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INDEPENDENT INSIGHTS

Waiting for the “fat” envelope

This is the season when students receive those “fat” envelopes telling them that they have been admitted to the college or university of their choice. (Rejection letters typically arrive in the “thin” envelopes.) It is a nerve-racking time for students and parents, as well as for teachers and counselors. We all care so much about these students and their futures.

I suspect that the tension this year is at an all-time high. The headlines about the University of California’s 32 percent tuition hike and the subsequent protests are both stark and scary. Couple these headlines with job losses and home foreclosures, and it is no wonder that anxiety is changing to fear.

How about some good headlines? “You Can Go To College!” or “College Is Affordable For You!” These are not headlines from some tabloid. What the average student paid at a Wisconsin private college or university has actually gone down by 12 percent, according to the latest available figures:

	2006-07	2007-08
Average Tuition and Fees	\$ 20,925	\$ 22,033
Average Financial Aid Package	-\$ 15,083	-\$ 16,797
Average Net Tuition	\$ 5,842	\$ 5,236

Over 90 percent of all undergraduate students enrolled in a Wisconsin private college or university receive financial aid (both grants and subsidized loans). Subtracting the average

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WAICU advances educational opportunity in challenging year

2009 was a challenging year for Wisconsin’s economy. Due to a \$6 billion budget deficit, thousands of state programs faced budget cuts. Nonetheless, WAICU achieved significant successes in legislation to advance educational opportunity for students and improve the quality of life in our communities.

As the state budget went to the legislature, WAICU supported financial aid increases for all Wisconsin students. In terms of the Wisconsin Tuition Grant, this translated into a three-percent biennial increase.

Other successes in 2009:

- WAICU and a coalition of nonprofit foundations supported modernization of the state’s laws governing management of endowment funds. The new law gives colleges tools that enable them to be better stewards of charitable donations.
- WAICU and its members launched a comprehensive review of compliance with federal environmental health and safety regulations. In addition, WAICU was a key supporter of a new state law encouraging business and industry environmental compliance.

- WAICU members pledged nearly \$9 million in matching funds to help veterans attending Wisconsin private colleges take maximum advantage of the new federal G.I. Bill.

Looking ahead to 2011, WAICU’s legislative agenda will once again focus on increasing need-based financial aid funding for all Wisconsin students, whether at a WAICU, technical college, or UW campus. State financial aid dollars that help keep college affordable are key investments in getting Wisconsin’s economy moving again. ■



The Rotunda of Wisconsin’s Capitol, courtesy of wisconsin.gov.

Private College Week, July 12-17, 2010

As high school seniors are making their final decisions on the college they will attend next year, it's time for freshmen, sophomores, and juniors to begin exploring their opportunities as well. **Wisconsin Private College Week**, held this year from **July 12-17**, offers students a chance to "jump start" the college search process.

It's never too early for students and families to get a feel for the 20 private colleges and universities in the state, each with its own unique excitement. During this "open house" week, there will be tours on each campus, talks by admission and financial aid officers, and information on majors and extracurricular activities. An added benefit is the **waiver of application fees** that students will receive at each campus they visit.

The place to start is the website **PrivateCollegeWeek.com**, where students and families will find details about all 20 private nonprofit colleges and universities in Wisconsin and a way to connect instantly with admission representatives on each campus so they can sign up for a tour or ask a question.

Another important reason to visit **PrivateCollegeWeek.com** is to **register for five weekly drawings to win a \$1,000 "Go Grant"** that can be applied to tuition at any WAICU-member college or university. Winning students have up to two years to use their grant, so it's perfect for sophomores and juniors as well.

For more information, call 1-800-4 DEGREE or just head to **PrivateCollegeWeek.com** to plan your visit and register for a Go Grant.



PRIVATE COLLEGE WEEK.com
JULY 12-17 2010
From Here, You Can Go Anywhere

New student outreach efforts in 2010

For the first time in several years, **WisconsinMentor.org**, the centerpiece of WAICU's student access program, is undergoing a major redesign.

"Mentor is the gateway to a private college for tens of thousands of students," said WAICU president Rolf Wegenke, "we owe it to our students to take advantage of today's technology and be ready to answer their questions."

