

# Johnny "Blaze" Blue Devil

University of Wisconsin-Stout  
Mascot & Website Avatar

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## Skills

- Collaborator
- Global marketer
- Nonverbal communicator
- Creative and critical thinker
- Blue Flame summoner

## EDUCATION (Most recent and select degrees)

In Progress	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity</u></a> <b>Minor: Entrepreneurship and Innovation</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
In Progress	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering</u></a> <b>Minor: Architecture</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
2019	<a href="#"><u>Master of Fine Arts in Design</u></a> <b>Design for Sustainability Certificate</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
2017	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Fine Arts in Industrial Design</u></a> <b>Minor: Art History</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
2015	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science</u></a> <b>Minor: Cultural Anthropology</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
2014	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design</u></a> <b>Minor: Sales &amp; Marketing</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
2012	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Science in Health, Wellness &amp; Fitness</u></a> <b>Minor: Coaching</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
1988	<a href="#"><u>Master of Science in Management Technology</u></a> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
1978	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Science in Building Construction</u></a> <b>Minors: History and Philosophy</b> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
1974	<a href="#"><u>Master of Science in Vocational Education</u></a> University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI
1929	<a href="#"><u>Bachelor of Science in Industrial Education</u></a> The Stout Institute, Menomonie, WI
1909	<a href="#"><u>Manual Training Certificate</u></a> The Stout Institute, Menomonie, WI

GPA: 3.79

## SELECT UNIVERSITY HONORS & AWARDS

Chancellor's Award | Dean's List | National Honor Society  
Samuel E. Wood Medallion Award | Scholar Athlete

2017	<a href="#"><u>Best WIAC Football Helmet</u></a>
2012	All-Time Spirit Squad Performer Award
1945	Community Impact Award
1922	Most Mysterious Mascot

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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2000 - Present      **Graphic Designer**, Marketing Communications  
*University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI*

- Pushed for redesign and implementation of [new university logo](#) (2023)
- Accepted responsibilities as website avatar (2022)
- Imprinted self into Applied Arts Building's [student-designed mural](#) (2022)
- Modeled for redesign of award-winning [Athletics' Blue Devil mark](#) (2017)
- Restored Harvey Hall "Learning, Industry, Skill and Honor" [New Deal mural](#) (2016)
- Assumed persona of "Blaze," as [voted on by student community](#) (2012)

1920s - Present      **Official Mascot**, University Athletics  
*University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI*

- Embodies the [mission, vision and values](#) of UW-Stout
- Rouses Blue Devil student athletes to victory
- Ignites school spirit at athletic and club events
- Promotes polytechnic research and creativity among scholars
- Instills sense of belonging in students, fans and community members

1891 - Present      **Master Blacksmith, Carpenter, Mechanic & Mason**  
*University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI*

- Directed flame to resolder copper plates in [restoration of the Bowman Hall quill](#) (2020)
- Chiseled Dunnville sandstone for Memorial Student Center and [Merle M. Price Commons fireplace](#) (2019)
- Served as President Micheel's personal mechanic for Blue Bomber Model A Ford (1963)
- Supported scaffolding for carving of historic Harvey Hall Theatre's proscenium archway (1916)
- Stoked fires for the forging of the James Huff Stout Bell in Bowman Hall (1897)

1868 - 1917      **Laborer**  
*Menomonie Brick Company, Menomonie, WI*

- Constructed kilns and crafted brick molds
- Conjured flames to create high quality material for the construction of Bowman Hall

## SELECT PRESENTATIONS

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"A Creative Cushion: Perfecting Safety Standards of Football Helmets while Incorporating Dynamic Artwork."  
Senior Capstone Project, Industrial Design. [Research in the Rotunda](#), Madison, WI. March 8, 2017.

"How Waters Shape Us: Environmental Transformations of the Upper Midwest through the Silurian Sea, Laurentide Ice Sheet and the Modern Red Cedar Watershed."  
Senior Capstone Project, Environmental Science. [Research Day](#), University of Wisconsin-Stout. May 5, 2015.

"Interdimensional Travel and the Space-Time Continuum: Its Effects on the Physiological Confines of the Human Body."  
New Instructor Workshop, Applied Science. [Cadaver Lab](#), University of Wisconsin-Stout. August 27, 2001.

"The Makings of an Admirable Monster: Perspectives from Beyond the Etherverse. A Self-Reflection and Peer Study."  
Haunted Wisconsin Series. Mabel Tainter Center for the Arts, Menomonie, WI. October 31, 1983.

"Conservation in Construction: Dunn County Architecture, Dunnville Sandstone and the Necessary Reforestation of Wisconsin when Observing the [Stout Grove](#)."  
Conservation Summit. Co-Presented with [Louis Smith Tainter](#), Knapp, Stout & Co. Campton, NH. May 21, 1911.

## INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS & VOLUNTEERING ABROAD

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### 1914 - **Architecture of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century**

1923  
University of Paris  
*Paris, Coeur-de-France, France*

- Studied various architectural movements to encourage future university developments
- Lent knowledge of construction and masonry to assist in the rebuilding of Paris following World War I

### **Volunteered in the French Foreign Legion – les Chasseurs Alpins – the Blue Devils**

- Rallied 88th Infantry Division's call to arms
- Honorable action and nobility of spirit led to the Blue Devil being adopted by multiple universities

### 1800 - **Engineering Studies of the Industrial Revolution**

1914  
Imperial College of London  
*London, England, United Kingdom*

- Informed James Huff Stout of industry developments and innovative technology during organization and construction of Stout Manual Trading School
- Studied burgeoning Arts and Crafts movement to reckon with the balance of industry and the arts, foreseeing collaborations between the College of Arts and Human Sciences and the College of STEM

### 1636 - **French Baroque Architecture**

1666  
Studied under Monsieur Francois Mansart  
*Paris, Coeur-de-France, France*

- Collaborated with Monsieur Mansart in construction and demolition of grand palaces and churches
- Gained confidence and competence in architectural skills, while seeking continual improvements
- Deepened appreciation for and experience with European architecture

### 1305 - **Italian Renaissance Literature and Architecture**

1308  
Studied under Signore Dante Alighieri  
*Florence, Tuscany, Italy*

- Assisted Signore Alighieri with his work, both mainstream and esoteric
- Acquired passion for architecture in the streets and piazzas of Florence
- Advanced learning and appreciation for academic discoveries

## CAMPUS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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### **Volunteer Positions**

Event hoopl-a-er, Involvement Center  
Student mentor, Residence Life Coordinator  
Local historian, University Archives

### **Organization Memberships**

American Foundry Society, Engineers Without Borders, Stout Student Association,  
Kappa Lambda Beta Co-Ed Fraternity, Student Construction Association, Veterans Club

### **Athletics and Recreation**

Alfresco Outing Club, Antique Auto Club, Blue Devil Lifting, Esports,  
Menomonie Blue Caps Vintage Baseball Team, Squirrel Scouts



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