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## INDEPENDENT INSIGHTS

### Every Day is Students' Day

This generation of college students' idealism is as high as I have ever seen anywhere, any time. And the enthusiasm and commitment is characteristic of students at WAICU-member colleges and universities and UW campuses alike. I think again of the United Council of UW Students—who, in an unprecedented move, joined WAICU in urging the Governor and Legislature to support aid for all students. (See *The Wisconsin Independent*, Vol. 41, No. 1).

This enthusiasm and idealism was really brought home to me on  
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Students from Wisconsin's private colleges gathered in Madison on April 2, 2009, for a day of civic education and involvement. After a morning session covering the issues facing higher education in the state, the group set out for the State Capitol to talk about financial aid with their legislators.

## Record enrollment at Wisconsin's private colleges

Continuing a positive trend that started in the 1980s, student enrollment at Wisconsin's twenty private nonprofit colleges and universities has grown steadily, peaking last fall at a record high of more than 59,000 students.

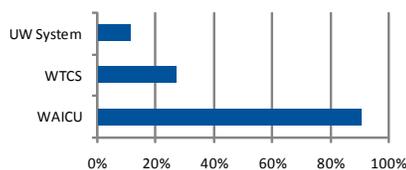
Since 1980, enrollment at WAICU-member colleges and universities has grown by 91 percent, compared to an enrollment growth during the same period of 11 percent in the University of Wisconsin System and 27 percent in the Wisconsin Technical College

System. That translates to 27,633 more students at the private colleges, while the UW System added 17,859 and the technical colleges added 18,296.

"At a time when our state needs a more educated workforce, Wisconsin's private nonprofit colleges have stepped up to meet the demand," said WAICU president Rolf Wegenke. "In difficult economic times, 'brain workers' are even more valuable."

In addition to higher graduation rates, private colleges also offer financial aid packages that keep student out-of-pocket tuition costs at a manageable level. For example, in 2007-2008, average tuition and fees at WAICU members amounted to \$22,033, while the average freshman financial aid package was \$15,941, leaving out-of-pocket costs of just \$6,092—even lower than the previous year's net tuition figure. That average financial aid package was composed of 71 percent grants (which don't have to be paid back) and only 29 percent loans. ■

### Fall Enrollment Growth 1980-81 to 2007-08



Source: National Center for Education Statistics  
U.S. Dept. of Education

## Learning the steps to college

There are many steps leading to college; in fact, it may seem like teaching someone to dance hip-hop. The steps are sometimes complicated, but, most important, they require students to stay in time. The summer can be a great time for juniors to start learning the “moves.”

Step 1: Visit a variety of college campuses. Students and parents can enjoy a wide array of opportunities at Wisconsin’s private colleges during Private College Week, July 13-18.

Step 2: Consider re-taking the ACT. A new September test date allows students to have new scores prior to admission deadlines. Students will find FREE online test prep at WisconsinMentor.org to prepare for the exam.

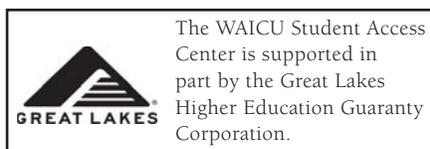
Step 3: Write your college essays now. Be creative, honest, and confident in your work. Allow several mentors in your life to proofread them and provide constructive feedback. Follow the directions provided by each college on the length, format, and topic of admission essays.

Step 4: Develop an activity résumé of

your academic, social, volunteer, work, athletic, and performing arts contributions and accomplishments. Make a comprehensive and easily readable document summarizing your life experience.

Step 5: Confirm that your senior-year coursework meets college admission criteria. The “Freshman Planner” feature at WisconsinMentor.org allows students to enter their high school curriculum and compare it to the admission criteria of the colleges they are considering.

It is important not to let the junior “b-boy” become the senior “pop and lock.” The WAICU Student Access Center has many resources to help counselors and their students see how a college education can be affordable and accessible. Contact studentaccess@waicu.org or 1-800-4-DEGREE, or visit WisconsinMentor.org. ■



## Reaching even more students for Private College Week 2009

You will notice several changes in next month’s Private College Week effort:

- In addition to our new logo (at left), we will launch, in June, a new website: PrivateCollegeWeek.com.
- Students can sign up to win one of two \$2,500 “Go Grants” by enrolling at a Wisconsin private college.
- Wisconsin’s First Lady, Jessica Doyle, will be featured in a new radio commercial encouraging students to attend Private College Week.
- Private College Week will be featured as an underwriter on a variety of Wisconsin Public Radio programs including “A Prairie Home Companion” and “All Things Considered.”
- Private College Week advertisements will be featured on the websites of many of the state’s major newspapers, Facebook, and The Weather Channel, among others.

