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**Gateway to open EVOC track  
for training law enforcement cadets, officers**

Gateway Technical College will develop an emergency vehicle operations course (EVOC) on land leased from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside.

The track will be developed behind Tallent Hall on the east side of Wood Road on the UW-Parkside campus. The project represents yet another way Gateway and UW-Parkside are collaborating to meet the needs of area communities.

In addition to the track development, recent transfer agreements between the two institutions of higher education have been signed, giving Gateway Criminal Justice associate degree graduates an option to enter UW-Parkside as a junior in its Criminal Justice program.

“The partnership provides another way for Gateway Technical College and University of Wisconsin-Parkside to move forward together to assist students in realizing their career path,” says Terry Simmons, Gateway dean of Service Occupations.

“The variety of academic partnerships between Gateway Technical College and the University of Wisconsin-Parkside provides important education opportunities for students in southeastern Wisconsin,” says Peggy James, dean

of the College of Social Sciences and Professional Studies at UW-Parkside. “This unique collaboration of academic and physical resources adds to the relevancy of the students’ overall educational experience.”

The EVOC track is a much-needed facility used to train law enforcement officer cadets and working professionals. All Gateway Law Enforcement Academy cadets are required to complete and pass defensive driving standards to be eligible to graduate. In addition, all current law enforcement officers are required to attend eight hours of EVOC training every two years.

Questions on the track should be directed to Bill Whyte at (262) 564-3228.

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.

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