The "new" Mentor will still have many of the popular features of the current site. Students will still be able to access information on Wisconsin's twenty private colleges and universities, research careers, and register for free ACT/SAT test preparation assistance.

As before, students will be able to register for their own "My Mentor" section on the website. "Parents have told me how much they appreciate that option," said Wegenke, "students can track their courses to make sure they meet their high school graduation and college admission requirements. Mentor even sends automatic encouragement notes as a way of helping students stay focused on their goals."

Wegenke says the core messages of Mentor will stay the same—the affordable excellence of Wisconsin's private colleges.

The biggest change in the new Mentor will be a more contemporary look with updated photos and regularly

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The Wisconsin eTranscript Initiative: An idea whose time has come

Most college applications are currently filed online, but the school transcript has remained stubbornly on paper—until now. For several years, the Wisconsin eTranscript Initiative has been trying to move that final piece to the internet, and the project was officially launched last summer with 13 pilot schools. Now approximately 40 Wisconsin high schools are able to send transcripts electronically through Docufide, and all public and private colleges and universities in the state are primed to receive them.

Students at participating schools can request transcripts 24/7 through their high school website and have them sent to postsecondary institutions, scholarship funds, the NCAA, or employers. Best of all, the student gets e-mail confirmation at each step in the process, giving peace of mind by eliminating worries that transcripts have been delayed or misplaced.

High school counselors report that e-transcripts save them administrative time, allowing them to concentrate on more important student matters, and that the reports generated through Docufide are extremely helpful. Since September 2009, more than 7,000 e-transcripts have already been sent.

The Wisconsin eTranscript Initiative is a joint project of the Department of Public Instruction, the UW System, the Wisconsin Technical College System, and the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

For more information on the costs and benefits of e-transcripts for high schools and their students, send a message to Wletranscripts@docufide.com.

Future accountants learn 21st century crime fighting

LAKELAND COLLEGE

Ryan Barnard and his fellow investigators suspected that there was a second set of accounting books somewhere as they combed through the business establish-



Lakeland students Katelin Minton and Nicole Shavlik worked with IRS investigators learning how crimes can be hidden in ledgers.

ment. They had gotten a tip from a former employee that the owner was committing tax fraud by failing to report all his income. They had tracked bank statements and conducted a lifestyle audit to corroborate their suspicions. Now, with a search warrant in hand, bulletproof vests, and facsimile weapons drawn, Barnard, a senior from Sheboygan, and his team were going to reel in their catch.

This scenario and others, based on real cases, played out in November at Lakeland College. The college partnered with the Internal Revenue Service's Criminal Investigation Division, the law enforcement arm of the IRS, to conduct the Adrian Project, a daylong event to let students experience forensic accounting firsthand.

"Our students are seeing that a career in accounting is more than just debits and credits," said Rick Gaumer, associate professor of accounting.

It was only the second time

that the college-level version of the Adrian Project was held in Wisconsin, both times at Lakeland, which has the largest accounting program in the state. Accounting students were divided into four teams that were guided by a special agent of the IRS. Most of the students were enrolled in the college's forensic accounting course, taught by Bob Martin, a business instructor and former IRS special agent.

To solve these hypothetical crimes, students followed paper trails, gathered evidence, interviewed witnesses, and presented evidence to a judge to gain search warrants. The students utilized the same tools available to federal law enforcement officers, including undercover operations, surveillances, and subpoenas. At the end of the day, the students met to review their investigations and discuss what they had learned.

Barnard, for one, said he was intrigued by the prospect of working as an IRS special agent, and looking forward to further challenges in a profession that he considers far from mundane. ■

University strikes "gold" in reaching for "green" at the new Warch Campus Center

LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Carved into a hill and towering over the Fox River, Lawrence University's stunning new Richard and Margot Warch Campus Center is an architectural and environmental triumph.

Officially opened in September 2009, the 107,000-square-foot, \$35-million campus center provides striking vistas of the Fox River. Its amenities include a 134-seat cinema, a campus post office, a convenience store and café, meeting space for Lawrence's 97 student clubs and organizations, and 12 venues that can accommodate up to 500 guests.

The building also is so "green," it is gold, as in LEED-certified. The U.S. Green Building Council awarded the campus center gold status, the second highest designation on its certification system. It is one of only two higher education facilities in Wisconsin to achieve LEED gold or platinum certification.

