li Nee Chua *** Malaysia B.S., Mathematics and Computer Science

Zi Shin Chua *** Malaysia B.S., Computer Science

Alyssa Kay Clayton Oconomowoc B.S., Psychology

Adara Carol Coker *** Rochester, MN B.S., Biology

Andrew Douglas Collins Oakdale, MN B.S., Computer Science

Nathan Samuel Cooksey Hudson B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

Kyra Lynn Coppinger ** Waukesha **University Honors** B.S., Biology

Rvan M Cushman Eau Claire

Vincent Robert D'agostini B.A., Criminal Justice

Jacob Sawyer Dawson *** Eau Claire B.S., Computer Science

Logan William Dawson ** Eau Claire B.S., Biochemistry / Molecular Biology

Elijah Paul Delp Northfield, MN B.S. Computer Science

Shania Jane Deutz * Marshall, MN B.A., Communication

Holly Margaret DiNovo Hayward

Lauren Elena Diol Hubertus B.S., Computer Science

Iris Mackenzie Dishno * Rio B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

Timothy Daniel Doornek Mukwonago B.S., Computer Science

Hailey M Dowiasch Coon Valley B.A., Psychology

Lindsey Grace Drachenberg *** Arena B.S., Psvchology Elliot Francis Draxler ** Eau Claire

B.S., Geology Emma Tao Dreist ** Waterford

RS Computer Science Makena June Easker *** Mondovi

University Honors

B.S., Psychology Jasmine Roshae Edge ** Grand Meadow, MN

B.A., Psychology Cole Thomas Edgell Vadnais Heights, MN

B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication Marie Ehlers Rudolph

B.A., Communication **Spencer Robert Erdman** Pleasant Prairie B.A., Political Science

Ana Marie Bravo Erickson * Roberts B.A., Psychology

Sarah Margaret Ericson ** Maple Grove, MN **University Honors** B.S., Computer Science

Emma Lynn Fischer ** Lakeland, MN

Kennedy Elizabeth Fitzgerald Wabasha, MN BLS Liberal Studies

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Jenifer Elizabeth Fitzsimmons * La Crosse

BS Criminal Justice

Isaac Alan Flath Kronenwetter B.S., Integrated Strategic Communication

Brett David Flugstad Bloomington, MN

B.S., Integrated Strategic Communication

Issa James Fofana Hudson B.S., Psychology

Sheila Rose Foley * Oakdale, MN B.S., Computer Science

Nolan Forehand ** Algoma B.S., Computer Science

Payton Sherald Foy Andover, MN B.S., Mathematics

Kyle L France * Eau Claire B.S., Computer Science

Aaron Matthew Fredricks Janesville

BS Biology Alexander James Freuler Brown Deer

B.A. Criminal Justice Ashlea Marie Gebhard Woodman

B.A., Psychology Deidra Mae Gibson * Eau Claire B.A., French

Trevor Samuel Griffin Naperville, IL B.S., Art

Evan Michael Gunseor * Wausau

Josiah Eugene Gutzmer ** Pine Island, MN

Katlin Marie Hahn ** Marion

University Honors

B.A., Geography

B.A., Psychology James Albert Halverson Cedar Rapids, IA

B.A., Political Science Haileigh Anne Hanson Barron

B.L.S., Liberal Studies Paige Taylor Hanson Rosemount, MN

Monica Donnellan Hart Eau Claire B.A., Communication

Natalie Marie Haus Cold Spring, MN B.S., Psychology

Keelie Lipton Heck Green Bay Derrick Lee Henrichs * Oregon

Karen Chao Her * Wausau

B.A., Communication Jennifer Marie Herman Middleton

John Anthony Hofstede IV Rockford, MN B.A., Political Science

Joshua David Hogan * Farmington, MN B.A., Political Science and History Nicole Mary Holewinski Eau Claire

