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UWM Student Updates

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Walk-in vaccination clinic added Dec. 21

The last on-campus walk-in COVID-19 vaccination clinics of the semester will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, in the UWM Student Union.

Pfizer, Moderna and J&J vaccine will be available, including separate Pfizer pediatric doses for children 5 to 11 years old. Before arriving at the clinic, parents and guardians should pre-register their child and complete the consent form at this [Wisconsin Department of Health Services link](#).

First and second doses of vaccines are available, as well as booster doses for [all individuals who are 16 and older](#). Please bring your vaccine card or proof of vaccine via the [Wisconsin Immunization Registry](#) if you have received previous vaccinations. For booster doses, it must be at least six months since receiving the primary vaccines series.

More information is [available online](#).

A few tips on how to succeed during finals

You've invested a lot of time and energy into learning this semester, and now all that hard work is coming together — finals are here! Exams can be demanding and stressful. Consider these strategies to set yourself up for academic success by taking care of your health and well-being.

- **Unplug** — Turn your devices and notifications off to reduce distractions while studying. When it's time for a break, get some exercise before (or instead of) looking at social media. Exercise is an effective way to reduce stress and help clear (vs. clutter) your head for the next study session.
- **Get some sleep** — about eight hours each night. Consistent, quality sleep supports memory, information processing and problem solving. Study hard, then sleep on it!
- **Avoid alcohol and other drugs** — doing so will protect your sleep, cognitive performance and study time. Stimulant drugs (e.g., Adderall) that aren't prescribed for you may seem like a solution for heavy cramming, but research shows that students who take prescription stimulants without a prescription see a drop in their GPA in the long run. In addition, the risk of addiction and overdose is real.

For more tips and resources on health and well-being, follow Norris Health Center on Instagram [@nhc_hpw](#) or go to [Norris Health Center](#).

Student Union parking garage open during break

Update: The Student Union parking garage will be open during the winter break. Concrete repairs that had been scheduled to take place over winter break will instead take place during the summer.

As a result, a WinterIM permit is available for parking at the Student Union garage at the cost of \$52.

Additional federal emergency aid available in spring semester

Additional federal aid for students from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund

(HEERF) will be available during the Spring 2022 term.

UWM has already disbursed close to \$30 million in HEERF money since the start of the pandemic in March 2020. Based upon current legislation, the funds to be released during the spring 2022 term are likely to be the last.

Students who were enrolled in the fall 2021 semester and received a HEERF grant in Fall 2021 do not need to reapply if they are enrolled in the Spring 2022 term. Students will receive consideration based upon their prior application.

All other students who feel they are eligible would need to complete and submit an application. The link to the application will be provided via a campus announcement in early January 2022.

The application will be available starting Monday, Jan. 3, 2022, and will be open until midnight on Monday, Jan. 31, 2022. [Read more](#).

Mortar Board honors society now accepting applications

Mortar Board, a national honor society that recognizes college seniors for distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership and service, is now accepting applications. Students can apply for themselves, or staff and students can nominate a student.

Mortar Board organizes and hosts fundraisers throughout the year, holds volunteer service events and allows members to network professionally, socially and academically. Its mission is to excel in scholarship, leadership and service.

Requirements to join: junior standing at UWM and a minimum of 3.0 GPA. All majors and backgrounds are encouraged to apply. (We will consider GPAs below 3.0, if a student has vast volunteer or leadership involvement.)

Applications are due Dec. 22; selections will be made Jan. 3. [Read more](#).

Student renters: Winter takes some prep

During the winter break and the colder months, student renters will want to be aware of city ordinances on parking and snow removal, as well as what to do if you lose heat in your apartment.

Parking

From Dec. 1 through March 1, various parking regulations take effect throughout the city. Some residential streets are restricted to parking on a single side of the street. Be sure to check the signs on your street on whether parking is allowed between Dec. 1 and March 1, or if you must park on alternate sides of the street.

Snow removal and emergency

Another ordinance that kicks in: Residents have 24 hours after a snowfall to clear snow from sidewalks. Failing to do so will not only result in an icy sidewalk, but residents will incur a fine that starts at \$50. Be sure to review your lease to see if your landlord has agreed to provide snow removal or if the responsibility lies with you and your roommates.

If a snow emergency has been declared, night parking regulations are in effect from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. on all city streets, regardless of winter parking rules. During a snow emergency, Milwaukee Public Schools will make some of its playgrounds and parking lots available for night parking and clean-up.

Loss of heat

With winter approaching, it is important to know what you need to do if the heat goes out in your rental unit. While losing heat can cause your rental unit to be cold, it can also lead to serious consequences for you as a tenant and your rental unit.

Remember, never turn your heat off, regardless of whether you are home or not. In addition, many leases have a temperature minimum requirement.

Even if your heat is working, but the center of each room in your unit isn't reaching at least 67 degrees F, you should follow these guidelines to get the issue fixed. [Read more.](#)

Issue that affects 911 calls on Android devices identified

An issue preventing some Android users from calling 911 with their device's phone has been identified.

Android users who have downloaded the Microsoft Teams mobile app but haven't logged into it yet may not be able to call 911 using their device's telephone. To ensure this issue does not affect your ability to contact emergency services, make sure you are signed into the Microsoft Teams application on your device. You may also update your Teams application to the latest version to mitigate this issue.

For more information, check out this UWM IT-approved [news article](#).

Civic engagement fellowships offered for spring semester

Interested in civic engagement? You might be a good fit for one of two fellowships this spring: a Campus Vote Project Democracy Fellow or a Campus Election Engagement Project Civic Influencer.

Both of these fellowships offer paid stipends and include working collaboratively with the External Relations graduate intern and the Panthers Vote coalition at UWM. The group will

work to implement nonpartisan campus voting initiatives next spring.

Interested students can learn more and apply on [Handshake](#), UWM's job search and career fair platform. Email er-grad@uwm.edu with questions.

Save the date: Housing Fair on March 15

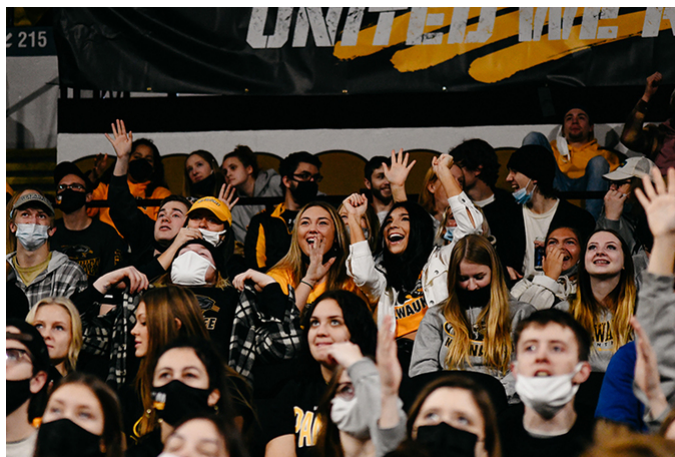
Save the date: The Neighborhood Housing Office's annual [Housing Fair](#) will be March 15, 2022, in the UWM Student Union.

The Housing Fair is a showcase of properties that are available in the area. Landlords and management companies are invited to campus to promote their available rentals to prospective off-campus residents. The event is free for students, and no registration is required.

Get ready to explore and start your search for your off-campus home.

Men's basketball to host Saint Xavier Dec. 23

Celebrate the holidays with friends and family while watching the men's basketball team host Saint Xavier at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 23, at Panther Arena. UWM is offering special guest ticket rates for family and friends of UWM students.



Click [this link](#) to claim your free UWM student ticket and discounted guest ticket.



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