"Lawrence is committed to sustainabil-

ity, and this building is evidence of that commitment," said president Jill Beck. "Responsible citizenship is one of the goals of a liberal education, and in reducing our impact on the planet we are setting an example for our campus and our community."

Among the building's environmentally friendly features are a partially vegetated roof system to absorb rainfall and decrease storm water runoff, low-flow plumbing fixtures, formaldehyde-free interior building materials to ensure healthy indoor air quality, and wood harvested with environmentally and socially responsible forest management practices. More than 96 percent of building construction waste—seven million pounds—was recycled and saved from being landfilled.

The campus center is designed to advance the mission of the college, where student interaction outside the



The Richard and Margot Warch Campus Center was built as an environmental showcase and a vehicle for the world to learn more about Lawrence University.

classroom—with other students, faculty and the local and global community—is a fundamental aspect of a Lawrence education. ■

Growing music program creates new tradition leading to valuable experience

CARDINAL STRITCH UNIVERSITY

A growing music composition program at Cardinal Stritch University has now inspired a new annual tradition: the New Music Concert. This showcase of original compositions performed by Stritch instrumentalists and vocalists provides a public venue for student composers to present their work before a live audience.



Voice major Zoe Kastania is one of dozens of Cardinal Stritch students gaining valuable experience in live performances.

“Hearing one’s compositions played by

real, live musicians is invaluable,” said Dr. Dan Maske, a faculty member and professional composer. “In this day and age, one can hear a computer play back the notes, but with real musicians, it’s a much different and much more rewarding experience. Besides being a thrill to hear, there’s a lot of learning taking place as real musicians read, interpret, and play a composition.”

Music Department chair Dr. Dennis King said the addition of the New Music Concert to the annual schedule is an indication of how the

composition program is growing, both in students and in technology.

“Our digital composition equipment has brought us up to a state-of-the-art, competitive level,” said King, specifically mentioning the computers, software, and recording technology available in the university’s music lab.

For students looking to compose music for a living, Maske said Stritch’s program prepares them well. Yet, acknowledging that the job market for composers is limited, he suggests that students work hard not only to build their experience and writing portfolio, but also to take advantage of any possible opportunity to showcase their music, especially at venues like the New Music Concert or even on the Internet.

“You never know who might be sitting in the audience at a high school band concert, or who might stumble upon an mp3 you placed on one of the many music exposure sites,” Maske said. ■

New action-oriented research center focuses on women and girls

ALVERNO COLLEGE

Continuing to build on its strong tradition of educating women and girls, Alverno College has now opened its Research Center for Women and Girls. The purpose of the center is to conduct collaborative, multidisciplinary, and action-oriented research that will result in positive social change in the lives of women and girls in the Milwaukee area and beyond.

The center, made possible thanks to a \$1 million gift from an anonymous donor, is open to the public and will host a comprehensive database of information useful to students, educators, elected officials, policy makers, and business professionals. It will also host workshops, lectures, and documentaries exploring a wide range of issues.

One of the catalysts for the creation of

the center was the 2007 *Status of Girls in Wisconsin* report. The report took a close look at the lives of the 360,000 10- to 19-year old girls in the state and included findings in the areas of reproductive health, violence, substance and alcohol abuse, and social support, among other issues. The report’s conclusions have led to subsequent research and workshops that have already resulted in positive social changes.

Alverno has long researched topics of great importance to women, but primarily internally, with the ultimate goal of encouraging young women to be active leaders in the community. The new center will build on this productive history while now extending the outreach to young girls in order to impact their lives at an earlier age.

“I envision the center as empowering women and girls and placing them at the very forefront of research and advocacy,”

said Kate Masley, director of the new center, who began her position in late summer. “The center will follow in the footsteps of Alverno’s rich history of being a unique, learning-centered, and innova-



Kate Masley is director of the Alverno College Research Center for Women and Girls.

tive institution.”

It is also Masley’s hope, and the hope of Alverno College, that the center becomes known as the premier research center for women and girls in the Midwest. ■

A reflection of ourselves: Understanding sports and culture in America

ST. NORBERT COLLEGE

Paul Tagliabue, former NFL commissioner, is to speak at an academic conference co-sponsored by St. Norbert College and the Green Bay Packers.

