

# Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities: Distributes \$67,200 in CIC/UPS scholarships to students

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Madison, Wisconsin – The Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (WAICU) has distributed \$67,200 in CIC/UPS Scholarships to assist 21 students at private, nonprofit colleges and universities in Wisconsin. The scholarships were made possible by a grant from the Council of Independent Colleges (CIC) in Washington, DC, through the CIC/UPS Educational Endowment.

“We know that now, more than ever, financial aid plays a critical role in students achieving their postsecondary goals,” said Dr. Rolf Wegenke, WAICU president. “We are grateful to the CIC and UPS for providing this scholarship, which affects the deserving recipients and helps Wisconsin be one step closer to reaching our postsecondary attainment goals.”

Nationally, CIC provided more than \$1.4 million in student scholarships through state-based associations to make private colleges and universities more affordable and accessible to underserved students.

Colleges in Wisconsin that received CIC/UPS Scholarships this year from the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (WAICU) include Alverno College, Bellin College, Beloit College, Cardinal Stritch University, Carroll University, Carthage College, Concordia University Wisconsin, Edgewood College, Herzing University, Lakeland University, Lawrence University, Marian University,

Marquette University, Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Milwaukee School of Engineering, Mount Mary University, Northland College, Ripon College, St. Norbert College, Viterbo University, and Wisconsin Lutheran College.

“The Council of Independent Colleges is proud to support nearly 450 low-income, first-generation, minority, and new American students in 26 states through the CIC/UPS Scholarships,” said Marjorie Hass, president of the Council of Independent Colleges. “Through our partnership with the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, these scholarships help individual students pursue their education at one of Wisconsin’s superb independent colleges and universities.”

The CIC/UPS Scholarships Program has made a private college education possible for more than 21,000 low-income, first generation, and students of color and has had a transformative impact on individuals, families, and communities across the country.