# **GRADUATE OVERVIEW**

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## **Graduate Program Administration**

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#### Mission and Outcomes

The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire provides graduate education in select programs that grow clearly from institutional undergraduate strengths and that meet identifiable regional and state needs. Graduate programs foster students' intellectual development, contribute to the advancement of disciplines, and enhance students' personal lives and their ability to contribute to their professions and communities. Graduate studies at UW-Eau Claire emphasize personal working relationships between faculty and students in a variety of learning situations.

A hallmark of graduate education is scholarly and creative activity, emphasizing discipline-specific research, the acquisition of new knowledge, or the application or transmission of existing knowledge. Expected outcomes for all UW-Eau Claire graduate programs are that graduates will have the ability to:

- 1. Demonstrate advanced mastery of the methodology, techniques, and practices specific to the field of study;
- 2. Excel in written and oral communication, with the ability to convey complex ideas clearly, consistently, and logically;
- 3. Demonstrate understanding and mastery for appropriately managing a range of general and discipline-specific ethical dilemmas;
- 4. Utilize the research or scholarship of the discipline and produce scholarly or creative products consistent with disciplinary standards.

Each of the Colleges is responsible for promoting high standards of scholarship, for offering professional preparation appropriate to societal needs, and for maintaining an appropriate balance between the academic and professional components of graduate programs.

### **Graduate Faculty and Council**

The Graduate Faculty consists of about 400 faculty and academic staff who hold doctoral or appropriate terminal degrees, and who possess a broad array of special qualifications and backgrounds in their academic specialties.

The Graduate Faculty recommend to the Chancellor, and to the Board of Regents as appropriate, all major policies and programs relating to graduate

The Graduate Council is a representative body of the Graduate Faculty and graduate students and acts on their behalf. The Graduate Council serves and acts to develop and maintain standards of academic quality in all graduate programs; to provide initiative and insight in developing graduate programs to meet current, new, and emerging needs; to formulate general academic policies and procedures relating to graduate programs in the University; to foster creativity and scholarship in graduate programs; to represent the interests of the Graduate Faculty and graduate students in the University; and to advise the Graduate Dean concerning the administration of graduate education.