B.A., Psychology Nathan Walter Hopp Green Bay

B.A., Fnalish Nicholas Karl Hoven Winona, MN

Jiachen Hu China B.S., Biology

JingWen Huang China B.A., English

Laura E Hubley * Appleton

B.L.S., Liberal Studies

Alexander James Huddock Webster, MN B.S., Geography

Bailee Kay Hyde ** Medina, MN

B.S., Biology

Lydia May Bear Ishmael * Spring Green

D.A., ATL

Tess Petra Isola La Crosse B.A., Sociology

Kirsten Leigh Jacobson ** Chanhassen, MN B.A. Spanish

Julia Marlys Jehn *** Mondovi

B.S., Biology

Ahren Jensch * Woodruff B.S., Physics

Kennedy Shannon Johannsen Eau Claire BS Mathematics

Callie Christine Johnshoy Cambridge, MN B.A., Communication

Kalle Kristiana Johnson Burlington

B.S., Biology

William Henry Johnson ** Waunakee *University Honors*

B.S., Computer Science

Erica Lynn Jones *** Beloit

University Honors B.A., Journalism

Lynsie Grace Jones ** Altoona

B.S., Psychology

Connor Jonathan Justice Rhinelander B.S., Geology

Alexis Joyce Kabasa Ashland

B.A., Criminal Justice

Josephine Christine Kajer Eau Claire B.S., Chemistry and Spanish

Marcus Christian Kamrath *** Eau Claire B.S. Mathematics

McKenzie Lynn Katzmark Saint Croix Falls

B.A. Criminal Justice

B.A., Criminal Justice

Eleanor Eve Kernkamp *** Eau Claire B.A., English

Brennan Zachary Kessler Glenwood City B.S., Biology

Jacob Robert Keuler Sun Prairie B.A., Psychology

Jared James Kiander ** Tomahawk

B.S.E.P.H., Environmental Public Health

Jessica Hannah King ** Stoddard

University Honors B.S., Biology

Maryssa Lynne Kinney Eau Galle

B.S., Psychology

Cameron David Kissinger * Wausau B.S., Biology

Paul David Kittleson Saint Paul, MN B.S., Computer Science

Sierra Ashley Kleist ** Portage

University Honors

B.S., Biology

Callie Jean Koleske ** Bloomington, MN B.S., Communication

Zachary John Kosel ** Cambridge, MN *University Honors*

B.S., Geography

Natasha Louise Krizan ** Arden Hills, MN B.S., Sociology

Elaine Marie Kruswicki * Whitehall B.A., Psychology

Taydem Elizabeth Kryszyn Homewood, IL B.A., English

Annika Lindberg Kueng Champlin, MN BS Riology

Alexandra Ceretto Kurutz Waukesha B.S.E.P.H., Environmental Public Health

Lindsay Reimann Kuss Chaska, MN B.S., Psychology

Brendan Gerald Kwick * Eau Claire

Jeremy Tyler Lamb * Chippewa Falls

Lia Evelyn Landowski * Eau Claire B.S., Biology

Lauren Nicole Lannigan Aniwa B.A., Psychology

Nevada Kay Lapointe *** Elk Mound

Shawn Kennen Larson Hillsdale

Chai Lee La Crosse B.A., Criminal Justice

Taylor Lynn Limberg Owatonna, MN

Dana Marie Lind *

B.S., Geography

B.S., Biology

Bjorn George Lindstedt Eau Claire B.S., Biology

Kola CH Loh **† Malaysia B S Mathematics

Sarah Grace Mackowski * Shorewood

Matthew James Mangin Brillion B.S., Geography

Elizabeth Kay Mansour Neillsville B.A., Criminal Justice

Maxwell Thomas Manz ** Grafton B.A., Criminal Justice and Psychology

Kari Rose Martinka ** Lindstrom, MN

B.A., Criminal Justice

Jenna Leigh Matthias Waukesha

B.A., Communication and Theatre Arts

Patrick Michael McCaughin Satellite Beach, FL B.S., Physics

Caitlin Maureen McGarvey Schofield B.A., English

Thu Ánh Nguyệt Simone McKenzie *** Madison

University Honors B.S., Biology

Ellie Marissa Meisinger Rosemount, MN B.A., English and Spanish

Joshua Stewart Merrell Chippewa Falls B.S., Chemistry with Business Emphasis

Bryce Richard Mohr *** Sparta *University Honors*

B.A., Communication

Kirsten Rose Morgan ** Eau Claire B.S., Mathematics and Spanish

Mark Morgan Wausau B.A., Economics

Eliza Emmaline Morris ** Ripon B.M., Music

Molly Patricia Morsching Maplewood, MN

B.A., Psychology

La Moua Centerville, MN B.A., Psychology

Zoua Moua Eau Claire B.A., Psychology

Amber Alexis Mutka Tomah B.S., Biology and Spanish

Gavin Thomas Nardi *** Oak Creek

University Honors

Madison Debrajean Narges Pulaski

B.L.S., Liberal Studies

Dakotah Amanda Naser-Stellar Chippewa Falls B.A. History

Jack William Nelson Chippewa Falls

B.S., Computer Science

Mackenzie Mia Nelson ** Cadott

B.S., Psychology

B.A., English

Amanda Elizabeth Neumann ** Loretto, MN B.A., Communication

Dakota Bay Neve Portage B.S. Psychology

Morgan Elizabeth Offerdahl Minneapolis, MN

Kayla Marie Olsen ** Elk River, MN

Erika Margret Olson Waterville, MN

B.S., Biology

Emily Linnea Onken ** New Brighton, MN

B.S., Biology **Kelly Ann Opie *** Hartland

B.S., Biology

Mikayla Mae Otto Eau Claire B.S., Biology

Alyssa Catherine Pake ** Bloomer B.A., Communication

Sarveshwar K. Patel Bloomer
B.S. Computer Science

Elizabeth Mae Paul *** Wausau B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

Logan Michael Pauly * Wind Lake B.S., Mathematics

Cole Arthur Perkins Berkeley, CA

B.S., Geography

Alana Marie Petz *** Arcadia

Adam Cecil Phillips Lodi

B.A., Criminal Justice

B.A., Criminal Justice

Grace Irene Pierstorff Middleton

B.S., Biology

Connor Thomas Pietrzak Sherwood

Zachary Frank Pothen * Forest Lake, MN

Riley Clarke Pretat * Mequon B.A., Geography

B.S., Computer Science

B.A., Political Science

Kaitlyn Noel Primeau * Oakfield

John David Purdy Wauwatosa B.A., History

Melany Elizabeth Puser *** Neenah *University Honors*

B.S., Chemistry **Xing Qian** China
B.S., Computer Science

Luke Pasquale Quaranta * Eau Claire

B.S., Computer Science

Morgan Yasmin Quinn * Monroe B.S., Biology

Caitlin Grace Rademacher * Oakdale, MN B.A., Psychology

Austin Joseph Ramcheck Neenah B.S., Geospatial Analysis and Technology

Phillip Christopher Randles Jr ** Holmen B.A., American Indian Studies

Wendy Ann Rannenberg Superior B.P.S., Organizational Leadership and Communication

Brooke Elise Rastenis ** Crystal Lake, IL B.A. English

Gabrielle Ann Rave Black River Falls B.A. Women's

Madison Grace Redding * Madison B.A., Spanish and Latin American Studies

Emma Louise Reed ** Fort Atkinson

Gretchen Brandt Reese Minneapolis, MN B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

