

NEWSLETTER



CHAASE SPRING BANQUET

Every year, outstanding students, preceptors, and friends of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Health Care Administration Program are recognized at the annual spring banquet hosted by the UW-Eau Claire Center for Health Administration and Aging Services Excellence (CHAASE). This year's event was held on April 20th at The Lismore in Eau Claire, WI.

This year's keynote speaker was LaShuan Bethea, Executive Director for the National Center for Assisted Living. She is a registered nurse and attorney who works with providers across the country to advocate for laws and regulations that improve resident outcomes within assisted living.

With more than 25 years of experience in health care, Bethea began her career in 1995 as a licensed practical nurse in a skilled nursing facility. She has held many roles throughout her career in both acute and post-acute settings, ranging from emergency room nursing and acute care behavioral health to long term care direct care nurse to vice president of legislative affairs for a skilled nursing facility.

As part of her advocacy efforts, Bethea frequently meets with long term care providers, state and federal legislators and administrative agencies to discuss issues related to workforce and labor challenges, Medicare and Medicaid, and the impact of the pandemic on long term care.

Bethea earned a master's degree in Education with a minor in Instructional Design from American Intercontinental University, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Phoenix, and a Juris Doctorate from Widener University School of Law.

CHAASE AWARDS



Preceptor of the Year

Kristi Vater

Distinguished Student

Jen Brown

Megan Kalthoff

Distinguished Alumni

Dinah Martin Kmetz

Distinguished Service

John Sauer

Lifetime Achievement

Dr. Gene Decker



LEADERSHIP POSTER AWARD WINNERS

Internal Operations Award

Ben Clark

External Relationships Award

Haley Peterson

Customer Service Award

Kendra VandenHeuvel

Innovation Award

Michael Beckfield



CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!

We are pleased to announce that approximately \$40,000 in scholarships has been awarded to health care administration students for the 2023-2024 academic year. Congratulations to all of the students! Thank you to our supporters for making these scholarships possible.

Alden Senior Living

Mitch Gordon & Shay VanEyll

Life Care Services

Heston Amble

ACHCA Student Chapter

Alexa Crumb & Kayla Stanke

M3 Insurance

Morgen Schmid

Brian R. SchoeneckKatie Schellhorn & Michael
Schumacher**Michael J. Christensen**

Meadow Wilson

Care Providers of Minnesota

Grace Denstad

Monarch Healthcare Management

Lily Kiffmeyer

Civic Engagement

Annabelle Howat

North Shore Healthcare

Mary Martin

Dave Brenne Memorial

Matthew Prouty

Presbyterian Homes & Services

Emma Hamilton & Anna Sands

Dr. Kevin Hansen Memorial

Matthew Prouty

Tri County Medical Alliance

Tessa Peterson

Gene Decker

Emily Mulberry

**Wisconsin Health Care Association
and Wisconsin Center for Assisted
Living**Jamie Challes, Matthew Donovan,
Olivia Fladhammer, Kami Krumenauer,
& Emily Martel**Illuminus**

Addison Platt

**LeadingAge Wisconsin/Value
First**Emma Cochrane, Ryan McNicoll, &
Jenna Thieding**Wisconsin Health Care Association
and Wisconsin Center for Assisted
Living - Excellence**

Karla Gomez & Carissa Prestholdt



SPRING MODULE

On April 19, our HCAD seniors made the trek back to UWEC for their final Administrative Residency learning module. During this module they were able to participate in an operational simulation that put their academic and field experience to the test.

We had several high performing groups and were impressed with the level of engagement in the process! Throughout module, our seniors were able to network with one another, upcoming cohorts, and CHAASE board members to help to strengthen their ties to the HCAD Blugold alumni network.

We are so proud of each and every one of these 37 residency students and their accomplishments. We have a high level of confidence that these future leaders in health care will put their skills and talents to use supporting those in their future care settings.