As always, students and their families are invited to tour Wisconsin’s twenty private nonprofit colleges and universities; meet instructors; and get a taste of college life. We will even waive application fees at each campus students visit during Private College Week. ■



**Alverno College:** May 16. Alverno president Mary Meehan addressed graduates at the ceremony.

**Beloit College:** May 17. Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle spoke and received an honorary degree. Other honorary degrees went to Victor E. Ferrall, Jr., former president of Beloit College; Rev. Marta Weeks, distinguished Episcopal clergywoman; and Eric Issacs, director of the Argonne National Laboratory.

**Cardinal Stritch University:** May 17. Joe Zilber, business leader and philanthropist, delivered the commencement address and received an honorary degree.

**Carroll University:** May 10. Timothy W. Sullivan, president and CEO of Bucyrus International and Carroll graduate, was the keynote speaker at the ceremony.

**Carthage College:** May 24. Honorary degrees went to Erno Dahl, 16th president of Carthage College, and Rev. David Rhoads, professor of New Testament at Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

**Concordia University Wisconsin:** May 16. Author Dinesh D’Souza was the keynote speaker; Rev. John Wille, president of the South Wisconsin District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, received an honorary degree.

**Edgewood College:** May 17. Former Wisconsin Governor Patrick J. Lucey gave the address and received an honorary degree. Another honorary degree was conferred posthumously on Henry Predolin, a longtime benefactor of the college.

**Lakeland College:** May 3. Honorary degrees went to commencement speaker Susan Mboya, founder and president of the Zawadi Africa Educational Fund, and to Terry Kohler, president of Windway Capital Corporation.

**Lawrence University:** June 14. Bob Herbert, award-winning columnist for *The New York Times*, will speak and receive an honorary degree.

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## New college president outlines strategic vision

### WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Dr. Daniel Johnson has been installed as the third full-time president of Wisconsin Lutheran College. During his April inauguration ceremony, Dr. Johnson, the former administrator of Arizona Lutheran Academy in Phoenix, Arizona, announced several significant advances for the college.

Throughout its entire history, the college has focused on undergraduate students. Now Wisconsin Lutheran College will add a new school for graduate and adult studies. Degree completion courses for adults could begin as early as September and graduate courses in education will start in January of next year. The undergraduate experience will also be strengthened; five new majors have been added to the undergraduate curriculum.

At his inauguration, Dr. Johnson outlined his strategic vision for the col-

lege. “As we expand our majors, focus on enrollment growth, and create a school of graduate and adult studies, we do so under the banner of Christian leadership,” he said. “Wisconsin Lutheran is setting the standard for the servant leadership so desperately needed by our communities and country.”

Observers are enthusiastic about President Johnson’s leadership role at Wisconsin Lutheran. “Dan Johnson’s experience at Arizona Lutheran Academy shows he can be entrepreneurial—a ‘must’ for a private college president,” said Dr.

Rolf Wegenke, president of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. “His career is the model for



Dr. Johnson spoke with students at his inauguration as the third president of Wisconsin Lutheran College.

the way in which education is increasingly integrated at all levels—elementary, secondary, and postsecondary. He is a real asset to Wisconsin Lutheran, to WAICU, and to all of education.” ■

## Students follow in Darwin’s footsteps in his bicentennial year

### ST. NORBERT COLLEGE

“I think that everybody should go to the Galapagos at least once,” says Jaime Beine. “There is a whole other world out there,” adds Samantha Christian.

The two St. Norbert College students were part of a geology trip to the archipelago off Ecuador’s coast, the islands where Charles Darwin first formulated the theory that would later appear in *On the Origin of Species*. “We basically followed in his footsteps,” says Christian.

Under the lead of biology professor Tim Flood and his wife, Sally, a veterinarian, the students spent each day snorkeling and observing the flora and fauna.

Natural conditions in the Galapagos have hardly changed since Darwin explored the islands in the 1830s. In fact, the ten St. Norbert students who traveled from island to island for eight days in January might even

have seen a few of the same animals as Darwin himself—the giant tortoises of the Galapagos live up to 200 years.