Eric Raymond Reetz *** Fall Creek
University Honors

B.S., Biology

Savannah Jo Reeves Wisconsin Rapids

Weston Dale Reffke Kaukauna B.S., Chemistry with Business Emphasis

Nicholas Ross Reid *** Chippewa Falls B.S., Materials Science and Physics

B.A., Political Science

Reva Ann Rekowski * Plover

B.A., Psychology **Allan Kenneth Richardson** Osseo

Seth Jared Reinhard ** Manitowoc

B.A., History **Brittany Caitlyn Rickey** Eau Claire

Thomas Donald Rocque Chippewa Falls B.A. Political Science

Jenna Lynn Rodriguez Woodbury, MN B.A., Psychology Olivia Renee Roehl * Little Chute

B.S., Psychology **Elysia Roemer** Circle Pines, MN

B.A., Psychology

Abigail Kristine Roeser * Cottage Grove, MN
B.S., Criminal Justice

Carlos Esteban Rojo Saint Francis B.A., Music

Mikayla Marie Rolling * Waseca, MN

Caroline Lauren Saksefski New Berlin B.A., History and Geography

Matthew John Sam ** Arkansaw

B.S., History **Heather Christine Sawchuk *** Roseville, MN

B.L.S., Liberal Studies

Alexander Lawrence Schauer Eleva
B.S., Physics

Claire Louise Schecklman * Marshfield B.S., Psychology

Kevin Thomas Scherer ***† Muskego B.S., Actuarial Science

Abigail Jean Schmidt * Hudson B.A., Psychology

Colten Kenneth Schmidt *** Rice Lake B.A., Psychology

Samuel Grant Schneider Houston, MN B.S., Geospatial Analysis and Technology

Jacob James Schuelke ** Rosemount, MN B.S., Psychology

Alicia Lynn Schwahn *
B.S.. Sociology

Abigail Nichole Schwichtenberg *** Eau Claire B.S., Physics

Raja Raman Selvarajan Malaysia B.S., Biology

Lucas Lee Semb Sussex B.A. Journalism

Louis Charles Settie Jr. Barron B.S., Biology

Jennifer R Shearer * Sheldon
B.P.S., Organizational Leadership and Communication

Zhichao Shi China B.S., Computer Science

Lauren Marie Siegesmund *** Germantown *University Honors*

B.A., Criminal Justice and Psychology **Krystal Rose Smith** Green Bay

B.A., Psychology

Matthew James Smith Roseville, MN B.S., Mathematics

Michaela Elizabeth Smith Hobart

B.A., Psychology

John Andrew Snyder * Shoreview, MN
B.S., Computer Science

Edward James Sobottka *** Knapp B.A., Psychology Madeline Lucille Soler * Lino Lakes, MN

B.S., Biology **Allison Marie Strasburg** Janesville

Andrew Bradley Strauch ** Lakeville, MN B.S., Computer Science

B.A., Latin American Studies

Nevada Sweitzer * Chippewa Falls
B.A., Criminal Justice and Economics

Laney Jean Sullivan Sparta

Ryan David Swenson ** Jim Falls B.S., Biology

Spencer Lee Tan * Altoona

B.S., Computer Science

Cody Steven Taylor ** Pewaukee

B.S., Criminal Justice

Jacey Linda Teal ** Tomahawk

Jalen Jeffrey Thomas Flossmoor, IL B.L.S., Liberal Studies Katelyn Alyson Tincher Antigo

B.S.E.P.H., Environmental Public Health

Jacob Milligan Toffler Minneapolis, MN

Holly Marie Turnbull ** Hayward B.A., Psychology

Bayli Ellen Vacho ** Colfax B.S., Biology Jana Elaine Valdez Tomah

B.A., Communication

B.S., Psychology

Hope Vandenhouten * Mishicot B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

Chee lab Vang Stevens Point B.S., Chemistry

Nancy Nou Vang Eau Claire

B.L.S., Liberal Studies

Pa Vang

Michael James Wagner *
B.S.E.P.H., Environmental Public Health

Ashley Nichole Walker * Greenwood B.S., Psychology

Sunita Blaire Walker Edina, MN B.A., Psychology

Whitney Leigh Walker Edina, MN B.S., Geography

Lauren Jayne Wallo * Eau Claire B A Art

Tyler William Wanek Blue River B.A., English

Brandon Andrew Welbes *** Athens B.S., Computer Science

Andrea Jordan Wendt * Muskego B.A., Psychology

Michael Joseph Wenzel Mount Horeb B.S., Chemistry

Nolan Robert White Ringle B.S., Biology Reed Carter White * Madison

B.A., Political Science and English

Mackenzie Kylie Whitmer Burlington, IL
B.S., Chemistry

Courtney Marie Wiemer Chippewa Falls B.A., Criminal Justice Nathaniel Brian Wiley New Holstein