Tagliabue will join sports, media, and entertainment mogul Carl Vogel and Boise State University president Robert Kustra at the May 26-28 forum, "A Mirror of our Culture: Sport and Society in America."

Kevin Quinn, conference director and professor of economics at St. Norbert, says, "The people who wish to participate in the program and the quality of the presentations exceed even our high expectations."

This first-of-its-kind partnership between an NFL team and an institution of higher education will bring together national-caliber academics and business professionals. Conference events will take place both at Lambeau Field and on the St. Norbert campus.

Tagliabue will speak at St. Norbert on May 26, addressing "Sport in American

Society." Kustra's address, "Modern College Athletics: A View from the Top," is also scheduled for the same day. Vogel



Former NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue will headline a first-of-its-kind conference on sports in American society at St. Norbert College.

will speak on May 27 in the Legends Club Room at Lambeau Field, discussing "The Future of American Sports."

The speakers form a distinguished trio. Tagliabue is now senior of counsel with Covington & Burling LLP, in Washington, D.C., and New York. During Tagliabue's 17 years as commissioner, the NFL grew from 28 to 32 teams, secured the largest television contracts in entertainment history, helped build more than 20 NFL team stadiums, and expanded the NFL's global brand.

Vogel, a 1979 graduate of St. Norbert College, is partner in SCP Worldwide, which owns the National Hockey League's St. Louis Blues and major league soccer team Real Salt Lake. SCP is currently investigating the purchase of the St. Louis Rams football team.

Kustra, president of Boise State University, was appointed in 2008 to the NCAA's Division I executive committee and board of directors. He also served on the Presidential Task Force on the Future of Intercollegiate Athletics. ■

Nursing students receive virtual experience in real-world situations

EDGEWOOD COLLEGE

"Doris? We're going to start you on some oxygen," says a reassuring Maddie Whitcomb of Madison, a junior nursing major at Edgewood College.

A concerned Doris asks, "What do I need that for?"

"Your oxygen level is low, and we're just going to put you on some oxygen, just to be on the safe side."

Maddie's not a registered nurse yet, but the education and experience she is receiving are very real. That's because "Doris" is actually "SimMan 3G," a speaking, breathing, and blinking mannequin that's used to create elaborate clinical scenarios that mirror real-world situations. The patient's responses—including her conversations—are controlled by a nursing professor in a control room next

to the "patient's" bed.

The Center for Nursing Excellence is a partnership between Edgewood College, Meriter Hospital, and St. Mary's Hospital. The center, which welcomed the first Edgewood College nursing students and other health care professionals from Meriter and St. Mary's this year, features the latest in nursing education equipment and technology.

"This center provides an invaluable clinical resource and setting for our students," said Margaret Noreuil, RN, Ph.D., dean of the Edgewood School of Nursing. "The center enhances our capacity to deliver the outstanding education our students expect, and to prepare the extremely qualified nurses our colleagues in health care have come to expect from Edgewood College."

In addition to its three primary spon-

sors, the Center for Nursing Excellence is supported by numerous private foundations as well as the U.S. Department of Labor and the South Central-Southwest



Student nurses from Edgewood College gain valuable hands-on experience at the Center for Nursing Excellence.

Wisconsin WIRED Initiative. The center not only facilitates and enhances nursing education for students, it also expands the technical expertise of health care professionals already serving in Madison and in the region. ■

Growth and global outreach combine for the best of both worlds

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Dual focuses on mission and meeting the needs of its student community have put Wisconsin Lutheran College on a positive growth track. College officials are optimistic that some new majors, along with a strong enrollment increase, will translate into an even brighter future.

The six new majors range from China studies, to sport and exercise science, to biological anthropology. Student enrollment was up four percent in 2009, and college leaders say it may be even higher this year.

Another reason for the college's growth is the establishment of a school of adult and graduate studies. "Wisconsin Lutheran College has an excellent academic reputation, a great location, and a culture of service and leadership," said Gary Drska, chair of the college's board of regents. "Those qualities, combined with solid market research

findings supporting the demand for adult degree completion programs as well as graduate degrees in the greater Milwaukee



Environmental science classes are one of several expanded offerings at Wisconsin Lutheran College that are leading to positive growth.

area, lead us to pursue this opportunity now."