WHCA/WICAL SPRING CONFERENCE

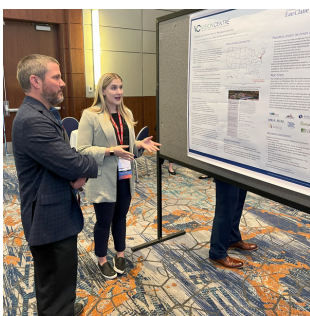
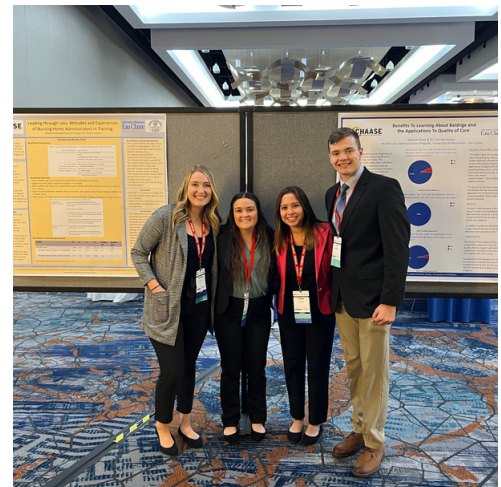
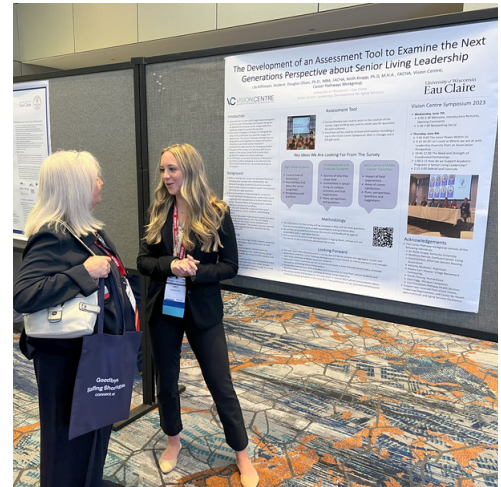
Dr. Creapeau, Dr. Johs, Professor McMurry, and 36 Health Care Administration students attended the 2023 WHCA/WiCAL Spring Conference & Expo April 12-14. HCAD juniors had a chance to learn more about current issues in long-term care, network, volunteer, and more. Dr. Johs presented a session on Thursday entitled “Pillars of Performance: Creating a more positive culture for residents, family, and staff” based on her recent textbook. On Friday, Dr. Creapeau, Jen Brown ('23), David Burville ('23), Emily Mulberry ('24), and Kaiya Shrader ('22) had the opportunity to share more about recruitment and retention strategies for Gen Z.



ACHCA CONVOCATION

Dr. Lindsey Creapeau (Assistant Professor), Dr. Jennifer Johs-Artisensi (Professor & Program Director), and 12 health care administration students attended the 2023 ACHCA Convocation April 24-27 in Baltimore, MD. Faculty and students attended educational sessions, performed volunteer duties, and networked with long-term health care leaders across the country.

Luke Bjorklund ('24), McKenna Campbell ('24), Karla Gomez ('25), Mitch Gordon ('24), Brad Heap ('25), Lily Kiffmeyer ('25), Addi Platt ('24), Carissa Prestholdt ('25), Michael Schumacher ('24), and Shay VanEyll ('24) presented at the Dr. Kevin Hansen Student Poster Memorial Exposition, sharing results of student/faculty research collaborations.

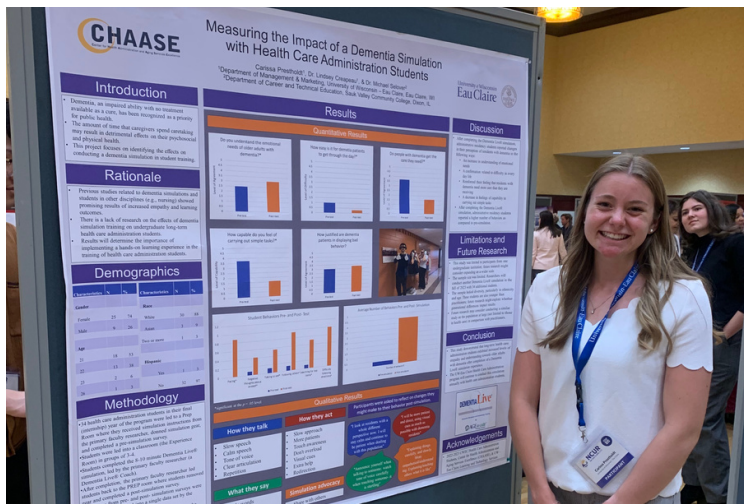


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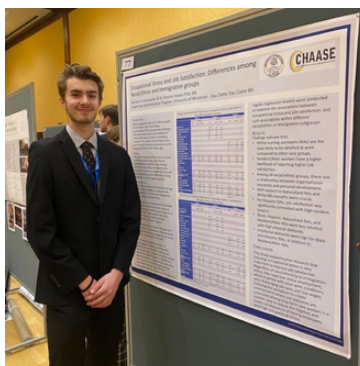
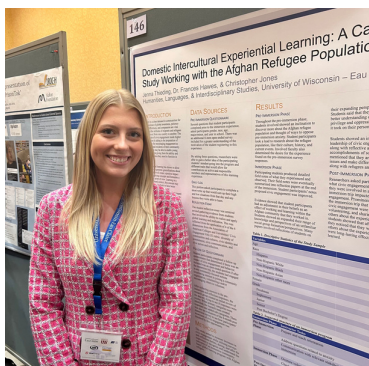
CHAASE Student Interns Jenna Theiding ('25) and Michael Schumacher ('24) attended the Wisconsin HOSA Conference in Wisconsin Dells, WI. They were able to meet and network with young aspiring health care professionals and educate them about the UW-Eau Claire Health Care Administration program. This year's attending students were very engaged and interested in the program, and they furthered connections with high school counselors.



NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (NCUR)



UW-Eau Claire hosted 3,600 college students and faculty members for the National Conference on Undergraduate Research April 12-15. Students, faculty and staff were able to interact and network with people from across the country, learn more about research, attend a Futures Fair with employers and graduate schools, watch great artistic performances, volunteer, and engage in entertaining activities on campus and downtown Eau Claire.



