



## **UW-Eau Claire Wins Prestigious Community Service Award**

The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire has recently received recognition on the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll 2014. This Honor Roll recognizes universities that have shown a great dedication to community service. UW-Eau Claire is proud to be selected as one of the universities in the United States that has students willing to help others through service. The 2014 Honor Roll focuses on community service hours from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 with 6,100 students recording their service hours. Within the Center for Service-Learning alone, 984 students participated in 30 hours of service and 553 students participated in 15 hours of service for a total of 37,815 hours.

In addition to noncredit options, credit option service-learning courses accounted for 63,660 additional hours. UW-Eau Claire students were also found doing 251,106 hours beyond the service-learning requirement for a grand total of 355,581. According to the Independent Sector, the value of a volunteer for the state of Wisconsin is \$21.78 per hour for 2013 ([independentsector.org](http://independentsector.org)). UW-Eau Claire students provided over \$7.7 million in support to our communities through service.

Eau Claire and surrounding communities are fortunate to have students who realize that it is important to give back to the community in which they live, which shows the extraordinary dedication from the Blugold students. UW-Eau Claire continues the tradition of excellence by helping the larger community through service.