“As an educator I can’t think of a better



St. Norbert College students followed the paths trod by Charles Darwin in the Galapagos Islands.

laboratory,” says Flood, who has taken ten trips with students since he started at St. Norbert.

The trip was an opportunity to learn through observation. Visitors to the protected environments are not allowed to collect so much as a grain of sand.

However, there was plenty to see and much to learn. Most of the animals are fearless due to the absence of natural predators, and so can be encountered at close range.

The Galapagos group met once a week on campus before the trip, read about 1,500 pages of natural history, and is following up on the experience with a research proposal and a reflection paper.

Embarking on this trip in 2009, the year of Darwin’s 200th birthday, challenged the students to view their experience in the context of the history of sciences, and

to recognize that despite the vast scope of research today, there are still places that remain nearly untouched. ■

## MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

### New City Center expands educational opportunities in downtown Milwaukee

#### CARDINAL STRITCH UNIVERSITY

As part of its ongoing commitment to serve the underserved and transform lives in the Franciscan spirit, Cardinal Stritch University is making a major commitment to downtown Milwaukee by leasing more than 24,000 square feet of space in The Brewery Project.

The Cardinal Stritch University City Center will be home to the College of Education and Leadership (COEL), establishing Stritch as a significant presence in Milwaukee's downtown business community.

Cardinal Stritch University president Helen C. Sobehart said, "We live by the Franciscan values of sharing compassion for others, reverencing creation, peace-making, and creating a caring community. It is that last value that inspired us to move our education programs into the City of Milwaukee."

In addition to COEL, the downtown facility will also house College of Business and Management programs. These will

include the Lifetime Learners program, which offers an associate of science in



Cardinal Stritch University is expanding educational options in downtown Milwaukee in the new City Center.

business degree for working adults.

The university is in need of additional residential space for its growing tradition-

al undergraduate population, and COEL's current campus location will be converted into a dormitory for undergraduate students.

Dr. Sobehart said moving the College of Education and Leadership will also put the new teachers closer to the students they will serve. "These future teachers already work in many Milwaukee classrooms," said Dr. Sobehart, "and we want to make our experience in educational leadership training

available to more women and men who will shape the city's future, by shaping the children." ■

### New degree in healthcare management will fill crucial need

#### LAKELAND COLLEGE

Responding to the need for qualified healthcare managers both in Wisconsin and nationally, Lakeland College will launch a new healthcare management degree this summer.

Lakeland's bachelor's degree in healthcare management will provide a management emphasis for students who have already completed an associate of arts degree in a healthcare-related field.

"Healthcare is still growing as an industry," said Lakeland president Stephen Gould, "and there is more need than ever for healthcare managers."

Lakeland's program responds directly to employer feedback requesting ongoing education that builds upon both specialty program and work experience. The program also provides a new educational opportunity for healthcare professionals interested in management.

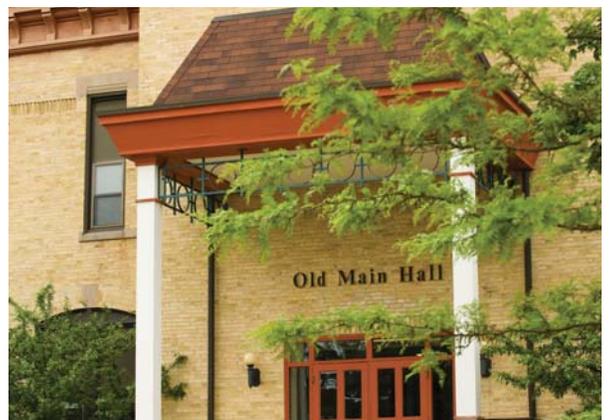
Wisconsin projections mirror national surveys that show healthcare contains seven of the twenty fastest-growing occupations over the next five years.

Professionals in the healthcare industry said Lakeland's degree responds both to their needs as employers and to the educational needs of healthcare-industry workers looking to expand their skill set.

Dan Bonk, Aurora Health Care's executive vice president for the central region, said Lakeland's new program offers a variety of benefits to the healthcare industry.

"This program provides a formal, structured opportunity for outstanding clinicians to learn management and leadership skills from a quality college that is local," said Bonk, who was among the healthcare professionals who provided guidance to Lakeland during formation of the program. "Often, employees who want

this type of program must travel or take classes intermittently to get their degrees.



Lakeland College will soon launch a new bachelor's degree in healthcare management.

I see this program filling the leadership needs of students with a national, if not global, perspective on trends in healthcare and healthcare administration," said Bonk.

