

Rep. Nygren: Budget committee approves new engineering school for UW-Green Bay

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Madison - On Thursday, State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette), Assembly Co-Chair of the budget-writing Joint Finance Committee, released the following statement touting the Committee's approval of a new engineering school for UW-Green Bay:

"I'm happy to announce the approval of a new engineering school for UW-Green Bay as part of the overall UW System budget. This school will be a great asset to Green Bay and the surrounding area.

"Manufacturing has always played a key role in northeastern Wisconsin's economy. As our jobs climate continues to improve, local businesses are in need of more trained engineers. The new engineering school at UW-Green Bay will be a game changer. More students will have access to quality educational opportunities to learn marketable skills, and local businesses will be able to hire more qualified college grads for well-paying positions.

"Efforts like this demonstrate the strong partnership between the State of Wisconsin and the UW System. This partnership strengthens our economy and helps to ensure our children have a bright future right here at home. I'm looking forward to seeing the great impact this school will have in the Brown County business community, the Fox Valley, and the rest of northeastern Wisconsin.

“Thank you to my fellow Joint Finance Committee members who voted in favor of this important initiative. Moving forward, I encourage both Houses of the Legislature and Governor Walker to support the UW-Green Bay engineering school in the 2017-19 State Budget.”