



COMMENCEMENT

2023

## Our Mark of Excellence

The University Seal made its entrance into the life of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in 1966, and today it remains the official symbol of the university and the values it upholds. The seal prominently features the Council Oak tree and the word “Excellence.”

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## Council Oak

The Council Oak stands as a symbol of UW-Eau Claire’s commitment to serving as a place of meeting and exchange. The symbolism originated with the first Council Oak, a majestic tree that stood where the Ojibwe and Dakota nations as well as other nations, including the Ho-Chunk, Menominee and Potawatomi, met to share knowledge and discuss peaceful resolutions to their differences. The current Council Oak was planted and dedicated in 1990 by elders from the Ojibwe and Ho-Chunk nations after the original Council Oak, which had been damaged by lightning in 1966, fell in a windstorm in 1987.

The Council Oak remains a sacred place and is recognized by UW-Eau Claire as a symbol of the ancestral and sacred lands of Indigenous Peoples, past and present. We acknowledge that the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire occupies the sacred and ancestral lands of Indigenous Peoples.

We honor the land of the Ojibwe and Dakota Nations.

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## 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.



## 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!

Graduates, you have persevered and shown remarkable resilience in pursuit of a world-class UW-Eau Claire education, inspiring you and your classmates to succeed both in and outside the classroom. It has been my distinct pleasure to meet many of you, and in our insightful 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 your respective communities and the world.

You can look to the future knowing there is true value in your UW-Eau Claire degree. Forbes has listed UW-Eau Claire among the top universities in the United States, and the highest ranked regional public university in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois in its most recent rankings of America’s Top Colleges for accessibility, affordability and student success. Furthermore, the Princeton Review lists UW-Eau Claire as an “academically outstanding” institution in its 2023 Best Regional Colleges list, and U.S. News & World Report’s 2023 Best Colleges listing ranks us at the top of Wisconsin’s public comprehensive universities. U.S. News & World Report also ranks UW-Eau Claire among its “Most Innovative Schools” because of our cutting-edge practices.

Also know that as you leave this great university, you join the ranks of almost 100,000 Blugold alumni making a difference through their contributions in their workplaces and communities. Your UW-Eau Claire experiences have equipped you with the knowledge and desire to make this world a better place. Your skills and wisdom, entrepreneurship and integrity of spirit, strong work ethic and inspiring creativity that helped you overcome challenges throughout your college career will serve you well in the future.

As we say in our mission statement (proudly printed on this page), UW-Eau Claire provides a “transformative liberal education.” I challenge you to courageously 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James C. Schmidt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "S".

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

# Commencement Program

**May 20, 2023**

**Chancellor James C. Schmidt presiding**

9 a.m. College of Arts and Sciences

1:30 p.m. College of Education and Human Sciences  
College of Nursing and Health Sciences

5:30 p.m. College of Business

**Prelude by Brass Quintet**  
Robert Baca, professor, trumpet  
Jacob Grewe, lecturer, tuba  
Charles Hodgson, lecturer, horn  
Matthew Mealey '99, trumpet  
Phil Ostrander, professor, trombone

**Greetings** Evan Weiher, Commencement Marshal, Chair, University Senate

**Processional** "Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1" by Sir Edward Elgar and  
"Triumphal March" (from *Aida*) by Giuseppe Verdi  
*Please rise and remain standing through the National Anthem.*

**National Anthem** "The Star-Spangled Banner," by John Stafford Smith  
Led by Brendin Robbie Larson, Bachelor of Music, Music (9 a.m.)  
Led by Mitchell Robert Krueger, Bachelor of Music Education, Music (1:30 p.m.)  
Led by Emily Annis, Bachelor of Business Administration, Management and Communication (5:30 p.m.)

**Welcome and Introductions** Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Introducing Members of the Platform Party  
James C. Schmidt, Chancellor  
Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
Grace Crickette, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration  
Mary F. Hoffman, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Interim Dean of Graduate Studies  
Louisa Rice, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
Gregg M. Heinselman, Interim Dean of Students  
Kristen Abbott-Anderson, Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences  
K. Brewer Doran, Dean, College of Business  
Aleks Sternfeld-Dunn, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences  
Jill Prushiek, Associate Dean, College of Education and Human Sciences  
Marc Goulet, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences (9 a.m.)  
Debra Jansen, Associate Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences (1:30 p.m.)  
Jean Pratt, Associate Dean, College of Business (5:30 p.m.)  
Evan Weiher, Commencement Marshal, Chair, University Senate

**Greetings from the UW System Board of Regents**  
Regent Cris Peterson

**Congratulatory Remarks** James C. Schmidt, Chancellor

**Introduction of Alumni Award Recipients** James C. Schmidt, Chancellor  
*See pages 27-33 for background on the award recipients.*

**Charge to the Class** Horacio Rozanski, President and CEO, Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc.

**College Dean Remarks** Aleks Sternfeld-Dunn, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences (9 a.m.)  
Kristen Abbott-Anderson, Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences (1:30 p.m.)  
Jill Prushiek, Associate Dean, College of Education and Human Sciences (1:30 p.m.)  
K. Brewer Doran, Dean, College of Business (5:30 p.m.)

**Presentation and Conferral of Doctoral Candidates (1:30 p.m.)**  
Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
James C. Schmidt, Chancellor

**Presentation and Conferral of Master's Candidates**  
Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
James C. Schmidt, Chancellor

**Presentation and Conferral of Baccalaureate Candidates**  
Patricia A. Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
James C. Schmidt, Chancellor

**ROTC Oath of Office (5:30 p.m.)** Lieutenant Colonel Dax Burroughs, Professor of Military Science, Northwoods ROTC Battalion

**Blugold Reflections** "I Don't Buy a Ticket, I've Already Won the Lottery"  
Molly Nargiz Urmanski, Bachelor of Arts, Communication (9 a.m.)  
"Nontraditional In Every Way"  
Trinity James Isham, Bachelor of Science, Elementary Education (1:30 p.m.)  
"No GPS Will Lead to Success"  
Jackie Lynn Martin, Bachelor of Business Administration, Business Finance and Economics (5:30 p.m.)

**University Alma Mater** Led by Hannah Sue Lindquist, Bachelor of Music, Music (9 a.m.)  
Led by Rowan Kristina Rupakus, Bachelor of Music Education, Music (1:30 p.m.)  
Led by Emily Annis, Bachelor of Business Administration, Management and Communication (5:30 p.m.)

**Recessional** "Pomp and Circumstance, No. 1" by Sir Edward Elgar  
*Please wait to move from your seat until after the graduates have exited the arena.*

**Photographs** Grad Images, professional photographers, will take photos of all graduates as they receive their diplomas. Find proofs of the photos on their website [www.gradimages.com](http://www.gradimages.com).  
In order to reset the arena for the next event, there will be no personal photo opportunities in Zorn Arena following the ceremony. The college banners that you see on stage and other photo backdrops will be available on the first floor of the W.R. Davies Student Center.



