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**Gateway agreement with George Williams Campus of Aurora University
gives students expanded career options**

WILLIAMS BAY – Gateway Technical College and the George Williams College of Aurora University signed an agreement today giving students in business and nursing expanded educational and career opportunities.

The agreement provides a seamless opportunity for Gateway graduates to continue their education and complete a bachelor's degree in business and nursing science from George Williams College Aurora University. Prior academic coursework will be fully recognized and transferable towards the completion of those degrees.

The articulation agreement was signed today, April 2, at George Williams College and extends an existing partnership with Gateway in other areas of study.

“These agreements expand the opportunities for Gateway students to continue their education to achieve a four-year degree,” said Grace Kragness,

Gateway's dean of Business, IT and Service Occupations. "Students begin at Gateway with a high-value education and hands-on experience in their chosen career.

"They build on this experience with additional learning, making them more valuable to employers. The Walworth County economy is strengthened through this partnership by offering increased access for students to become qualified for area jobs without leaving the county."

Bill Duncan, George Williams vice president and chief academic officer, said he's excited about the agreement because it allows them to better serve Walworth County students.

"It also is much broader than just that, too," said Duncan. "We already have signed an agreement with Gateway and this is a natural extension of that partnership. This will continue to allow students to have a smooth transition from their associate degree to a bachelor's completion at George Williams."

Gateway programs that will transfer to George Williams' business degree are Business Management, Supervisory Management, Administrative Assistant, Marketing, Hotel/Hospitality and Culinary Arts. Gateway's nursing degree will transfer into George Williams' Nursing program.

"This is a very powerful partnership," said Skewes. "There is a lot of potential for future growth."

Representing Gateway Technical College were Zina Haywood, executive vice president/provost; Kragness, who also serves as the Elkhorn Campus dean of campus affairs; and Diane Skewes, interim dean of Health Occupations.

Representing the George Williams Campus of Aurora University were
Duncan; Linda Olbinski, dean; and Dr. John Gunyan, assistant professor.

Gateway Technical College collaborates with communities in Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties to ensure economic growth and viability by providing education, training, leadership and technological resources to meet the challenging needs of students, employers and communities.

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