Ryan Jamison Willgohs Cloquet, MN B.S., Geology

B.S., Biochemistry / Molecular Biology **Ashley Rose Wiswell *** Watertown, MN

Murphi Theresa Williams **† Monticello, MN

B.A., Communication and German **Kassidy Bernadien Wolfe** Stevens Point

Ryanne Katherine Wolfe * Weston B.A., Criminal Justice and Spanish

Foong Min Wong ***† Malaysia

B.S., Computer Science and Mathematics and Economics

Mai Nhia Xiong

B.S., Chemistry

B.S., Biology

B.A., Criminal Justice

B.A., English

Mai Xeng Xiong Eau Claire

B.S., Sociology **Duacha Yang** Saint Paul, MN

Charouny Yang Wausau

Maikashia Yang B.S., Biology

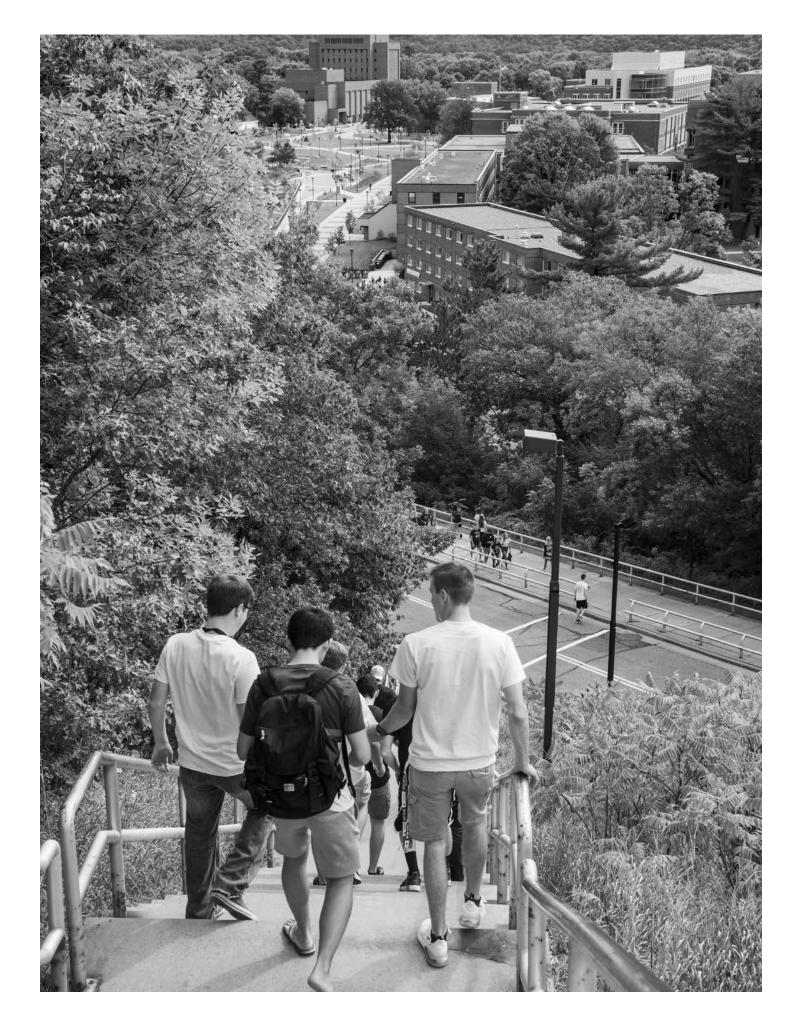
Pa Xao Mee Yang * Eau Claire B.F.A., Art

Seongwook Yang *** Korea, Republic of

B.S., Mathematics **Tess Olson Zabel** Eau Claire

B.A., English

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College of Nursing and Health Sciences

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Florence Shuri Fon Hugo, MN

D.N.P., Nursing

M.S.N., 2015, Walden University

B.S.N., 2011, Grand View University

Advisor: Dr. Debra Jansen

DNP Project: A Quality Improvement Project to Educate Providers and Clinical Staff at a Neighborhood Community Clinic on Customizing Care Plans for New Adult Immigrants Alicia Nicole Grimm Arpin

D.N.P., Nursing (Adult Gerontologic Primary Care Nurse Practitioner)

B.S.N., 2011, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

B.S., 2008, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Advisor: Dr. Robin Beeman

DNP Project: Flash Continuous Glucose Monitoring:

Primary Care Provider Education and Protocol for Referral

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Brittany Robin Marie Amborn Menomonie

Shanyn Nichole Ambrozaitis ** Rice Lake B.S.N., Nursing

Caroline Rose Anglin *** Rochester, MN B.S.N., Nursing

Katie Ruth Barber ** Hudson

B.S.N., Nursing

Maria Jean Becker ** Monticello, MN B.S.N., Nursing and Spanish

Hattie Bell Berry ** Almond

B.S.N., Nursing

Savannah Rose Berthiaume * Superior B.S.N., Nursing

Emily Ann Billingsley *** Menomonie

University Honors
B.S.N., Nursing and Spanish

Rebecca Katharine Broschard ** Eden Prairie, MN BSN Nursing

Adam Lewis Buchholtz ** Spring Valley, MN B.S.N., Nursing

Alexa Beth Collins * Spooner B.S.N., Nursing

Chelsey Renee Craig ** Phillips

Kaitlin Marie Croes ** Somerset B.S.N., Nursing

Dannielle Margaret Dachel * Colfax B.S.N., Nursing

Ryleigh Diane Dahlke * Edgar

Whitney Lee Demoe ** Colfax

Kellee Dixon ** Hudson B.S.N., Nursing

Emily Claire Dorn ** Saint Cloud, MN

B.S.N., Nursing

Andrea Nicole Dornbusch * Eau Claire B.S.N., Nursing

Nathaniel John Egeberg ** New Hope, MN B.S.N., Nursing

Amanda Jean Erickson * Black River Falls B.S.N., Nursing

Tammy Jean Felix * Edgar B.S.N., Nursing

Brett William Fullerton ** Barron B.S.N., Nursing

Mariah Lynn Gitter * Greenville B.S.N., Nursing

Jade Jo Hackbarth ** Wausau

Jensen Nicole Hagen ** Emerald B.S.N., Nursing

Elizabeth Anne Handrick *** Marathon B.S.N., Nursing

Sunshine Baoby Her ** Woodbury, MN B.S.N., Nursing

Anna Marie Herkert ** Marshfield B.S.N., Nursing

Kaleb Andrew Herman * Spencer B.S.N., Nursing

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The Honors Program provides an extra measure of challenge and enrichment for students who are academically distinguished by previous and current achievements and by high levels of motivation and curiosity. The program seeks to challenge exceptionally able students to perform at the highest level of which they are capable, to enhance their capacity for critical inquiry and independent learning, and to develop their potential for leadership in their future vocations. The Honors Program has two components: University Honors and Departmental Honors. Students may complete one or both components. Students graduating with University Honors have attained a grade-point average of at

