High school students can earn credit

There are five different ways to earn dual credits, which appeal to high school students - as well as their parents, seeking to find a more inexpensive, yet quality, way to gain skills and earn a college degree.

By the numbers

| 5,599 | Students earning college credit in 2016-17 |
| 461 | Students involved in Youth Options - Gateway classroom |
| 34 | Individual courses taught districtwide |
| 16 | High school teachers proficient in teach Gateway courses |
| 9 | Students earning advanced standing |
| 16 | High school involved |

For more

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Program of choice – while saving dollars. Popular programs for high schoolers who take college courses in a variety of disciplines, including Information Technology, Automotive Technology, and Welding and Metalworking. College classes are high school courses that align 80 percent with a Gateway's. This gives students an advantage when it comes to high school and Gateway credit for courses taken while at a high school junior or senior. Transcripted Credit – Earn high school and college credits at the same time. Gateway's courses are taught by teachers at the high school, using the same textbooks and materials at Gateway's. This gives students an advantage when it comes to earning high school and Gateway credit for courses taken while at a high school junior or senior.

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HS + 2 + 2 = Big Savings!

Example: A high school student enrolling in Gateway credits, completing an associate degree at Gateway, and earning a baccalaureate degree at a four-year college

| HS Credits | 2 + 2 Credits | Total Credits |
| 30 | 60 | 90 |

Cost avoidance for high-schoolers taking transcripted credits

High school students enroll in Gateway transcripted credits for Information Technology and earn 16 credits.

Wisconsin Technical College System per credit cost: $122. 16 credits earned, student costs avoided: $1,952

Student graduates high school and enrolls at Gateway to finish his or her degree. They earn the remaining 51 credits for associate degree. 51 credits earned currently.

Total cost for credits earned: $6,232

Costs avoided for associate degree: $1,952

Student graduates Gateway and enrolls at UW-Something College to earn a four-year degree in engineering. They transfer to four-year college as junior, and have only two years left to complete degree, because of transfer agreement between colleges.

Cost amount for first two years at UW System: $7,674

Cost at Gateway: $6,232

Costs avoided through Gateway: $13,542

You can Gateway if you’ve found yourself laid off and needed skills to get back into the workforce - you need to get back into it quickly, but in a career-transitioning industry, Just ask, Cyrene Olson.

You can Gateway if you would like that added training to keep your job and skill set even more valuable to employers -旭- Shanta Harris.

You can Gateway if you’ve been in a career for years - and hasn’t meshed inside of a classroom for just as many - but want to make sure your training and skills are completely up-to-speed to do the best job possible. Just ask Mike Dunning. You can Gateway if you need to work through college, are a parent, but need a little help and direction to stay in college and be successful. Just ask Viola Howell.

No matter how you Gateway, the result is always the same - enrolling at Gateway Technical College will mesh in the skills to help you find a new job or give you greater relevance and value in your current job.

Even though the wheels of the economic engine have begun to turn more steadily lately, the need for the skills provided at Gateway remain as important today as yesterday. That simply is no better way to increase the odds of remaining at a job and career than to stay current with your training and education. There are many ways to Gateway. We invite you to chart your path to Gateway - and your future.
Even if you’ve returned to work, Gateway still offers training for your career. Make even more valuable to your employer. Bryan Albrecht
President
Gateway Technical College

From startups to established businesses, WEDD meets needs of area.

Shanna Harris, Racine, called Gateway’s computer-aided manufacturing (CAM) boot camp training a life-changing experience, providing her with the opportunity to gain skills and leadership to a new and growing field she is passionate about.

“Taking the right training is the reason I have the rest of my life. I have the skills to a new role,” said Shanta. “I am excited and ready to do the best job I can.”

Gateway and the Racine County Workforce Economic Development Corporation offer the innovative boot camps in a number of in-demand careers, including welding fabricator, CNC, industrial maintenance, and certified manufacturing assistant. They assist dislocated and unemployed workers by pairing them with employers in fast-growing industries.

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Gateway’s new mascot took flight over the summer

Gateway Board of Trustees members approved a new mascot for the college, the Red Hawks.

The new mascot is the first for Gateway in nearly a century and will be used to symbolize the college to its communities and through its students who take part in academic and community-related competitions throughout the state and nation.