**Kyle James Durr** \*\* Wausau B.S., Actuarial Science

**Samantha Hope Dutton** Eau Claire B.A., Psychology

**Korbin T Dvorak** Combined Lcks B.S., Chemistry with Business Emphasis

**Bradly Scott Edmonston** Cottage Grove B.S., Geography

**Taylor Ann Eiche** \*\* Shell Lake B.S., Psychology

**Caleb Loren Elness** Cottage Grove, MN B.A., Criminal Justice

**Madison Li Engel** \* Rochester, MN B.S., Neuroscience

**Alex John Engelsrud** Woodbury, MN B.S., Computer Science

**Brock Robert Erdman** \*\*\* Wisconsin Rapids *University Honors* B.A., Psychology and Political Science

**Shadia Escorcia Cure** \*\* Chippewa Falls *University Honors* B.S., Biology

**Victoria Elizabeth Essmann** \*\*\* Fond du Lac B.M., Music

**Faith Elizabeth Evans** Eau Claire B.A., Psychology

**Joshua Anderson Evans** \*\* Eau Claire B.S., Political Science

**Britta Evenson** \* Robbinsdale, MN B.S., Psychology

**Abigayle Jean-Marie Ewens** \* Winthrop Harbor, IL B.A., Psychology and Religious Studies

**Makai Ntxaij Fang** Rosemount, MN B.S., Music

**Anna Faucett** Tomahawk B.S., Criminal Justice

**Tessa Flynn Ferry** \*\* Wayzata, MN *University Honors* B.A., Music and Psychology

**Sydney Elizabeth Fletcher** Racine B.S., Biology

**Emily Fliehr** \*\* Chippewa Falls B.A., English

**Catherine Kasal Fobbe** Maple Lake, MN B.S., Criminal Justice and Political Science

**Gabriella S Franco** \*\* Oakdale, MN B.A., Psychology

**Jack Kelley Frederick** Mankato, MN B.S., Psychology

**Thomas Arthur Freitag** Eau Claire B.A., Criminal Justice

**Lindsey Grace Friend** \*\*\* Weston *University Honors* B.S., Biology

**Ryan D Fries** \*\*\*† Kimberly *University Honors* B.S., Actuarial Science

**Isaac Jon Gabriel** \*\*\* River Falls B.M., Music

**Anna Marie Gady** \* B.S., Biology

**Amelia A Gailloux** \* Eden Prairie, MN B.A., Art

**Simon James Garey** \*\*\* Cedarburg *University Honors* B.S., Biology

**Connor Flynn Garland** \*\*\* Pleasant Prairie B.S., Economics and Communication

**Danyon B. Gasper** \* Eleva B.S., Psychology and Criminal Justice

**Megan Leeann Gawlitta** \*\* Wisconsin Rapids *University Honors* B.S., Neuroscience

**Stefan Joseph Geisinger** \* Rice Lake B.A., History

**Benjamin Thomas Georgeson** \* Windsor B.S., Materials Science and Engineering

**Leah Janine Gietman** \* Eau Claire B.S., Psychology

**Molly Jo Glassbrenner** \* Eau Claire B.S., Mathematics

**Lillian Nicole Glodowski** \*\*\*† Stevens Point B.S., Geology

**Elizabeth Marie Godden** \*\* Chisago City, MN B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Jacob Michael Golat** \* Altoona B.S., Geospatial Analysis and Technology

**Taylor Ann Golding** \*\*\* Wausau *University Honors* B.S., Political Science

**Gabriella Jane Goldstein** \*\* Fond du Lac B.F.A., Art

**Francisco Alfonso Gomez** Somerset B.A., Criminal Justice

**Rosa Daniela Gómez** \*\* Burnsville, MN B.A., Journalism and Political Science and Latin American and Latinx Studies

**Nathan Thomas Gorzek** \*\*\* Eau Claire B.S., Actuarial Science

**Cassidy Sierra Goux** \* Minneapolis, MN B.A., Art

**Bryce J Graef** \*\*\* Green Bay B.S., Actuarial Science

**Johnathan Thomas Greene** Hayward B.A., English

**Lillian Grace Griffin** Madison B.A., Sociology

**Max William Grode** \* La Crosse B.S., Criminal Justice

**Aloisius Jay Grzybowski** \*\* Worland, WY *University Honors* B.S., Computer Science and Mathematics

**Margaret Ellen Waters Guetschow** \*\*\* Madison *University Honors* B.S., Geography

**Carolyn M Gurske** \* Ashland B.S., Geology

**Carter Thomas Hagel** Woodbury, MN B.S., Political Science

**Candice Jean Hainz** Neillsville B.A., Psychology

**Mitchell Joseph Haley** \*\* Chippewa Falls B.S., Computer Science

**Maxwell Jay Hall** \*\*\*† Prior Lake, MN B.S., English

**Jacob Isaac Hallett** \*\* Waukesha B.M., Music

**Molly Kay Halverson** Beaver Dam B.S., Biology

**Gabriel Parker Hamilton** Eau Claire B.S., Mathematics

**Benjamin Hancock** Merrill B.S., Computer Science

**Gabrielle Lee Hanke** \* Wausau B.S., Psychology

**Elizabeth Rose Hansche** \* Whitehall B.A., Psychology

**Kaia Birkenfeldt Kolding Hansen** \*\*\* Grafton B.S., Computer Science

**Jenna Marie Hanson** \* Oshkosh B.S., Physics

**Skye Christen Hanson** \* Hudson B.A., Music

**Alondra Naomi Suzanne Harris** Chippewa Falls B.A., History

**Ashley Bridgett Harrison** Minneapolis, MN B.A., Spanish and Psychology

**Emily Nichole Harrison** \* Hobart B.S., Actuarial Science

**Mason Robert Hawkins** Farmington, MN B.A., Psychology

**Hannah B Hawthorne** Brookfield B.A., Political Science

**Allison Charity Hayes** \*\* B.S., Sociology and Psychology

**Nichol Yingyang He** \*\*\* Medina, MN *University Honors* B.S., Computer Science

**Elizabeth Grace Heise** Hortonville B.A., Psychology

**Sydney Allene Henderson** Excelsior, MN B.S., Biology

**Haley Loiree Henke** Hartford B.A., Communication

**Grace Autumn Henneman** Waupaca B.S., Chemistry with Business Emphasis

**Kayla Madison Henning** \* Eau Claire B.S., Biology

**Lindsey Grace Henricks** \* Oak Creek B.S., Geology

**Miles Daniel Herrick** Whitehall B.S., Computer Science

**Ethan Monaghan Herrmann** Oconomowoc B.S., Criminal Justice

**Madilyn Elizabeth Hickey** \* Eau Claire B.A., Psychology

**Garret Martin Hill** \* Medford B.S., Biology

**Allison Hinrichs** \* Savage, MN B.A., Journalism

**Charley Paige Hudson** \*\* Stoughton B.S., Biology

**Emily Ann Huerta** Fort Atkinson B.A., Geography

**Kayla Ruth Huglen** \*\*\* Wisconsin Rapids B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Paul Alan Huther** \*\*\* Stratford B.S., Biology

**Muhaison Hanifa Ibrahim** \*\*\*† Ghana *University Honors* B.S., Chemistry

**Bailey Morgan Imhoff** \*\* Edgar B.S., Neuroscience

**Kiara Jackson** \* Adams B.S., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Madison L Jakubic** \*\* Lakeville, MN B.A., Psychology