least 3.5 and have completed at least 24 University Honors credits. Graduates receiving University Honors are identified by a gold ribbon and medal.

In addition, 32 scholastic honor societies are recognized at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. They exist primarily to recognize the attainment of scholarship of a superior quality and to confer distinction for high achievement in undergraduate, graduate and professional studies; in student leadership; and in various fields of research. Baccalaureate candidates who are members of scholastic honor societies are identified by silver cords.

ACADEMIC APPAREL

The academic apparel worn by the faculty and staff in the processional has its origins in the universities of the Middle Ages. Because the universities grew out of church schools, both faculty and students were regarded as part of the clergy and wore clerical clothing based on monastic dress.

The head covering developed from the skullcap worn to protect tonsured heads in cold weather. In the universities, the skullcap acquired a point on top, which gradually evolved into a tassel. In Europe the bonnet with tassel is still worn but has been replaced in America by the mortarboard cap or tam with tassel.

The style of the gown may have been borrowed from the Benedictine monk's habit. In the Middle Ages, those with

bachelor's and master's degrees could be distinguished by the simplicity or elaborateness of their gowns. The master's gowns were often furred, a decoration surviving as the three velvet bars now used on the sleeves of the doctoral gown.

The hood was originally worn over the head in bad weather and otherwise dropped onto the shoulders. First worn by faculty and students, the hood is now added to the apparel of those with master's, specialist in education and doctoral degrees. The color of the velvet trim on the hood indicates the scholarly field: for example, dark blue (philosophy), golden yellow (science), light blue (education), pink (music), apricot (nursing), drab (business), white (arts). The colors of the satin lining are those approved and authorized by the college or university from which the degree was earned.

UNIVERSITY MACE AND STAND

The University Mace represents the proud history and community connections of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. It was donated in 2016 in honor of the University's centennial by Dr. Susan Harrison, emerita professor of mathematics, who served for 15 years as chair of the University Senate and commencement marshall. The mace includes wood from the original Council Oak tree and Kent

State Memorial trees that was saved when the trees were replaced. It was crafted by members of the Chippewa Valley Woodturners Guild. The University Medallion at the center of the mace was Dr. Harrison's, given in recognition of her university service. The mace reminds graduates of the University's history of excellence and its many contributions to the people of the region and of Wisconsin.

Senior Class Gift

Each year, graduating seniors have an opportunity to commemorate their graduation by making a gift to the UW-Eau Claire Foundation. This semester, more than 80 seniors joined our community of alumni and donors who support UW-Eau Claire each year.

Graduating seniors were encouraged to donate to any area of the university including academic colleges and departments or the Excellence Fund to support UW-Eau Claire's overall mission. By making a senior class gift, students are able to support current and future Blugolds even after they graduate.

The UW-Eau Claire Foundation thanks the following seniors for their generosity and for participating in the Senior Class Gift campaign. Senior class gift donors can be recognized wearing Blue and Gold Spirit Cords during the commencement ceremony. The following seniors made a gift of at least \$20.18 in support of UW-Eau Claire and to commemorate their graduation year:

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Alumni Awards

Eight alumni and friends of the university are receiving awards from the UW-Eau Claire Alumni Association today, recognizing their professional and personal successes as well as their contributions to their alma mater, their communities and their professions. In these pages we introduce you to these distinguished Blugolds as they share their best advice with today's graduates and welcome them into the Blugold alumni family.

OUTSTANDING RECENT ALUMNUS AWARD

The Outstanding Recent Alumnus Award acknowledges the special achievements and great promise of alumni who are within 15 years of their graduation from UW-Eau Claire.



Bridget Obsorn '08 bachelor's degree in geology

Bridget Osborn was the first Blugold to complete UW-Eau Claire's geology dual degree in engineering in partnership with the University of Minnesota, through which she earned a bachelor's degree in geology from UW-Eau Claire and a bachelor's

degree in geological engineering from the U of M. She also enjoyed a successful track and field career as a Blugold, becoming an All American in the heptathlon her senior year.

A water resource project engineer with HR Green in St. Paul, Minnesota, since 2010, Osborn creates innovative solutions for managing storm water and other runoff. For example, she played a key role in designing two water-reuse irrigation systems along a narrow roadway reconstruction corridor in Woodbury, Minnesota. The green infrastructure technology helped reduce downstream pollutants and reduce strain on a depleting aquifer.

For her outstanding work in the field, Osborn has earned multiple awards and professional recognitions, including the 2014 Emerging Leader Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Minnesota, one of five national ACEC Young Professional of the Year Awards for 2016 and the DiscoverE New Face of Engineering Award in 2016.

Ajay Jain, water resources practice leader at HR Green, said Osborn's dedication and talent make her highly deserving of recent accolades.

"Bridget brings lots of energy and dedication to finding practical, cost-effective solutions for her clients while improving the environment and quality of life for the communities she serves," Jain said.