The healthcare management degree will be offered at all of Lakeland's Kellest Centers statewide, online, or through the school's unique BlendEd format. ■

## Young composer provides perfect musical complement to classic silent film

### LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Thanks to Garth Neustadter's musical talents, the classic silent film *The White Sister* will be silent no more.

For the second time in a year, the Lawrence University senior from Manitowoc has put his composer's pen to work on behalf of Turner Classic Movies, writing a 134-minute musical score for the 1923 movie starring silent screen legend Lillian Gish.

The film features Gish as the daughter of a rich Italian count who is cheated out of her inheritance. She is engaged to marry a dashing officer played by Ronald Coleman, but he is captured on an expedition in Africa; heartbroken, she enters a convent, but he escapes and returns in time for a dramatic reunion set in front of an erupting Mount Vesuvius.

As part of an ongoing restoration of silent films, Warner Brothers converted the original *White Sister* into digital format. When the studio went looking for a composer to score the film, it turned

to Neustadter, who was on TCM's radar screen after earning first-prize honors in its own 2007 Young Film Composers Competition.

"This is the first score TCM has



Lawrence University senior Garth Neustadter is already the composer of a film score.

recorded outside of Hollywood," said Neustadter, a violin and voice performance major.

Starting last September, Neustadter devoted 10 hours a day to the score to meet a December deadline. He prepared for the project by reading the book on which the film is based, researched the history of the film's settings, read several books on film scoring, and studied numerous professional orchestral scores. In the process of writing the score, he watched the film nearly 300 times.

TCM requested only a piano score for the film, but Neustadter was allowed to add additional instrumentation. He wound up employing the musical talents of 20 Lawrence conservatory faculty and students for the project.

"I was very fortunate to get to do something on this scale," Neustadter said. "For a young composer, it's so tough to find these kinds of opportunities. It's a great start for me." ■

## New grant enables returning veterans to attend college tuition-free

### EDGEWOOD COLLEGE

Edgewood College recently announced the creation of the Eagle Grant, which makes it possible for veterans who qualify under the new federal "Yellow Ribbon" GI Bill to attend Edgewood College tuition-free.

The Yellow Ribbon Program will cover the cost of an institution's tuition and fees up to the maximum public in-state tuition charges. Funds from the new Eagle Grant will be used to defray the remaining tuition cost for returning veterans, enabling them to attend Edgewood College with no tuition cost.

Daniel Carey, president of the college and himself a veteran, says, "We are excited about this program for three reasons. First, it is our way of honoring the men and women who have given so much on behalf of all of us.

"Second, one of the most important ways out of our current economic situation is to raise the educational level of our population. This program certainly contributes to that goal. Finally, we believe that many veterans share the same core values—truth, justice, compassion, partnership, and community—we hold dear at Edgewood College." Carey says the

GI Bill made it possible for him to continue his education after serving as a U.S. Army infantry officer in Vietnam.

"I feel a personal obligation to provide the quality education and the support

to veterans today that were provided for me," Carey says. "The last generation of veterans included many of today's leaders. Some of tomorrow's leaders are in this



Edgewood student and Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran Jason Diaz (left, with Edgewood president Daniel Carey) is just one of the students who will benefit from the new Eagle Grant.

generation of veterans. We are proud to do our part to contribute to their education."

Carey, who entered military service in 1968, was the first in his family to attend college. He has served as a college president for fourteen years, the last five of them at Edgewood College. ■

## First class of MBA students values relevant, experiential, active learning

### ALVERNO COLLEGE

To be the “first” brings with it some challenges and many rewards. For the first class of The Alverno MBA—a tenacious group of 20 students who graduated in December 2008—it was a special opportunity to make a mark on a new program. The students were integral in helping shape the program, not necessarily from a curriculum standpoint, said Bill McEachern, director of The Alverno MBA and longtime Alverno business professor, but rather, a practical one.

“They were a part of the unfolding of this program and their feedback has been extremely valuable,” he said. “They are proud to be a part of this first class.”

Students brought with them a broad cross section of experiences, having worked in the financial services, manufacturing, healthcare, and nonprofit sectors, among other fields. They learned from the instructors but also from one another, McEachern said, and that’s one of the components that contributes to

making the program “REAL”—Relevant, Experiential, Active Learning. Classroom discussions were substantive, as the students explored how concepts could (or



Graduates of The Alverno MBA program have gained great rewards.

did) play out in different work environments.