**Benjamin Gabriel James** \* Waukesha B.S., Criminal Justice

**Joseph James Jasper** \*\*\* Chippewa Falls B.S., Physics

**Cadence Noelle Jegers** \*\*\* Muskego *University Honors* B.S., Biology

**Louis Jerome Jelinsky** Green Bay B.S., Mathematics

**Amanda Lynn Jinkerson** Chippewa Falls B.S., Geology

**Andrew William Johannes** Omro B.S., Biology

**Jacob Lewis Johnson** \*\*\* Sparta B.A., Art

**Kaine Paul Johnson** La Crescent, MN B.S., Geology

**Rachel Erin Johnson** Mantorville, MN B.S., History

**Taylor Elizabeth Johnson** Eau Claire B.S., Criminal Justice

**Emily Sue Johnston** \*\*\* Plover *University Honors* B.S., Political Science and Psychology

**Dawson Thomas Jollie** \*\*\* Iron Ridge B.A., English



**Abigail Rose Joyner** \* Inver Grove Heights, MN B.A., Communication

**Grace Eileen Justice** Minneapolis, MN B.A., Political Science

**Ashley Marie Kachurik** \* Wadsworth, IL B.S., Psychology

**Creighton Frederick Kahlenberg** \* Cato B.A., English

**Savannah Alexis Kaiser** Eau Claire B.A., Art

**Connor James Kamrowski** \*\* Menasha *University Honors* B.S., Computer Science

**Grace Ellora Kasparek** \*\*\* Chippewa Falls *University Honors* B.A., Theatre Arts

**Joshua Kent Katcher** Neillsville B.S., Geography

**Elizabeth Ruth Kennedy Wiechert** Eau Claire B.L.S., Liberal Studies

**Michelle Lorelynn Kent** \* Rochester, MN B.S., Psychology

**Alayna Konstantinovna Khrulev** Oconomowoc B.A., Psychology

**Jamie Kickland** \* B.A., Psychology

**Christian Edmund Kiener** B.A., Psychology

**Haley Noel King** \* Appleton B.A., Political Science

**Brooklyn Gracie Kirchner** Little Chute B.F.A., Art

**McKenna Riley Klopfer** \* Germantown B.S., Biology

**Ellie Irene Knutson** Faribault, MN B.A., Psychology

**Michael Martin Koehler** Osceola B.A., Journalism

**Simon Mitchell Koeper** \* Falcon Heights, MN B.S., Psychology

**Braden Scott Konop** \*\* Ashwaubenon B.S., Computer Science

**Connor John Kramer** \* Trempealeau B.A., Criminal Justice

**Kristen Rose Krentz** Berlin B.S., Psychology

**Morgan Joan-Marie Kretsch** \*\* Lakeville, MN B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Elsa Francine Krize** \*\*\* Stillwater, MN B.A., Political Science

**Vaughn Erick Kromrey** \*\* Hudson *University Honors* B.S., Computer Science

**Christina Ashley Kuderski** \*\* Franklin B.S., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Henry Nathaniel Kuhlmann** Shorewood B.A., Art

**Joe Yee Natalie Kum** Malaysia B.S., Psychology

**Dillon Michael Kunelius** Arbor Vitae B.A., English

**Kelsey Erin Kurylo** \*\* Bristol B.S., Actuarial Science

**Brandon William Kviz** \* Mount Prospect, IL B.S., Communication

**Bethany Faith Laatsch** \*\*\*\*† Janesville *University Honors*

B.S., Biochemistry / Molecular Biology and Spanish

**Matthew Jonathan Laatsch** Altoona B.S., Biology

**Everett Emmanuel LaBudda** Lancaster B.S., Geology

**Nora Rose Lahti** \*\* Altoona B.A., Communication

**Beatrice Suet Mun Lai** Malaysia B.A., Art

**Heather Catherine Lane** \* Luck B.F.A., Art

**Jordan Patrick Langlois** \*\*\* Altoona B.S., Computer Science

**Brendin Robbie Larson** \*\* Durand B.M., Music

**Eliassah Mattea Larson** \*\*\* Eau Claire B.A., Public Health

**Jacob Dale Lasiewicz** Chippewa Falls B.S., Public Health

**Nicholas Lasky** \*\*\* Cashton B.S., Computer Science



**Shaelyn Ailish Talley** \*\*\* Wausau  
*University Honors*  
B.A., Spanish and Geography

**Nicole Sze Jean Tan** \*\* Malaysia  
B.S., Actuarial Science

**Peng Tan** \*\*† China  
B.S., Mathematics

**Joseph C Taylor** \*\* Oak Grove, MN  
B.S., Computer Science

**Hannah Lynne Temes** \* Genoa, IL  
B.S., Political Science

**Noucee Thao** Kimberly  
B.A., Psychology

**Austin Walker Thielges** \*\*\* Plymouth, MN  
B.S., Psychology

**Abigail Jane Thomann** \* Rochester, MN  
B.S., Biology

**Hailey Scott Thomson** Janesville  
B.S., Biology

**Bella Marie Thovson** \*\* Hutchinson, MN  
B.S., Biology

**Camille Allise Tilden** \* Farmington, MN  
B.S.E.P.H., Environmental Public Health

**MacKenzie Ann Timlin** Platteville  
B.A., Theatre Arts and English

**Ashley Therese Tindell** \*\* Albertville, MN  
B.A., Criminal Justice

**Leah Teresa Topp** \*\* Menomonee Falls  
B.A., Criminal Justice and Psychology

**Sebastian Lee Torres** \*\* Eau Claire  
B.S., Biology

**Akagaonye Okpo Torti** \*\*† Lodi  
B.S., Chemistry

**Eric Carl Trogen** \* Apple Valley, MN  
B.S., Music

**Megan K. Troia** \* Omaha, NE  
B.A., Art

**Jason David Trzebiatowski Jr.** \*\* Fall Creek  
B.S., Biology

**Anna Marie Tuinstra** Hubertus  
B.A., Geography

**Turtogtog Tumennasan** Mongolia  
B.S., Computer Science

**Alayna Jane Twelmeyer** Minocqua  
B.A., Psychology

**Sydney Marie Tyler** \* Frankfort, IL  
B.S., Criminal Justice

**Santiago Tzintzun** \* Dorchester  
B.S., Materials Science

**McKinley David Uelmen** \*\*\* Oak Creek  
B.S., Music

**Molly Nargiz Urmanski** Edgar  
B.A., Communication

**Thomas John Van Eperen** Appleton  
B.A., Criminal Justice

**Alexander Francis Van Nelson** Minneapolis, MN  
B.S., Chemistry

**Joseph Norman Van Voorst** \*\* Newport, MN  
B.S., Criminal Justice

**Kevin Thomas Van Wychen**  
B.S., Art

**Brian Michael VanBeek** Waupun  
B.A., Political Science

**Kayla Marian Vance** \* Eau Claire  
B.S., Criminal Justice

**Ginseng B Vang** Saint Paul, MN  
B.S., Biology

**Dylan Michael Vangsness** Hudson  
B.A., Political Science

**Savannah Lynn Vassar** Florence  
B.S., Biology

**Isabel ZhengZhu Vaudreuil** \* Altoona  
B.A., Criminal Justice

**Ramiro Jose Vazquez** Beaver Dam  
B.S., Psychology

**Claire Kristine Veeneman** \* Lino Lakes, MN  
B.A., Biology

**Emma Gillian Vega Martinez** Saint Paul, MN  
B.S., Biology

**Annabelle Lynn Verbeten** East Troy  
B.S., Chemistry with Business Emphasis

**Wendy Villalva** \*† Brodhead  
B.S., Biology and Latin American Studies

**Kathryn Marie Volz** \*\*\* Tomahawk  
B.S., Biology

**Meredith Grace Voss** Verona  
B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Kagee Lindsey Vue** Eau Claire  
B.A., Communication