Its initial offering, an adult degree completion program, features a bachelor

of science degree in business leadership and management. "The creation of this new school is a way for Wisconsin

Lutheran to stay true to our mission, grow our college, and serve more students," said provost John Kolander.

Another opportunity is a recent agreement with Jiangxi Normal University in Nanchang, China. This educational partnership, focused around the college's international business program, will encourage Chinese students to attend WLC, provide an option for Wisconsin Lutheran College faculty to lecture in a Chinese university environment, and allow Wisconsin Lutheran students majoring in Chinese Mandarin to immerse themselves in a Chinese university setting. "A door is clearly being opened for Wisconsin Lutheran College, and we are seizing the opportunity," said president Dan Johnson. ■

"LZ-Lambeau"—Welcome home, Vietnam veterans, welcome home!

In addition to Wisconsin's private colleges' pledging nearly \$9 million in financial aid to match federal G.I. Bill benefits for veterans, WAICU is supporting a unique homecoming for Wisconsin's Vietnam veterans.

Wisconsin Public Television, the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Wisconsin Historical Society are teaming up on "LZ Lambeau," to honor Wisconsin's 165,400 Vietnam War veterans.

The weekend will be highlighted by a "Welcome Home" ceremony on May 22nd at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Please share details of this event with your veteran contacts. You'll find complete information at LZLambeau.org.



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changing feature items to give students an incentive to return to the site on a regular basis.

"Having an online presence in the 21st century means two things—being responsive to the needs of our students and doing it in a more personal style than ever before," said Wegenke, "and I'm confident we're going to deliver that with the new Mentor."

The new website will debut in time for the fall class sessions.

Additional outreach beyond WisconsinMentor:

WAICU's first "e-book" is online at WisconsinMentor.org. The e-book was one element in a middle school outreach program that was funded by a grant from Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty Corporation. Wisconsin's 150,000 middle school students received private college materials through age-appropriate bookmarks, pencils, and the online activity book. School counselors were sent a Fact File of updated information about the value of a private college education that can be used in conjunction with the e-book.

For the second year, WAICU is working with the Wisconsin Covenant to inform its students about private colleges. In keeping with the strategy of more personalized communications, 18,000 Wisconsin Covenant students will each receive a mailing containing key facts about private colleges and universities.

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aid package from the average tuition (“sticker price”) gives you what is called net tuition, the amount actually paid by students and their families.

How do private colleges and universities do this? It is not magic, and it is not a trick. What we do is a direct outgrowth of our commitment: our commitment to students, our commitment to educational opportunity, and our commitment to excellence in higher education. The grant aid for our students comes primarily (81 percent) from the colleges themselves. The state and federal governments provide most of the remaining 19 percent. Over the last five years, private and institutional aid has risen from \$200 million to \$280 million, an increase of 40 percent.

In the same period of time, state aid to Wisconsin students attending WAICU members rose from \$23,420,669 to \$26,794,696, an increase of 14 percent. Low state financial aid is part of the reason why Wisconsin lags behind other states. Minnesota, for example, provides three times the student aid that Wisconsin does. Minnesota also runs ahead of Wisconsin in the percentage of its population with a college degree, ranking 11th in the country as compared to Wisconsin’s 29th place ranking.

Clearly, we have a way to go, but for now there is one thing you must remember, and that is those headlines above:

“You Can Go To College!”

“College Is Affordable For You!”

Wisconsin’s private colleges and universities are committed to doing our part. We would rather “light a candle than curse the darkness.” With more light, there can be more “fat” envelopes and a brighter future for our children, our grandchildren, and our state.