Participants in this first class grew both personally and professionally.

“Since attending the MBA program, I

really feel like my mind and my heart are open more than before. I look at the world through different eyes and I know that this opportunity and the amazing women

I have met have made that possible,” said Kristin Bird, operations manager at ABB Inc.

Connie Thompson, operations manager at Monona Terrace and Convention Center in Madison, says the rewards have been numerous.

“We learned so much about ourselves, each other, business practices,

processes, relationships, and the various tools of our trade. Our biggest reward is the MBA network of students, professors, and administrators that we have now developed through the Alverno program.” ■

## Commencements *continued from page 2*

**Marian University:** May 16. Virginia Gilmore, founder of the philanthropic Sophia foundation, addressed graduates and received an honorary degree.

**Marquette University:** May 17. Honorary degree recipients were Frank Busalacchi, Wisconsin Secretary of Transportation; Clifford Christians, professor of communication at the University of Illinois; Maria Rosa Leggol, S.S.S.F, founder of Sociedad Amigos de los Ninos in Honduras; and Dick Enberg of NBC Sports, who also gave the keynote address.

**Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design:** May 9. Kenneth L. Leinbach, executive director of Milwaukee’s Urban Ecology Center, spoke and received an honorary degree.

**Milwaukee School of Engineering:** May 23. Gary A. Stimac, formerly of the Compaq Computer Corporation, received an honorary degree and delivered the commencement address.

**Mount Mary College:** May 16. Mount Mary trustee Kathryn Murphy Burke addressed graduates at the ceremony and received an honorary degree.

**Northland College:** May 23. Will Steger, environmentalist and arctic

explorer, delivered the commencement address and received an honorary degree.

**Ripon College:** May 16. Historian Robert Sean Wilentz of Princeton University gave the commencement address and received an honorary degree. Another honorary degree went to Wisconsin Congresswoman Gwendolynne Moore.

**St. Norbert College:** May 17. Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Haynes Johnson was the keynote speaker. Honorary degree recipients included Mr. Johnson; philanthropists James and Julie-Ann Kress; and Patricia Brash McKeithan, former head of corporate affairs for Miller Brewing.

**Silver Lake College:** May 10. Graduating senior H. James Butler delivered the commencement address.

**Viterbo University:** May 9. Graduating senior Emily Anderson gave the address.

**Wisconsin Lutheran College:** May 9. Bruce Becker, director of operations for Time of Grace Ministry, was the keynote speaker. ■

# Every Day is Students' Day

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April 2, which was WAICU Students' Day. Students from all across Wisconsin rallied in the Capitol and made individual appointments with their legislators. Their cause was the Wisconsin Tuition Grant (WTG)—and, really, financial aid for all Wisconsin students regardless of whether they attend a WAICU-member college or university, a Wisconsin technical college, or a UW campus.

I wish you could have been with me on WAICU Students' Day. Like me, you would have been filled with hope.

First, the students were not just looking for a handout. Virtually all of them are working hard—nights, weekends, “vacations.” Often they work at multiple jobs, in addition to taking challenging university courses. They sacrificed class time, study time, and wages to make the case for helping not just themselves, but fellow students and future students.

Second, these students are studying to be nurses and engineers and teachers who will make Wisconsin's future better than today and make Wisconsin a leader in the knowledge economy.

Third, these students are black and white, urban and rural, young and old. They are us. They recognize that these are hard times, but they are working even harder in pursuit of the kind of education that will determine our future. April 2 was “WAICU Students' Day,” but because our members are first and foremost teaching and learning institutions, every day is Students' Day for our 59,000 students.

In fact, tomorrow is Students' Day—all of our tomorrows—for in the new economy, our future is uniquely dependent on the brainpower, the creativity, and the critical thinking skills and commitment of today's students.

On April 2 I saw tomorrow—and all the signs point to its being a very good day.

