

COVID updates: vaccinations, masks

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Greetings UWL students, faculty and staff,

We are thrilled to confirm that people 16 and older who live or work in Wisconsin will be eligible to register for vaccination starting Monday, April 5. This DOES include UWL students. There are a number of locations available in our area:

1. **Community-based vaccination clinic at UWL.** (Cleary Alumni Center, 615 East Ave.) Register at vaccinate.wi.gov. Those registered will receive an email when vaccine appointments become available.
2. **Local pharmacies** ([Walgreens](#) or [Wal-Mart](#)).
3. **Gundersen Health System:** Patients eligible for vaccination will be contacted by letter, phone call, or through MyChart.
4. **Mayo Health System:** Patients eligible for vaccination will be contacted by letter, phone call, or through Patient Online Services. Non-patients and patients without an online account may call [608-392-7400](tel:608-392-7400) to schedule an appointment.

If you have questions:

- Wisconsin Department of Health Services Vaccine Assistance Hotline: [1-844-684-1064](tel:1-844-684-1064) (toll-free)
- La Crosse County Health Department's Vaccine Hotline: [608-785-6240](tel:608-785-6240)
- La Crosse County Health Department's COVID questions email: covid19@lacrossecounty.org

Also, you may have heard that the Wisconsin Supreme Court struck down the governor's mask mandate, and you may have questions about what this means for campus. Based on guidance from UW System and the La Crosse County Health Department, **UW-La Crosse will not be changing our mask policy. Masks are required on campus, indoors and outdoors.**

We urge you to continue masking, distancing and following other safety precautions whether you're on campus or in the broader community. Along with getting vaccinated, these are the best tools we have to keep people safe and healthy, and to return to normal as quickly as possible.

On behalf of UWL's COVID Response Task Force co-leads, Dr. Abby Deyo and Chief Allen Hill

Thanks much,



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