**Cheyenne Rose Wade** \*† Cameron  
B.S., Biomedical Engineering

**Brandon Michael Waier** Sheboygan  
B.A., History

**Melanie Ann Walleser** Pickett  
B.A., Journalism

**Bai Wang** China  
B.S., Computer Science

**Taylor Blees Wann** \*\*\* Chanhassen, MN  
B.S., Criminal Justice

**AnnMarie Grace Ward** Woodbury, MN  
B.A., Journalism

**Riley Weaver** \* Portage  
B.A., Communication

**Evan Weber** \*\*\*† Holmen  
B.S., Geology

**Zachary Joseph Allen Weerts** Delavan  
B.A., Political Science

**Abigail Ann Weigel** \*\* Plymouth, MN  
B.S., Art

**Griffin Kleay Weihert** Waunakee  
B.A., Criminal Justice

**Lauren J Weis** \*\*\* Oregon  
*University Honors*  
B.S., Psychology

**Colton James Weitzel** \*\*\* Elko New Market, MN  
B.A., Art

**Atalissa Rosemarie Wells** \*\*\* Milton  
B.A., English

**Anna Mae Wendorff** \*\*\*† Stillwater, MN  
B.A., English and Communication

**Emma Sophie Wergin** \*\* New Berlin  
B.A., Psychology and Sociology

**Jackson Jeffrey Wertkin** \*\* Saint Paul, MN  
B.S., Computer Science

**Holden John Douglas West** \*\* Sparta  
B.A., Criminal Justice

**Courtney Westlund** \*\*\*† Iron River  
*University Honors*  
B.S., Chemistry

**Christina Anne Westman** Ham Lake, MN  
B.A., Music

**Blake Connor Westmoreland** \* Kimberly  
B.S., Computer Science

**Megan Weyers** \*\* Green Bay  
B.S., Psychology

**Leigha Janice White** \* De Pere  
B.A., Psychology

**Weston Allan Whittaker** \*\* Buffalo, MN  
B.S., Actuarial Science

**Hannah Grace Wickstrom** Vadnais Heights, MN  
B.S., Neuroscience

**Breanna Catherine Wiese** Wisconsin Dells  
B.S.E.P.H., Environmental Public Health

**Huston Robert Wilhite** \*\*\* Scandinavia  
B.S., Physics and Mathematics

**Jenna Kathleen Wille** \*\* Hartland  
B.A., Psychology

**Zachary Michael Willis** \* Farmington, MN  
B.S., Biology

**Benjamin Kaldun William Wilson** Eau Claire  
B.S., Economics

**Destini R Wilson** Eau Claire  
B.A., Criminal Justice

**Brittney Jan Winter** Abrams  
B.S., Geography

**Jordan Michael Winter** River Falls  
B.A., Psychology

**Taylor Fay Winter** Sun Prairie  
B.S., Physics

**Karsen Anna Wise** \* Grafton  
B.S., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Henry Flynn Wisner** Eau Claire  
B.A., History

**Kora Brin Witthun** \*\*\* Ripon  
*University Honors*  
B.S., Psychology and Criminal Justice

**Jordan Avery Witzel** \* Woodbury, MN  
B.A., Communication

**Dawson Joshua Wodsedalek** North Fond du Lac  
B.F.A., Art

**Zechariah Daniel Wojtczak** Cadott  
B.A., Political Science

**Sierra Hope Wojtysiak** \*\*\*  
B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Cassidy Jane Wolf** \* Maplewood, MN  
B.S., Criminal Justice

**Carmen Elizabeth Wolfe** Wausau  
B.A., Integrated Strategic Communication

**Annika Rose Wolfgram** \*\* West Bend  
B.S., Psychology

**Samuel Adam Wood** \* Hartland  
B.S., Biology

**Casie Rae Woods** Ladysmith  
B.S., Psychology

**Leah Marie Woodward** \*\* Chippewa Falls  
*University Honors*  
B.A., English

**Emma Louise Wyman** \*\*\* Saint Michael, MN  
B.A., Theatre Arts

**Jialin Xu** China  
B.S., Materials Science and Engineering

**Erika Dawn Yawn** Cumberland  
B.S., Psychology

**Ningning Yu** China  
B.S., Computer Science

**Zhongyue Yu** \* China  
B.S., Computer Science

**Peter A Zacher III** † Egan, MN  
B.S., Chemistry

**Danielle Zahn** \*\*\* Seymour  
*University Honors*  
B.S., Biology and Public Health

**Alexander Vincent Zanotti** \*\*\* Kenosha  
B.S., Political Science

**Zeyang Zhang** China  
B.S., Computer Science

**Haoran Zhu** China  
B.S., Mathematics

**Lindsey Marie Zoller** \* Mauston  
B.A., Psychology

**Emma Zondlo** Shakopee, MN  
B.A., Psychology

**Grace Ellen Zsido** Stevens Point  
B.A., Psychology

**Nicholas A. Zuck** \*\* Chaska, MN  
B.M., Music

**Emily Kay Zwiefelhofer** Bloomer  
B.A., Communication



# College of Education and Human Sciences

## MASTER'S DEGREES

M.S.-Communication Sciences and Disorders Program Advisor:  
Angela Sterling-Orth, M.S., CCC-SLP

M.S.-Athletic Training Program Advisor:  
Corey Hannah, Ed.D.

**Nichol Danielle Golub** Vancouver, WA  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.S., 2020, Utah State University  
B.S., 2017, Indiana University

**Allison Rose Harvey** Eau Claire  
M.S., Athletic Training  
B.S., 2022, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire  
Research Project: The relationship between initial concussion symptoms, post-concussion symptom score, and return to play time-frame  
Research Advisor: Dr. Rachel Kleis

**Megan Mary Jones** Onalaska  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.A.Sc., 2021, University of Minnesota-Duluth

**Diane Janelle Katzberger** Orland Park, IL  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.S., 2005, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Lily Jeanne Kuhaupt** Neenah  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.S., 2020, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

**Jennifer Nelle Loepfe** Minneapolis, MN  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.A., 2014, Lawrence University

**Domonique Marseille** Atlanta, GA  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.A., 2016, Georgia State University

**Hannah Kay Meyer** Colfax  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.S., 2021, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

**Emily Monson** Hutchinson, MN  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.A.Sc., 2021, University of Minnesota-Duluth

**Maranda Murphy** Cedarburg  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.S.E., 2021, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Stephanie A. O'Connell** Appleton  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.S., 2019, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

**Kate Marie Patek** Valders  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.A., 2021, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Alana Marie Petz** Eau Claire  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.A., 2019, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

**Emily Victoria Reynolds** Middletown, RI  
M.S., Communication Sciences and Disorders  
B.S., 2008, Salve Regina University