The Red Hawk, called Rudy, is patterned after the red-tailed hawks seen at each of Gateway’s three main campuses—in Kenosha, Racine and Elkhorn.

“Red-tailed hawks are noted for soaring high above the landscape, symbolic of the dedication and commitment Gateway students have in their pursuit of academic excellence,” says Gateway President Bryan Albrecht.

Rudy the Red Hawk gear and related items will be rolled out during the Fall 2013 season.

Gateway swears in board members

Bethany Ornortt, Kenosha; William Duncan, Walworth; and Sheila Webber, Burlington, were sworn in as the newest members of the Gateway Technical College Board of Trustees.

Bethany Ornortt

William Duncan

Sheila Webber

Gateway recognized on national certified manufacturing worker talent list

Manufacturing Institute officials have announced that Gateway Technical College is a charter member of the M-List, which recognizes schools that prepare workers for the level of industry standards in advanced manufacturing.

Gateway is the only charter member in Wisconsin to receive this honor.

The Manufacturing Institute says colleges on the list “have arranged for their students to be successful in the classroom after many years away from it, whether it’s tutoring, financial assistance or helping you to finish education, enter workforce services to do so.”

Nurt a job? Need an upgrade on your current job? Come to Gateway Technical College.

More than eight in 10 Gateway graduates have gained employment within six months of graduating from the college, earning an average hourly wage of $16.69, a recent survey indicates.

A total of 85 percent had jobs within six months of graduation and 57 percent in a program-related field. About 20 percent indicated they were not employed because they were students continuing their educational training.

Three in four of those Gateway graduates entered the workforce did so in the three-county college district of Racine, Kenosha and Walworth counties. A total of 27 percent said they chose to attend Gateway to prepare for getting a job, 27 percent said they wanted to prepare for continuing education, and 22 percent were seeking a career change and 8 percent wanted to upgrade their current job skills.
Cyrene Olson was an in-demand employee in a profession she liked, had worked in for years and could not bear doing the rest of her life. Technology and the shift away from the printing industry where she was needed, she found herself laid off as her job was eliminated. She turned to Gateway to obtain both an associate degree in Computer Support Specialist in 2010, followed by a Network Specialist degree in 2013. "I think that the knowledge gained is something one needs to be a specialist in that career," she says. "Gateway helped me to be a specialist." Mike has worked for his current employer for 25 years and runs through the ranks to his current position as a Full-time Equipment Operator. For years, he had pondered increasing his education in the field of computer technology, on which he worked. He finally decided to move forward. "I wanted to continue my education and increase my marketable skills. Even though there's no indication that I will face a layoff, I know really what will happen, especially in today's economy. I wanted to improve my viability in the workforce," says Mike. Mike completed his first-degree, IT-Computer Support Specialist and a Network Management certificate. He determined he could use the skills gained from the second degree to help him earn his current position as an IT technician. He took classes at Gateway, many times applying the skills he'd learned in the classroom directly at the job. He increased his knowledge and skills of operating systems, setting up and operating computers and troubleshooting.

"After you take the course, you can take the standardized test to be industry certified - that's huge for a lot of the students," - Mike Dunnings

EXPERTS TOOLS AND EMPLOYABILITY

Full-time equipment technician puts two IT degrees to work

Mike Dunning has a good job and in a career he likes. He is looking to increase his skills, though, to further cement his position at his employer. To be able to do so, he would need the skills to find work elsewhere in case of a layoff during economic times. He turned to Gateway to obtain both. Mike gained the skills to make him a more proficient computer instrument technician at his current job as well as keep up-to-date in the constantly changing information technology industry. "My Gateway degree gave me the confidence and ability to do my job even better," says Mike. "I know I can take on those added responsibilities and work on different processes and equipment now, which I would not have been able to do in the past."

"The instructors all really cared about your success," says Mike. "They went out of their way to work around your schedule, and I was able to do some of the work online, which helped with my job situation." One example Mike points to is computers that operate with a Linux system. He had little experience with Linux, but was required to learn it as part of his program, as well as becoming increasingly called to work on that system at his job. "Being able to learn more about it, and experience it with guidance from my instructors, put it in perspective for me - it was very pertinent to the job I was doing at the time," he says.

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