A memo to UMW students,

The University would like to inform you about an unauthorized disclosure of personal student information.   You are receiving this notice as your own personal data was among the information that was disclosed.

On May 23rd, university officials were notified by a concerned student that files containing student name, date of birth and social security number were available and could be accessed by current users of the EagleNet portal.   The functional office responsible for the files was immediately contacted and the data files were removed.  Subsequent analysis revealed that additional unauthorized access was limited to two other individuals, and both are current UMW students.  We have since communicated directly with each of them.   Based upon our conversations with these students, we have no reason to believe that there has been any malicious intent or even inadvertent action that would further compromise your personal information.

Because one of your fellow students was proactive in notifying the university about the potential vulnerability of this information and based on the very limited exposure (three students accessed the data; we know who they are and have spoken directly with each of them), we do not believe there is a threat to your personal privacy.  However, we are notifying you of this security incident because your personal information was exposed to unauthorized access, and we are bringing this incident to your attention in accordance with the policies and procedures of UMW and the Commonwealth of Virginia. We also want to share the phone numbers of the major credit bureaus, in the event that you choose to periodically review your personal credit information:

* + Equifax, 1-800-525-6285
	+ Experian, 1-888-397-3742
	+ Trans Union, 1-800-680-7289

We deeply regret this situation and any inconvenience or concern it may cause you.  We are fully committed to maintaining the privacy of UMW student information, and we have taken steps to avoid any possible recurrence of this incident.

Should you have questions about this matter, please contact me or Rita Dunston, University Registrar, at rdunston@umw.edu or 540-654-1265.

Sincerely,

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