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DNP Project: Increasing Advanced Directive Documentation in High-Risk Populations: A Quality Improvement Project  
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DNP Project: Increasing Colorectal Cancer Screening Knowledge Among Panel Managers and preventive Health Coordinators Through Education  
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D.N.P., Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner)  
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DNP Project: Evaluation of Education for Primary Care Providers to Increase Pediatric Vaccination Completion Rates  
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DNP Project: An Educational Intervention to Reduce Oxygen Therapy Use at End of Life at a Free-standing Hospice Facility  
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DNP Project: Improving Attitudes and Perception on Communication and Teamwork Skills Among Interdisciplinary Team Members in an Outpatient Clinic Setting through Evidence-Based Educational Sessions: A Quality Improvement Project  
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DNP Project: Reducing the Risk of Propofol Diversion Through Education and Improving Disposal Practice: A Quality Improvement Initiative  
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DNP Project: An Educational Intervention to Improve Palliative Care Providers' and Oncology Nurses' Knowledge About Intravenous Lidocaine for Opioid-Refractory Cancer Pain  
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DNP Project: Effect of Computer Based Training (CBT) on Inpatient Nurses' Knowledge of Central Venous Catheter Care and Maintenance  
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M.S.N. Master of Science in Nursing

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B.B.A. Bachelor of Business Administration

B.F.A. Bachelor of Fine Arts

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## HONORS PROGRAMS

The University Honors Program cultivates a challenging and supportive learning community that encourages highly motivated, high-potential students to develop fully in their distinctive abilities, creating a foundation for sustained intellectual, professional, and personal growth. The Honors Program at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire offers a rigorous and evolving curriculum that assists students in the pursuit of creativity, innovation, discovery, and engagement across disciplines. Honors students often have significant responsibility for the design and execution of learning activities within their honors coursework, and many honors students engage in undergraduate research that is uniquely matched to their experiences, skills, and longer-term goals. The program offers an enhanced education, enabling students to integrate honors liberal education courses, honors

## ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic apparel traditional 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

interdisciplinary seminars, honors work in their major and minor programs, and honors experiential learning opportunities into a high-value whole. The Honors Program has two components: University Honors and Departmental Honors. Students may graduate with honors by completing one component or both. 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 a silver cord.

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, professor emerita of mathematics, who served for 15 years as chair of the University Senate and commencement marshal. 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.

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Each year, seniors have an opportunity to commemorate their graduation by making a gift to the UW-Eau Claire Foundation. This year, nearly 200 graduates joined our community of alumni and donors who support UW-Eau Claire each year.

Graduates were encouraged to donate to any area of the university that has had a profound impact on their time as a Blugold, including academic departments, campus programs, athletic teams, or the Excellence Fund to support UW-Eau Claire's greatest needs. By making a Senior Class gift, these graduates have supported current and future Blugolds even before they've become alumni.

Graduates who made a Senior Class Gift have received Blugold Spirit Cords to wear during the Commencement celebrations and to display proudly in recollection of their time at UW-Eau Claire. Each graduate who made a gift was also given an opportunity to celebrate a favorite faculty or staff member with a Blugold Tribute. The UW-Eau Claire Foundation will honor these faculty and staff with a certificate that includes the name of the graduate who has chosen to honor them.

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Kagee Vue  
Taylor Wann  
Lauren Waraksa  
Annie Ward  
Andrew Weiss  
Atalissa Wells  
Anna Wendorff  
Christina Westman  
Leigha White  
Hannah Wickstrom  
Mackenzie Will  
Jenna Wille  
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Catherine Xiong  
Seana Yang  
Dorcas Yeoh  
Karisa Zakoski  
Alexander Zanotti  
Madison Zerr  
Brock Zukowski

# Alumni Awards

Twelve Blugold alumni and friends of the university received University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Alumni Association awards on Friday, May 19.

## HONORARY ALUMNUS AWARD

The Honorary Alumnus Award is presented to non-alumni or non-degreed alumni who have demonstrated great love of and service to UW-Eau Claire or the greater community.



### Mary Jane "MJ" Brukardt

Brukardt, who will retire in July, has been a UW-Eau Claire staff member since 2007. She serves as chief of staff to the chancellor and executive director of marketing and planning at UW-Eau Claire, following positions reporting to the presidents of Eastern Washington University, UW-Milwaukee and The Johnson Foundation, a national operating foundation located in the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Wingspread conference center. Prior to her career in higher education, Brukardt served in marketing positions for a number of nonprofit organizations, including the Florentine Opera Co. in Milwaukee.

"Her scope of influence and impact on the university is extensive," says Kimera Way, CEO of the UW-Eau Claire Foundation. "The quality and volume of work she has produced for the university is unmatched. She is the embodiment of collaboration and collegiality."

During her tenure at UW-Eau Claire, she helped to facilitate planning at the university, college and departmental levels, based on collaborative engagement by faculty, staff, students, alumni and external stakeholders. She has facilitated the development of six institutional strategic plans and assisted university leadership in three restructuring initiatives over the past 16 years.

"Her support to me has been invaluable, anchored in her passionate commitment to our students and to the people of our campus community," Chancellor James Schmidt says.

In addition to her work for UW-Eau Claire, Brukardt has facilitated and helped to develop strategic plans for Saginaw Valley State College, Michigan; the School of Business at St. John Fisher College in Rochester, New York; the College of Business at Texas Women's University in Denton, Texas; and the National Women's Hall of Fame in New York. She also has consulted with the College of Education and Human Service Professions at the University of Minnesota Duluth, the UW-Eau Claire Foundation and the Pablo Foundation. She also has provided strategic consultation for the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities and the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.

Brukardt is the author of two books, a monograph and numerous articles on institutional planning and change management. She served on the board of directors for the Network for Change and Continuous Innovation in Higher Education.

She received her bachelor's degree in English literature from Wilfred Laurier University in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, and her master's degree in philanthropic studies from Indiana University. She considers UW-Eau Claire her "academic home."

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\*The graduates listed here made their gift in advance of the Commencement program's print deadline. Graduates who made a Senior Class Gift through the end of the semester are also appreciated for their contributions.



**Mark Stoering**

Stoering’s career spanned nearly 40 years, predominately in the technology, electric and gas utility sectors. He retired at the end of 2022 after 33 years at Xcel Energy, where he helped lay the foundation for the company’s industry-leading clean-energy strategy. From 2012-22, Stoering served as president and CEO

of Xcel Energy’s Wisconsin and Michigan operating company, headquartered in Eau Claire.

Stoering says it was an exciting decade that brought significant change to the industry and many new products and services to Wisconsin customers, including nation-leading renewable energy and carbon-reduction programs. He proudly highlights the opportunity to partner with federal, state and local officials, including UW-Eau Claire Chancellor James Schmidt, Foundation CEO Kimera Way and others, in making shared initiatives successful to help support the local community, advance economic development and environmental stewardship.

Stoering was actively involved in initiatives that promote UW-Eau Claire and the Eau Claire community. Through the Xcel Energy Foundation and the company’s local philanthropy, he supported thousands of dollars in funding for UW-Eau Claire over the years and advocated for a first-of-its-kind sustainability project for the County Materials Complex. Xcel Energy was a significant donor to the Pablo Center at the Confluence project, and Stoering served on the Eau Claire arts board, which is the Pablo ownership entity, and numerous other boards including the Gateway Industrial Park Corp.

