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Gateway presented with national skills certification award

Gateway Technical College on Wednesday was presented the

Manufacturing Skills Standards Council Authorized Center award for reaching the

milestone of 1,000 or more MSSC certifications, the first college in the nation to

receive this honor.

MSSC presented Gateway with the award which is for colleges and

schools "around the country that are leaders in assessing individuals for MSSC

industry-recognized nationally portable certifications."

"It was an honor to accept this award on behalf of the instructors, staff,

students and business partners who have worked hard to better their career

pathways through the MSSC Certification process," said Gateway Technical

College President and CEO Bryan Albrecht.

MSSC presented the award as part of its "Industry Certifications: Closing

Manufacturing Skills Gap in the Great Lakes Region" summit held in Indianapolis.

Gateway offers MSSC certifications in safety, quality, production

processes and maintenance awareness as part of its manufacturing and

engineering technology programs as well as its boot camps.

Certifications provide an added credential to a student's completion certificate, diploma or degree. It gives them an edge over other applicants who may only have a traditional educational credential.

For employers, the certifications indicate that students have reached a level of competency that is recognized nationally by industry.

The Manufacturing Skill Standards Council, a 501(c)3 non-profit, is an industry-led, training, assessment and certification system focused on the core technical skills and knowledge needed by the nation's front-line production and material handling workers.

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 changing needs of students, employers and communities.