Sincerely,



Rolf Wegenke, Ph.D.  
WAICU President



## WAICU BULLETIN BOARD

### KUDOS

- **Joseph Tullbane**, associate dean and director of international education and outreach at **St. Norbert College**, has won the Timothy J. Rutenber Award from the Association of International Education Administrators for exceptional service to the field of international education.
- Two of Wisconsin's 2009 Principals of the Year furthered their education at WAICU members. Middle-level Principal of the Year **Kathleen Lemberger** of Washington Junior High School in Manitowoc did coursework at **Cardinal Stritch University** in Milwaukee to become a director of instruction, and earned her principal licensure from **Marian University**. Elementary School Principal of the Year **Bobbie Schmidt** of Richmond Elementary School in Appleton earned certification in educational leadership from **Marian University**.
- **Lawrence University** senior **Madhuri Vijay** has won a \$28,000 fellowship from the Thomas J. Watson Foundation that will take her to Fiji to do research on the Indian diaspora. Sixty-seven Lawrence students have won Watson Fellowships since the program's inception in 1969.
- Three **Lawrence University** seniors have been named as Fulbright Scholars. **Anna Hainze** will spend ten months as a secondary school English teacher in Venezuela. **Jane Hulburt** and **Spencer Neitzel** will spend nine months in Germany as English teaching assistants. Since 2001, 13 Lawrence students have been named Fulbright Scholars.
- **Lawrence University** student musicians accounted for three of the six winners at the 14th annual Neale-Silva Young Artists competition conducted this spring in Madison. The percussion trio of **Felicia Behm**, **David Ranscht**, and **Stacey Stoltz**, along with bass-baritone **Derrell Acon** and pianist **Leonard Hayes**, shared top honors in the state competition. Lawrence students have won or shared top honors in the Neale-Silva event four years in a row and nine of the past 11.
- Student members in the **Marian University** chapter of Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) were awarded “Rookie of the Year” at the USA Annual Regional Competition in Chicago in April. The award is in recognition of their efforts and accomplishments in giving back to the Fond du Lac community.
- The Harvard Business School Club of Wisconsin has named **Timothy Sullivan** as Business Leader of the Year. Sullivan, president and CEO of Bucyrus International, Inc., earned his bachelor's degree at Carroll College (now **Carroll University**).

### ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

- **Dr. Patricia O'Donoghue**, retired president of **Mount Mary College**, has been appointed vice president for alumni outreach and engagement at DePaul University.
- **WAICU** president **Dr. Rolf Wegenke** has been appointed to the Governor's Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care. The Council is charged with helping Wisconsin move toward improved early childhood and developmental programs that help more children arrive at kindergarten ready to succeed.

### NEW DEGREES AND PROGRAMS

- **Edgewood College** is launching a graduate certificate program in urban and rural economic development. Beginning in fall 2009, the evening-only courses are open to students with an undergraduate degree in any major and interest in the field. The five-course program seeks to provide students with practical, hands-on experience in a broad range of economic development issues, including sustainability, entrepreneurship, comprehensive planning, community building, attracting capital, and marketing.
- **St. Norbert College** will offer a new master of arts in liberal studies this fall for young professionals interested in developing both their analytical and communication skills and broadening their knowledge of the world and themselves. The new program also targets adults and alumni who are looking for ways to stay intellectually alive and to broaden or fill in areas that they may not have explored in previous study. The degree will focus on ideas and issues in the humanities, natural sciences and mathematics, and social sciences.

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•New degrees and programs at **Viterbo University** include sport management and leadership; sport science and leadership; communication studies: organizational communication; communications studies: visual communication; 4+1 BBA to MBA, an option allowing students to complete both an undergraduate and graduate degree in five years; a community interpreting certificate; and an alcohol and other drug abuse certificate.

**Marquette University's** Law School is launching a new curriculum in water law addressing the ongoing and emerging legal issues posed by the water industry.

### EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATION

•**Marian University** has received a grant to help establish a collaborative, abilities-based master's program in nursing education, designed to address the shortage of nurse educators by forging collaborative agreements among nursing programs at colleges, universities, and technical colleges in the state.

•**St. Norbert College** and **Marquette University** have teamed up to offer a 5-year bachelor's/master's program in applied economics, allowing St. Norbert students to earn a Marquette MBA at an accelerated pace. Graduates of the program can save up to a year of school and enter the workplace much earlier.

•**Carroll University** and Gateway Technical College have reached an agreement that would allow Gateway students to apply credits earned for their associate of applied science degree in nursing toward a baccalaureate degree in nursing at Carroll. The program is available to students who already have RN licensure in Wisconsin.

•**Viterbo University** has forged a partnership with the Mayo Clinic to offer a major in clinical laboratory science. Students will study for three years at Viterbo and then be eligible for a final year in Rochester. Students in this field learn to conduct tests to determine the presence, extent, or absence of disease and monitor the effectiveness of treatment.

“Education is an ornament  
in prosperity and a refuge in  
adversity.”

Aristotle, Philosopher  
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