In his advice to new graduates, Stoering suggests they trust and invest in themselves.

“Know you will have to take some risks that will likely feel uncomfortable,” Stoering says. “Try to embrace them and the challenges they present. Many of those very experiences will significantly form who you are personally and professionally.”

He recommends graduates surround themselves with a strong team and overcommunicate shared goals.

“Support your team, allow and facilitate each member’s contribution to team success,” Stoering says. “Winning as a team positions you to successfully address the next challenge.”



**Nobuyoshi “Nobu” Yasuda**

At the age of 3, Yasuda started to play the violin. His love of music has never diminished as he has been a professor of music and director of the University Symphony Orchestra at UW-Eau Claire for 32 years.

Yasuda has been an active violin soloist and chamber musician throughout the U.S. and Japan. He has conducted such orchestras as the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Osaka Philharmonic in Japan and Hannover NDR Philharmonic in Germany. With the Chippewa Valley Symphony Orchestra, he enjoys sharing the joy of making music with its enthusiastic musicians.

His reputation as an inspiring teacher and conductor led to his invitation to conduct the Wisconsin High School State Honors Orchestra and the Illinois All-State Orchestra. He was a conductor of the 2022 National Association for Music Education All-National Honor Orchestra.

“Nobu is the driving force behind the University Symphony Orchestra and the Chippewa Valley Symphony — he is synonymous with those two organizations,” Kimera Way, Foundation CEO, says. “His passion for his music, conducting and inspiring musicians of all ages is contagious. Nobu is a bright light who has indelibly impacted UW-Eau Claire and a light that future generations will struggle to emulate.”

Yasuda, who will retire after this spring semester, was the inspiration that led to the creation of the Cohen String Quartet Scholarship Fund that provides full scholarships to the quartet’s four members. The scholarship has been a tremendous recruiting and retention tool for the music and theatre arts department’s ability to attract exceptional string musicians to UW-Eau Claire.

Yasuda’s motto in life is, “Do your best right now, right here. Make it your habit.” He advises people to let their curiosity and imagination lead them to explore on their life journey.

“And keep dreaming, keep learning and your life will be exciting,” Yasuda says.

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.



**Dr. Gresham Collom ‘15**

bachelor’s degree in criminal justice

Collom is an educational policy researcher and educator in St. Paul, Minnesota, and this fall, he will be an assistant professor at St. Cloud State University in the higher education administration program. He also is a

researcher in UW-Madison’s Student Success Through Applied Research Lab, where he was awarded a \$500,000 research grant to lead a project to increase access to scholarships and grants for Indigenous American college students.

As a doctoral student and postdoctoral researcher at the University of Tennessee, Collom partnered with state agencies and national foundations, such as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, to conduct research on the state’s free-college programs (Tennessee Promise and Tennessee Reconnect). He also was an adjunct professor at the University of Tennessee and UW-Whitewater, and spent several months working for a nonprofit organization and research center, Research for Action.

Collom, a first-generation college graduate and a member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican tribe, says he is the beneficiary of policies and programs established to support marginalized

populations as they pursue postsecondary education. Through his research, Collom has been committed to improving educational systems for low-income and minority populations, as he believes education can be a driving force to improve equity and educational opportunities.

“I was not the best student while at UWEC,” Collom says. “I changed my major (and preferred career) multiple times, frustrated many professors and took two extra years to earn my bachelor’s degree. But the lessons I learned as a college student at UWEC, both academically and personally, shaped who I am today.”

Collom credits criminal justice professors Dr. Randall Beger and Dr. Justin Patchin for making him feel like he belonged on campus and in the academic program.

“I try to emulate their behaviors when I teach as an adjunct instructor now, and always try to find the positives in my students’ work,” Collom says.

Collom reminds UW-Eau Claire’s spring graduates that they shouldn’t be afraid to fail. He recalls being scared to tackle tasks he wasn’t good at during his college years.

“I struggled and failed while at UWEC,” Collom says. “I’ll assuredly fail again, and that’s OK. It just means I’m still trying.”



**Martha Seroogy ‘09**

bachelor’s degree in communication

Seroogy is an arts marketer with over a decade’s experience in the music and entertainment industries. She currently is the vice president of marketing and partnerships at Blue Note Entertainment Group, where she oversees publicity and

promotions for over 450 concerts and events annually throughout Hawaii and California.

Seroogy lives in Honolulu, Hawaii, and directs marketing and business development at Blue Note Hawaii, a 350-seat venue located on Waikiki Beach, presenting live music of all genres and comedy year-round. She has had the privilege of working with artists such as Jeff Goldblum, Kenny G, George Clinton and Parliament Funkadelic.

In addition to the Hawaii venue, Seroogy leads marketing and publicity for the Blue Note Jazz Festival in Napa, California, an event curated by pianist Robert Glasper and hosted by comedian Dave Chappelle. The three-day, 12,000-capacity festival features jazz, R&B and hip-hop icons.

Seroogy was inspired to pursue a career in the music industry through her experiences at UW-Eau Claire, where she managed the jazz studies office and served as the student festival director for the Eau Claire Jazz Festival. Post-graduation, in 2009, she worked as communications director for the festival and held part-time positions with the Chippewa Valley Youth Symphony, Amble Down Records and Grammy-winning indie band Bon Iver.

“I was never the most outgoing person growing up, and when I fell into a leadership role with the Jazz Festival it helped me to realize what I’m capable of,” Seroogy recalls.

Seroogy, who minored in music at UW-Eau Claire, is an active violist whose highlights include performances with rapper Eminem, ukulele artist Jake Shimabukuro, and classical music stars Lang Lang and Joshua Bell with the Hawai’i Symphony Orchestra.

Seroogy urges graduates to be prepared, patient, curious and willing to learn from their mistakes and successes.

“Become part of your community,” Seroogy says. “Volunteer or join boards that interest you. Make connections and find people who inspire you. Your biggest asset is your network. You never know what opportunities may arise.”



## PRESIDENT'S AWARD

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



**Keith Donnermeyer '75**  
bachelor's degree in accounting

Donnermeyer "embodies what it means to be a true Blugold," says Kimera Way, Foundation CEO, describing the alumnus who was successful in his professional life while volunteering for nonprofit organizations before and after his

retirement.

He worked for the public accounting firm Deloitte & Touche in Milwaukee, San Francisco and Sacramento for most of his career, being admitted as a partner in 1987. As a national leader of Deloitte's life science & health care practice, he served in a number of industry capacities, including as dean and one of the program developers for the University of California, Berkeley, BioPharma Executive Institute from 2007-13; a presenter and the chair of the CBI Life Sciences Accounting & Reporting Congress from 2012-15; and a member of the board of directors of the BayBio Association in San Francisco for nine years. He also served on the boards of the American Red Cross and Ronald McDonald House in Milwaukee

and chair of the Sacramento and San Francisco chapters of the American Heart Association.

Donnermeyer has served on the UW-Eau Claire Foundation board of directors since 2015. As past chair, he guided the board during development of the Sonnentag project and construction of the Flesch Family Welcome Center.

Donnermeyer and his wife, Char, whom he met the week of UW-Eau Claire graduation in 1975, also have consistently responded to requests for support to invest in UW-Eau Claire and its students with their gracious, kind and generous gifts, Way says.