Sincerely,



Rolf Wegenke, Ph.D.
WAICU President



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KUDOS

- **Marian University** has been awarded a top honor as a Military Friendly School for Veterans for 2010. That designation places Marian in the top 15 percent of all schools serving vets.
- **St. Norbert College** students received an honorable mention in the iOMe Challenge, an initiative created and supported by businesses and organizations created to ensure a dignified retirement for members of their generation and beyond.
- **Edgewood College** is one of nine recipients selected to receive the 2010 Governor’s Financial Literacy Award for efforts promoting money management and financial skills among Wisconsin residents.
- A **Mount Mary College** senior has been named to the NCAA III All-Independent Women’s Volleyball First Team. **Michelle Wille** is from Menomonee Falls and majoring in Spanish.
- **Edgewood College, Lawrence University, Marian University, Marquette University, and Ripon College** were named to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. **Beloit College** was named to the Honor Roll with Distinction.
- **Dr. Bass Abushakra**, associate professor in the Architectural Engineering and Building Construction Department at **MSOE**, has received the Distinguished Service Award from the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers.
- **Dr. Mark Erickson**, associate clinical professor of physical therapy at **Carroll University**, has been named Mentor of the Year by the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association.
- A project spearheaded by **Carthage College** physics professor **Doug Arion** was a runner-up for the International Year of Astronomy/Mani Bhaumik Prize for Excellence in Astronomy Education and Public Outreach.
- **Lakeland College**’s Student Wisconsin Education Association (StWEA) organization has won the Celebrate Literacy Award for an Organization from the Wisconsin State Reading Association.
- **Lawrence University** students **Angela Ting** and **Angela Wang** earned the “Best Delegation” award as members of Lawrence’s Model United Nations team at the Midwest Model United Nations Conference in St. Louis, MO.
- **Marian University**’s Student Nurses’ Association chapter won the Best Community Health Projects Award for a project that collected over 700 presents for children who were hospitalized over Christmas.
- **Marquette University** has received a Gold Well Workplace Award from The Wellness Council of America for its employee wellness program.

APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS

- The **Marian University** board of trustees has appointed **Dr. Steven R. DiSalvo** as the fourteenth president of the university. Dr. DiSalvo has served other universities including Fordham and Loyola Chicago; he will take office on July 1.
- The president of **Silver Lake College**, **Dr. George Arnold**, was selected as the recipient of the 2009 Education Impact Award from The Chamber of Commerce of Manitowoc County.
- The president of **Edgewood College**, **Dr. Daniel J. Carey**, was elected as the vice chair of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU).
- **Cardinal Stritch University** has named retired executive and trustee **Kent Bergemann** as its interim president. Bergemann, a former Wells Fargo executive, will serve as interim president until a new president is selected.
- **Mary Oling-Sisay**, vice president of student affairs and dean of students at **St. Norbert College**, has been elected president of Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership (WWHEL). Continuing on the WWHEL board are **Joanne Passaro**, provost and vice president for academic affairs at **Carroll University**, and **Mari McCarty**, executive vice president of **WAICU**.

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• **Katherine Stewart**, a trustee of **Ripon College**, has been nominated to the Higher Education Aids Board by **WAICU** president **Rolf Wegenke** and has been appointed by Governor Doyle. Stewart succeeds **Edgewood College** trustee **Jerry Curren**.

• Five students from **Marian University** have been elected to serve on the Wisconsin Student Nurses' Association board of directors: **Courtney Roberts** from Fond du Lac, **Sarah Raaseh** from Plymouth, **Chris Stelper** from Van Dyne, **Kate Kaiser** from Princeton, and **Heather Stadler** from Oshkosh.

NEW DEGREES, PROGRAMS, AND EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

• **Concordia University Wisconsin's** pharmacy school has received pre-candidate status from the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) and is now accepting students.

• **Carroll University** and Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science in North Chicago will partner to help meet the future need for pharmacists in Wisconsin. Up to twenty positions at the Illinois school will be opened to Carroll biochemistry majors.

• **Wisconsin Lutheran** has entered into a transfer agreement with the UW Colleges. WLC will ensure acceptance into its baccalaureate program of any associate degree graduate from a UW College who has earned a 2.5 or higher GPA.

• **Mount Mary College** and Gateway Technical College have signed a transfer agreement that will let Gateway students transfer up to 64 credits to a variety of Mount Mary programs, allowing Gateway students to enter Mount Mary just a few credits short of junior status.

• **Viterbo University** has added an Addiction Studies major to enhance students' preparation for careers in psychology, human services, criminal justice, ministry, healthcare, education, business, and other fields.

"The illiterate of the 21st Century will not be those who cannot read or write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn."
Alvin Toffler
Author

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