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**Gateway Interior Design student captures
First place at event; others garner honors**

Gateway Technical College Interior Design student Lisa Damm (Racine) took first place in the Residential Design category at the Wisconsin Technical College System Interior Design Competition held March 6 in Madison.

Other Gateway students took home honors from the event, as well. Sarah Olson (Racine) captured third place in Residential Design, and second place in the Textiles exam and Bailey Fettes (Kenosha) earned an honorable mention in Residential Design.

Students competed in two knowledge areas:

- a test of historical furniture and textiles
- on-the-spot design scenario in one of three skill areas – residential design, commercial design or kitchen design

Each participant was given a project scenario along with several finish samples to choose from and three hours to create a plan and presentation board. Design solutions were then judged by industry professionals.

Competitions such as these prepare students with simulated design situations which give them the experiences that help give them an advantage as they seek employment in their career field.

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