In reflecting on his time at UW-Eau Claire, Donnermeyer recommends that new graduates be more concerned with what they want to do in life, rather than what they want to be. He suggests focusing on mentoring others and making wherever you work a better place than you found it.

"Too many people obsess over things and achievements, and as a result they miss the beauty of what life is all about," Donnermeyer says. "Don't be afraid of taking risks. That is how you grow. Most importantly, cherish your family and friends."



**Abigail Rindo '05**  
bachelor's degree in art

Rindo is a passionate storyteller and veteran game maker, shipping more than 20 titles on various platforms in her career. Using her skills in creative direction and design, she has helped to create memorable new game worlds and

worked with some of the most beloved brands in the world on entries like Candy Crush Saga and Disney Heroes.

Rindo says her Blugold education has contributed to her agility and curiosity as she uses the illustration and art history knowledge she gained at UW-Eau Claire every day in her work.

"I would not have been able to seamlessly move between crafts in games without the scientific and academic mindset granted to me by a liberal arts degree," Rindo says. "On any given day I could use information from my science, art or literature courses."

Rindo says the critical peer feedback she received in her art education courses prepared her to be a gaming industry leader "and helped me ensure high-quality work when I created concept and marketing art early in my game career."

"It also helped me build resilience when it comes to having my own work judged and critiqued," she says.

Artist, writer and world traveler, Rindo lives blissfully in Stockholm, Sweden, with her husband and their pets. She has some advice for new Blugold graduates.

"My career path has been a bit of a winding road," Rindo says when asked about advice to graduates. "Don't be afraid for yours to be the same. The world we live in is complex and there are a lot of interesting problems to solve in it. Try new things, follow your passions and aim for the highest possible quality in your endeavors. Look at the people you admire in your field and strive for the same level of craftsmanship in your work. Make work you can be proud of."



**Brenda Zamzow '84**  
bachelor's degree in business administration

After growing up on a farm in a small Wisconsin town, Zamzow wanted to obtain a college degree to help her see the world and create a different kind of life.

"Getting into UW-Eau Claire was one of the most exciting and proudest moments of my life to that point, and a pivotal turning point for me personally," Zamzow says. "I learned independence, the importance of new and varied friendships, the power of networking and witnessing different views, and the joy in a seemingly endless sea of opportunity."

Zamzow is the chief financial and administrative officer for the Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles and a key member of the executive leadership team. She is responsible for the \$24 million annual operating budget; the 18 owned and leased properties; human resources and diversity, equity and inclusion for more than 150 employees; cash management and strategic investments; overseeing the outsourced technology function; and risk

management. Additionally, she is responsible for the council's annual capital expenditures budget, which includes multimillion-dollar construction projects.

Prior to joining GSGLA, Zamzow founded and led The Zamzow Group Inc., an accounting services firm providing seasoned financial professionals to clients including Sony Pictures Entertainment, Warner Bros., Ernst & Young (EY) and Southern California Edison. She spent 10 years at Fox Television, one of the world's largest media conglomerate companies, highlighted by her work as vice president of Twentieth Century and general manager of FoxStar Productions. Zamzow began her career in the London office of EY and relocated to Los Angeles.

Zamzow was named an ICON: Women of Note by Financial Executives International, received the CFO of the Year Award from the Los Angeles Business Journal, was named to the inaugural class of the Top 40 Women of Influence by LA Biz and was included among the top 100 Women-Owned Businesses in Los Angeles.

"My UW-Eau Claire experience taught me that I was strong and capable of accomplishing some pretty amazing things," Zamzow says. "But not alone. UW-Eau Claire taught me that to be the best you can be and to live your best life, you need to challenge yourself, you need to keep dreaming big dreams."



## ALUMNI DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Alumni Distinguished Achievement Award recognizes distinguished service to the community, state or nation in a manner that brings credit upon the award recipient and UW-Eau Claire.



### Debbie Kurth '80

bachelor's degree in psychology

Kurth, originally from Lancaster, started volunteering at an early age and hasn't stopped since. She is a civic leader in several organizations in Rancho Bernardo, a northern community in San Diego, California, where she lives, and has been

inducted into the Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame. Her support of local charities, small businesses and community enrichment has benefited the North County community for many years. She has been honored multiple times for her community leadership and volunteer work, including being recognized as the California Legislature's Woman of the Year in 2019 for the 77th Assembly District from among 250,000 women.

Kurth was the first in her family to graduate from a four-year college. After graduation, she worked for a modeling agency in Houston, Texas, which she calls "a great opportunity doing live shows and promotions." She earned her master's degree in health care and was a full-time health care administrator in San Diego, running long-term, sub-acute and primary-care facilities. Kurth

later made a career change and founded her own company called Business Services International, which specializes in meetings and special events worldwide. She remains president of BSI today.

Kurth says being a member of the Delta Zeta sorority at UW-Eau Claire was an important part of her college experience. She credits courses in her psychology major for helping her better understand and work with people, serving her both professionally and personally. Courses in her speech minor enhanced both her speaking and writing skills.

"My four years at UW-Eau Claire were a wonderful growing experience for me," Kurth says, "which helped me enter the business world better prepared."

Kurth's advice for new graduates is to be bold and make decisions based on what is best for them, knowing mistakes will be made along the way. How one handles them is what counts.

"Don't be afraid to try new things outside of your comfort zone," Kurth says. "You never know what you will discover. Everyone tells you to work hard, but it's true. If something is important to you, push yourself to see it through."



### Cinthia Rozanski '92

bachelor's degree in accounting

Cinthia Rozanski graduated magna cum laude from UW-Eau Claire with a bachelor's degree in accounting. She came to the university from Argentina to join her then-boyfriend, Horacio Rozanski, who had arrived from Argentina a year

earlier while she completed a teaching degree in Hebrew and Jewish studies. After a summer internship the year before her senior year, Cinthia received an offer to join a Big Six accounting firm upon graduation, earning her CPA license the following year.

Cinthia and Horacio were the first students from Argentina to attend UW-Eau Claire and they were married in the backyard of longtime Spanish professor Dr. Roma Hoff.

Cinthia was a UW-Eau Claire Campus Ambassador while at school, and she is grateful for the opportunities the university gave her. She was the first college graduate in her family, and she is thankful for her amazing host family who opened the doors to this country and the kind, welcoming Eau Claire community.

The university helped shape her to dedicate herself to every opportunity to volunteer and help. Among her volunteering

highlights are recording Holocaust survivors' testimonies for the Shoah Project; participating in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program; translating documents for the Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition, helping immigrants with their asylum cases; chairing the development committee of the board of trustees of her daughters' school; and volunteering countless hours through the parent associations of every school they attended.

Cinthia, who lives in the Washington, D.C., area with her husband, says she always will be grateful for the excellent education she received and the appreciation for this country's values she learned while at UW-Eau Claire. The Rozanskis have started a scholarship for first-generation college-bound Hispanic students, to help bring more young people to the place that changed their lives.

She says she always will be grateful that she attended UW-Eau Claire and suggests that graduates be open to opportunities that arise.

"I am excited for all of you who are ready to leave UW Eau Claire and see where life takes you," she says. "You have a solid foundation in the education you just acquired and the values you have lived by while a student here that will serve you well in life. As you follow the path ahead, remain true to what you learned here, always give back and never let fear keep you from chasing a new opportunity."