Congratulations to all our HCAD students that presented research at NCUR! What a great experience to network with others, share their experiences, and show off their hard work!

Pictured: Carissa Prestholdt ('25), Jenna Thieding ('25), and Michael Schumacher ('24)



THANK YOU ACHCA!

On behalf of the UWEC Health Care Administration faculty and staff, we want to extend out sincere gratitude to the 2022-2023 ACHCA Student Organization Executive Board. Thank you for your dedication, hard work and contributions for making this year a success!

President: Shay VanEyll

Vice President: Annabelle Howat

Treasurer: Lily Kiffmeyer

Volunteer Coordinator: McKenna Campbell

Social Coordinator: Jess Fjelstad

Secretary: Mitch Gordon

Director of Fundraising: Addison Platt

Marketing Director: Emily Mulberry

Recruitment & Retention Director: Heston Amble

THANK YOU CHAASE BOARD!

We want to thank our CHAASE Board members who are rotating off the board this year for their generous support and dedication.

Members Rotating Off Board

Chris Boldt

Dean Eide

Chris Kenyon

Sam Orbovich

Talia Pletcher

Randy Snyder

Welcome to our New Board Members!

Erin Hilligan

Marleah Keuler Grahek

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023!



I'm so proud of all of you! What a unique journey you've been on, with the pandemic coloring both your college and residency experiences. The adaptability you've developed these past few years has strengthened your leadership. I can't wait to see what's next for you!

-Dr. Johs-Artisensi

Congratulations to the class of 2023! It's been an honor to be a small part of your journey. I'm excited to see where you go and am confident that you'll be successful in whatever is next for you. Stay in touch with CHAASE, the program, and us!

"I encourage you to live with life. Be courageous, adventurous. Give us a tomorrow, more than we deserve." —Maya Angelou

- Dr. Creapeau

Congratulations, HCAD graduating class of 2023! Your unwavering resilience and adaptability inside and outside of the classroom during the challenges of COVID-19 have prepared you to excel in the healthcare field. Embrace innovation, collaboration, and compassionate care as you shape a brighter and healthier future for all. So proud of you! Stay in touch.

- Dr. Hawes

Congratulations to the graduating class of 2023! It was such an honor to join you at the end of your journey! I cannot wait to see all the wonderful things you will accomplish! Go be great

- and stay in touch!!

- Professor McMurry

2023- 2024 COHORT PLACEMENTS

Student**Administrative Residency Site**

Hannah Angelo	Rennes Health & Rehab Center - DePere, WI
Megan Baer	Brewster Village - Appleton, WI
Luke Bjorklund	Skaalen Retirement Services - Stoughton, WI
McKenna Campbell	Presbyterian Homes of Bloomington - Bloomington, MN
Maddie Christianson	The Bay at Eastview Health and Rehab Center - Antigo, WI
Emma Corsi	Capitol Lakes - Madison, WI
Ania Czubak	Edenbrook Lakeside - Milwaukee, WI
Jess Fjelstad	The Villas at Brookview - Golden Valley, MN
Peyton Ford	St. Paul Elder Services, Inc. - Kaukauna, WI
Maddy Frischmon	Clement Manor - Greenfield, WI
Mitch Gordon	Hayward Area Memorial Hospital & Water's Edge - Hayward, WI
Melanie Hanson	Catholic Eldercare - Minneapolis, MN
Annabelle Howat	Marquis Tualatin - Tualatin, OR
Hannah Keach	Martin Luther Care Center - Bloomington, MN
Christina Leikam	Berkley Manor Care Center - Denver, CO
Alex McConnell	Hammond Health Services - Hammond, WI
Megan Miller	Woodbury Senior Living - Woodbury, MN
Emily Mulberry	The Rehabilitation Center at Sandalwood - Wheat Ridge, CO
Caitlin Mylly	Green Hills Community - Ames, IA
Lydia O'Hara	Friendship Village of Bloomington - Bloomington, MN
Tessa Peterson	Bethany St. Joseph Care Center - La Crosse, WI
Alexis Pham	Boutwells Landing - Oak Park Heights, MN
Addison Platt	Wisconsin Veterans Home - Chippewa Falls, WI
Kyra Reiner	Minnesota Masonic Home Care Center - Bloomington, MN
Rose Riedmaier	The Marquardt - Watertown, WI
Katie Schellhorn	Oakwood Health Services - Altoona, WI
Sammie Schoonover	Providence Place Senior Living - Minneapolis, MN
Michael Schumacher	Oakwood Village Prairie Ridge - Madison, WI
Carissa Thomas	The Estates at St. Louis Park - St. Louis Park, MN
Peter VanderMeer	Crossroads Care Center - Sun Prairie, WI
Shay VanEyll	The Estates at Chateau - Minneapolis, MN
Abby Weber	American Lutheran Communities - Menomonie, WI
Emily Weber	Birchwood Senior Living - Forest Lake, MN
Meadow Wilson	Johanna Shores - Arden Hills, MN

UPCOMING DATES

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APRIL 18TH, 2024



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