



News release

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**Gateway to begin offering
scooter safety basic rider course**

Gateway Technical College will be offering, for the first time this training season, a scooter basic rider course.

The class consists of six hours in the classroom and 10 hours riding scooters in a format very similar to Gateway's longtime basic motorcycle rider course. Classes begin April 8 and the cost is \$220.02.

"Training is provided on new, dealer loan scooters," says lead instructor Ken Edwardson. "Scooters do not have a clutch -- it is twist the throttle and go."

Edwardson says interested students should make sure they know the difference between a moped and scooter before signing up for the course.

- The moped is defined by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation as a two-wheel unit with less than a 49cc motor and can be operated with a Class D driver's license.
- Scooters are 50cc or larger units and will require a Class M or motorcycle license.

Students who successfully complete the classroom and riding portion, including the test at the end of each section, will be given a waiver. This waiver

can be taken to a DMV station to have a Class M added to their license. Students may also receive a trained rider insurance discount for their personal scooter.

Interested students can register through Gateway's WebAdvisor at www.gtc.edu or at a Student Services office at Gateway's three main campuses at Kenosha, Racine or Elkhorn, or Burlington Center. For more information, call (262) 564-3900 or email carstensj@gtc.edu.

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