In addition to her work with HR Green, Obsorn is a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, her local watershed district and environmental conservation nonprofit Great River Greening. She also gives talks to students about engineering, especially for girls considering the STEM fields.

In a recent interview, Osborn spoke about her talks with youth: "I love seeing the kids' faces, that'ah ha' moment when they learn how engineering plays such an important role in their everyday lives."

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

All the knowledge we have is built from our experiences. Take every opportunity to learn what you can. Even if it doesn't directly apply to your career goals, it may be relevant to a future client, co-worker, friend or family member. Network, network, network. The more people you meet, the more opportunities you'll have.



Abigail Zimmer '07

bachelor's degree in English – creative writing

Since graduating from UW-Eau Claire in 2007, Abigail Zimmer has earned a master of fine arts degree in creative writing from Columbia College Chicago and built an acclaimed and prolific career as a poet and

poetry editor, publishing two chapbooks and one full-length collection of her own poetry, and working as an editor for the small Chicago publishing company she co-founded, the Lettered Streets Press. To date, the press, which champions emerging voices, voices of color and LGBTQ voices, has published 12 books of poetry from 16 authors, many of whom were publishing their first collections.

"It's so exciting to be able to provide a platform for emerging voices and contribute toward a genre of literature that has in many ways become my lifeline," Zimmer said.

Joshua Young, with whom Zimmer founded the Lettered Streets Press, said, "Abigail looks at a work from the inside, allowing room for a poet or writer to publish work that is inherently theirs."

Zimmer also maintains a full-time position as an editorial and production coordinator at the Society of American Archivists, where she edits and manages content for a biweekly newsletter, a bimonthly magazine, a biannual journal and three book publications a year.

Zimmer's poetry has garnered several awards, including the Chicago Review of Books 2016 Poetry Award, the 2014 Lannan Prize from the Academy of American Poets and the 2014 Lya Dym Rosenblum Award from Columbia College Chicago. Her works have appeared in numerous publications and anthologies, including NightBlock, Jellyfish, The New Megaphone and Fairy Tale Review, among others.

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

The writing advice that has most influenced me is "Write what you want to read," which I think is applicable to any field. In other words, is there a program, community, artwork, code, study, etc. you wish to see? Create the space to do the work you want to do. And be gentle with yourself. Your interests, desires and career path will evolve. Times of loss and heartbreak may require you to slow down. Keep returning to what gives you life. Most likely, someone else needs the work you're doing, too.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

The President's Award recognizes outstanding professional and personal achievements and service to UW-Eau Claire.



Kristie Franz '95 bachelor's degree in geology

Kristie Franz, a native of nearby Chippewa Falls, entered UW-Eau Claire as a firstgeneration college student, intending to major in psychology. But after just one geology class, taken to fulfill a general education requirement, she knew geology

was her true calling.

After her UW-Eau Claire graduation, Franz worked for four years as a hydrogeologist before pursuing a master's degree in hydrology and water resources from the University of Arizona, followed by a doctorate in civil engineering from the University of California, Irvine. In 2006 she accepted a faculty position in the department of geological and atmospheric sciences at Iowa State University, where today she is a tenured associate professor. A nationally recognized research scientist, Franz has authored or co-authored 24 peer-reviewed journal articles since 2003 and presented research findings at more than 30 professional conferences and meetings over the past five years.

Franz, whose research focuses on improving the understanding and prediction of watershed behavior, has obtained more than \$2 million in grant funding for her studies, many of which are aimed at improving flood and water supply forecasts across the country. Her work includes mentoring both graduate students and undergraduates, and she views their successes as her biggest impact on the science of hydrology. Franz said UW-Eau Claire geology faculty have remained a source of support and guidance as she has advanced in her career.

"One of the most important opportunities I received at UW-Eau Claire was engaging in undergraduate research projects under the guidance of professors," Franz said. "These experiences were invaluable for gaining insight into how research is done, learning about my scientific strengths and weaknesses, and defining my interests and goals."

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

Your major in college and your first jobs do not have to define your entire professional career. It is OK if you do not know what you want to do with the rest of your life. Use college as a time to set yourself onto a path with options, learn to be open to opportunities, and accept that you will always be learning.



Andrew Neesley '03 bachelor's degree in music

Andrew Neesley is an award-winning and inventive trumpeter, violinist, singer, composer and producer. Born in Milwaukee and based in New York, Neesley has made his mark nationally performing with contemporary music greats — among

them National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Master Candido Camero, the Roots, James Taylor, Chris Botti, Lady Gaga and many others.

Neesley has performed, composed and arranged with the Bobby Sanabria Big Band on three Grammy-nominated albums and a Latin Grammy-nominated album. His gospel rock band Jesus On The Mainline features 15 talented young New York musicians and recently released "The Morning Bell," its debut full-length album. Other collaborations have included working with fellow UW-Eau Claire alumnus David Whitman on the Independent Music Award-winning album "Oh, Clara!" in 2017 and an upcoming 2020 album. Neesley also serves as music director for mmm... bands, a boutique private event company.

Neesley, who received a master's degree from the Manhattan School of Music after graduating from UW-Eau Claire, is a past recipient of the ASCAP Young Jazz Composer's Award, winner of the National Trumpet Competition, finalist in the International Trumpet Guild Jazz Improvisation Competition and recipient of a DownBeat Student Music Award for Best Engineered Studio Album. He continues to teach brass and jazz improvisation to a new generation of musicians, maintaining a private lesson studio in New York.