### Dr. Melissa Spagnolo Sherman '93

bachelor's degree in chemistry

Sherman says her career has been spent harnessing science to build businesses that solve customer problems profitably. She has worked in multiple diverse industries, including fashion apparel,

consumer products, surgical products, health care and analytical instrumentation.

Today, as CEO of MOBILion Systems Inc., in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, she has raised \$115 million in venture capital to build the life science tools and diagnostic company that harnesses a disruptive technology to better predict, diagnose and treat disease. Sherman says she and her 80-member team "punch above our weight" in a challenging industry dominated by multibillion-dollar publicly traded companies.

"What we do is really hard – the science is difficult, the macroeconomic environment is difficult," Sherman says. "However, getting our instruments into our customers' hands will enable safer, more effective drugs that get to market faster, and it will allow diseases to be diagnosed earlier and with greater accuracy."

Sherman was named a 2022 regional award winner for the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award; received the 2002 Dealmaker of the Year Award from Smart Business Dealmakers; was a 2021 winner of the Women in Leadership Gold Leaf Award from the Society of Professional Women; and was a 2021 CEO of the Year finalist from the Philadelphia Alliance of Capital and Technology.

Sherman says her experiences at UW-Eau Claire were "second to none" with challenging courses, small class sizes and access to research projects early in her collegiate career. She realizes today that she was one of only a few female students in the chemistry program, but she didn't notice at the time.

"The professors treated me with infinite respect, I was given ample opportunities, and I was told, 'Hey, you are really good at this' by my physics, chemistry and biology professors," Sherman says. "I was truly supported and encouraged."

Her advice to new graduates?

"Don't be in a rush, realize you will never know it all and consider every person you interact with as an opportunity to learn and grow," Sherman says. "Have face-to-face interactions with people and really listen and learn. Problem-solving and networking will be your superpowers."

## LIFETIME EXCELLENCE AWARD

The Lifetime Excellence Award is presented to 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."



### Horacio Rozanski '90

bachelor's degree in business administration

Rozanski grew up in Argentina and came to the U.S. to attend UW-Eau Claire based on the university's strong academic rating. His then-girlfriend, Cinthia, joined him at the university a year later. He graduated summa cum laude from UW-Eau Claire with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

"We made a completely uninformed choice," Rozanski says of the decision he and Cinthia made to attend UW-Eau Claire, "but it turned out to be fantastic. People were so incredibly welcoming."

Rozanski attended the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business (now renamed the Booth School) for two years to receive his MBA in 1992. In summer 1991, he earned an internship at Booz Allen Hamilton, a management and government consulting firm. Cinthia and Horacio married in 1992, and a few weeks later he rejoined Booz Allen, now full time in Cleveland.

Booz Allen has been Rozanski's professional home for the past 31 years and counting. He had a chance to work around the world and explore multiple disciplines, from consulting to data geek to human

resources to senior executive. In 2015, he became Booz Allen's eighth CEO in the firm's 109-year history. During his tenure as CEO, Booz Allen has been recognized as an industry leader and innovator, including in areas like cybersecurity and artificial intelligence. He also serves on the board of directors of Marriott International.

From his experiences at UW-Eau Claire, Booz Allen and other places, Horacio has developed a passion for paying it forward. He chairs the board of Children's National Hospital in Washington, D.C., and serves on the board of CARE USA, and the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum's Committee of Conscience. Together with Cinthia, they support several philanthropic causes, from UW-Eau Claire students to medical residents, always looking to help people from diverse backgrounds reach their full potential.

"Being yourself is a process," Rozanski says to new graduates. "Like graduating college, it is hard work. It took me decades to figure out who I am, and I'm not done yet. Then comes being comfortable showing who you are to others. And ultimately, allowing yourself to both be you and part of something bigger than just you — a family, a community, a nation.

"You began a process of self-discovery at UWEC that will hopefully lead to self-actualization, joy and happiness. Keep going and don't slow down. My wish for you is that years from now, you will look in the mirror and like who you see. That's the biggest success of all!"

# Leadership

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## GRADS, WELCOME TO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION!

The UW-Eau Claire Alumni Association strives to keep UW-Eau Claire's nearly 100,000 alumni connected to the university and to each other.

The Alumni Association has served the university's alumni, current students, faculty and staff since 1921.

Every UW-Eau Claire graduate is a full-fledged member of the association (no dues required!) and eligible for all Alumni Association events and benefits.

## stay connected



Here's how to keep updated on all things blue and gold

### ■ Annual events

#### HOMECOMING

A celebration all about you. Come home, Blugolds!

#### GOLDEN BLUGOLD DAY

Lunch, tours and presentations for alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago.

#### ALUMNI AWARDS

Presented during May and December commencement.

### ■ Special events

We host reunions and gatherings of all kinds on campus and around the country. Talk to us about where you'd like to see fellow Blugolds, and watch our events calendar online. We hope to see you again soon!

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## ALMA MATER

Melody by William Croft  
Harmonized by George Frederick Handel

Words by Mark D'Amico  
and William Oesterreich  
Members of The Singing Statesmen, 1969

1. Oh School of Eau Claire, our voic - es we raise; Ac - cept thou this  
2. Give hon - or to thee, and sing out thy name. Oh col - lege of

an - them of un - dy - ing praise. We pledge to be faith - ful, stout  
ours, we dear - ly ac - claim. In - still thou with - in us a

heart - ed and strong. And cher - ish thy mem - ry as our lives are long.  
feel - ing of pride. We pray Al - ma Ma - ter for - ev - er a - bide.

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are placed between the lines of the score.

## a history of excellence in teaching and learning

### Eau Claire State Normal School 1916–27

The school offered one-, two- and three-year preparation programs for elementary and secondary teachers and school principals. Programs would be housed in a single building, then called Old Main and later named Schofield Hall, for 35 years.

### Eau Claire State Teachers College 1927–51

With this name change in 1927 came the introduction of a four-year bachelor of education degree program and accreditation by the American Association of Teachers Colleges. This was a time of academic program expansion as well as growth of the campus footprint with the acquisition of 20 acres atop the bluff overlooking campus for future expansion.

### Wisconsin State College at Eau Claire 1951–64

In 1951 the school was granted authority to offer a four-year liberal arts curriculum leading to a bachelor of arts or bachelor of science degree. Major construction projects, as well as the gift of 200-acre Putnam Park from the city of Eau Claire and the acquisition of 23 additional acres for upper campus, greatly changed the face of campus during this time.

### Wisconsin State University-Eau Claire 1964–71

This era of vast change under the leadership of President Leonard Haas saw the creation of the schools of Arts and Sciences, Education and Graduate Studies in 1964, followed by the School of Nursing in 1965 and School of Business in 1966. Nearly 17 new buildings were completed or under construction during this time as well.

### University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire 1971–present

Over the last 45 years, UW-Eau Claire has established itself as a nationally ranked public regional university that prepares students to succeed in a connected world — a world influenced by global economic and social forces. It has a widespread reputation for its outstanding, engaged faculty and staff who are dedicated to providing students with transformative learning experiences, and for a culture in which students play an integral role in shaping the university's future.

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1952  
Teacher education students  
in the observation deck of  
the former Campus School

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