Neesley said the teaching of UW-Eau Claire professor of music and jazz studies director Robert Baca has been central in his career and life

"I really grew into the musician and adult I am today during my time studying under his tutelage," Neesley said. "To this day I can call on so many life lessons learned in his second-floor office. And they are lessons I pass on to new generations of my own students"

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

Find a balance of trusting your hard work and looking for new answers to old questions. Also, be kind to each other. All the relationships you've made at UW-Eau Claire will follow you. You'll call on your friends for favors, they'll call on you. You'll grow old together. It's beautiful.



Johnny Washington '81 bachelor's degree in business administration

Johnny Washington was a member of the Blugold men's basketball team throughout his time at UW-Eau Claire, serving as cocaptain during the 1979-80 season when the team placed fourth in the NAIA national

tournament in Kansas City, Missouri. He was again with the team when they returned to the national tournament in 1981, that time finishing third.

Ken Anderson, head Blugold men's basketball coach from 1968-95, said he was impressed with Washington as a leader on the team.

"Johnny was an outstanding player, and his great personality and leadership skills were a key factor in the team's success, which included three conference championships as well as three trips to the national tournament during the time he was a player," Anderson said. "Coupled with his academic pursuits in UW-Eau Claire's business program, it was very evident Johnny Washington was going to be successful after UW-Eau Claire."

After his UW-Eau Claire graduation, Washington first accepted a position with J.I. Case Co. in his hometown of Racine and later joined Dean Industries in the Los Angeles, California, area. He then launched what would be a 30-year career in the insurance industry with CNA Continental Casualty Co. before his retirement in 2012.

In recent years Washington has faced health problems, including a cancer battle. A year ago he was honored by his high school alma mater, Case High School in Racine, where he was a basketball standout before he played with the Blugolds. In a comment to the Racine Journal Times following the event, his drive and determination that were evident on the basketball court still shined through.

"I've had a great life," Washington told the Journal Times. "God has been so good to me. I've experienced things that a lot of people haven't experienced. My mom taught me to never give up, and I won't give up."

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

- 1. Don't get discouraged if can't find your job of choice. It only means another door will open.
- 2. Don't be afraid to make mistakes you can learn from them.
- 3. Be positive and productive, and ask questions.



David Whitman '05 bachelor's degree in music

David Whitman didn't have to travel far from his hometown of Menomonie to UW-Eau Claire, where his undergraduate experience would launch a success-filled career that would take him great distances.

Whitman went on to earn full-tuition scholarships that helped him attain a master's degree and doctorate in percussion performance and pedagogy at Kansas State University and the University of Southern Mississippi, respectively. Today he is an award-winning jazz and orchestral percussionist and professional music educator. As a top-call percussionist in southern California, he has been the principal player in large-scale productions at most major symphonic venues in the region. He also has performed with a long list of Broadway tours, the San Diego Symphony and many big-name artists. In addition, Whitman is an educator and mentor to aspiring professional players, working as a lecturer and percussion studio faculty member at San Diego State University and as a lead teacher at a K-12 charter school in the San Diego area.

In 2018, Whitman's album "Oh, Clara!" — an ode to both his daughter and to Eau Claire — was awarded the Best Album award in the jazz instrumental category during the 16th annual Independent Music Awards event at Lincoln Center in New York City. Collaborators on the album included fellow UW-Eau Claire alumnus Andrew Neesley, also a December recipient of the Alumni Association's President's Award.

Whitman credits UW-Eau Claire with giving him the foundation for his success.

"The experience of working hard to earn a spot in such a reputable band as Jazz Ensemble I at UW-Eau Claire shaped my identity and guided my achievements, encouraging grit and determination," Whitman said. "In that band, as well as in the orchestra and other ensembles, I developed a model for excellence and professionalism. Ron Keezer. Robert Baca. Jeffery Crowell. Nobuyoshi Yasuda. These people connected with me in the most meaningful ways on a deep musical level."

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

Imagine and embrace your own vision, and then see that vision through to fruition. Make sure that the vision includes excellence — the same excellence emblazoned on the seal of the very fine University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. Understand that the successful pursuit of that vision will include failures and moments of struggle that will become essential steppingstones on your way to success, and make sure to take time to reflect in moments of struggle to move forward in the right direction. Challenge yourself to be the best version of yourself, to act with integrity and to do right by others as well as by yourself. Understand that living your vision means walking your own path, being creative (which usually means working tirelessly to create something), thinking "outside of the box," and — most importantly — trusting in yourself when you know it can be done but others do not. Do not hide your light or live down to others' expectations; shine your light and live up to your own imagination. Mozart and Beethoven created masterpieces differently, but both created masterpieces and each embraced their own vision.

LIFETIME EXCELLENCE AWARD

The Lifetime Excellence Award is presented to UW-Eau Claire alumni who have demonstrated longtime and successful commitment to their careers and communities. These individuals have made a positive and dramatic impact through enthusiastic dedication to service and living their lives as a testimony to UW-Eau Claire's motto, "Excellence."



Timothy J. Murphy '76 bachelor's degree in marketing

On Jan. 1, 2019, Timothy J. Murphy retired from his role as president and CEO of Nortrax Inc., a John Deere construction and forestry equipment dealer with branches throughout the United States and Canada.

Murphy began his career with Nortrax in 2000 as vice president and general manager of the Midwest region and was named president and CEO in 2013. In this role, Murphy directed his focus and expertise to the areas of transition and change management, and successfully led the company to become one of the most successful global John Deere subsidiaries, one with 56 locations, 1,400 employees and many thousands of dedicated customers.

Prior to his years with Nortrax, Murphy spent 23 years in the construction and forestry equipment industry, holding various sales and marketing management roles with American and Canadian corporations. His return to Wisconsin to join Nortrax offered him the opportunity to give back to UW-Eau Claire as a guest lecturer in the College of Business, where every year he presented his "Ten Leadership Lessons from the Real World" lecture twice each semester.

Since retiring, Murphy has offered his time and expertise as a consultant for a nonprofit called Project 180. The group is devoted to successful rehabilitation of formerly incarcerated individuals, providing various means of assistance in their transitions back to society. Murphy also volunteers at a homeless day care center in Sarasota, Florida, serves within his local St. Patrick's Parish and officiates golf events as a certified USGA expert rules official.

"My time at UW-Eau Claire didn't guarantee a successful career, but it provided me the background and experiences to go out and create one," Murphy said.

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

Let the path take you to your dreams rather than predefining them. Taking the uncertain route creates the greatest opportunity for mistakes and the biggest opportunity to learn from them. Follow that unknown path wherever it leads you because it is the journey that you will remember forever, not the destination. You'll be happy where the road takes you, wherever that may be.



Jane Trimble Johanos '76 bachelor's degree in nursing

Jane "JJ" Trimble Johanos (professionally known as Jane Trimble) was the founder and president of PMS Clinic of Minneapolis, established in 1982 to specialize in the identification and treatment of premenstrual syndrome using a holistic

approach known as the Trimble Model. In addition to her Blugold nursing degree, Trimble holds a master's degree in psychiatric/mental health care nursing from the University of Minnesota and a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Iowa.

Motivated by her career observations of frequent misdiagnosis and treatment, Trimble set out to "redefine premenstrual experience for women, their families, medical professionals, society and a biased work force." Through television, print interviews and lecture series, Trimble educated health-care professionals and women nationwide on the physical, emotional and behavioral changes experienced by most women in response to the normal menstrual cycle.

Throughout the 1980s, the clinic served more than 4,000 women from 41 states and was staffed by one psychologist, three master's-prepared psychiatric nurse specialists, two family practice physicians and a gynecologist, all of whom helped to alter women's perception of the premenstrual experience from one of "victim" to one of "manager."

Dr. Linda Young, dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at UW-Eau Claire, put Trimble's work and the success of her clinic into important context within the field.

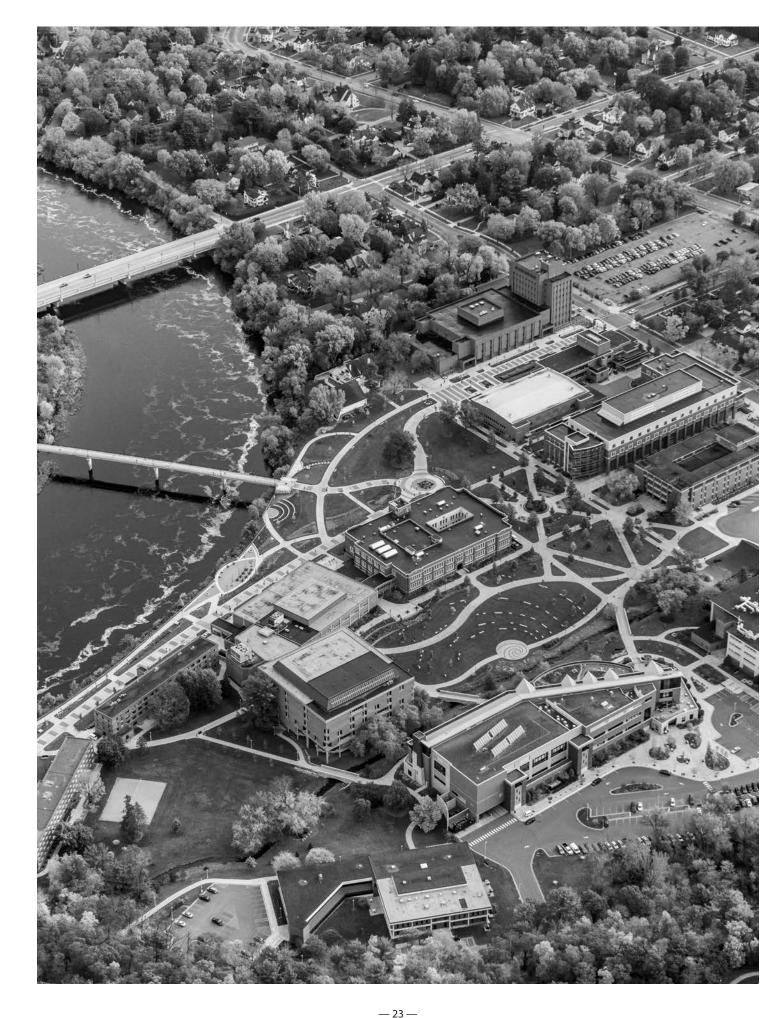
"JJ's pioneering independent nursing practice sets her apart as a significant leader who laid the groundwork for the autonomous advanced nursing practice in our country today," Young said.

Trimble said she accepts her UW-Eau Claire honor with gratitude, and "with humility I acknowledge the enduring spirit and pursuit of excellence in nursing standards established by the UW-Eau Claire College of Nursing and Health Sciences, and exemplified by the expectations of the faculty and curriculum."

Advice to new Blugold alumni:

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Set out to create the "you" you want to be, because that which you consciously envision and set your sights on is what you will most likely become. Make decisions that add value to your life and to the lives of others, never compromising your integrity. Demonstrate honor and respect for those who have preceded you and know that someday you too will be "in the past," so have no regrets. You live this life only once; create your life and choose to make it count.



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