

1        **AN ACT** *to create* 36.25 (49) and 38.04 (32) of the statutes; **relating to:** cultural  
 2            competency training for medical students and students enrolled in programs in a  
 3            health care occupation in the University of Wisconsin–System and certain technical  
 4            college students.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE:** This draft was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council’s Special Committee on Infant Mortality.

This draft requires students enrolled in the University of Wisconsin–Madison School of Medicine and Public Health, in a health care occupation program, or in the school of social work to receive training in cultural competency to improve patient–centered care, which shall include evidence–based training related to implicit bias and emerging evidence related to cultural humility, in order to increase the students’ cultural sensitivity and to improve the students’ ability to communicate with, and effectively deliver health care to, patients from different racial and ethnic backgrounds.

The draft also requires that students enrolled in health care occupation programs in the Wisconsin Technical College System to receive this training.

5            **SECTION 1.** 36.25 (49) of the statutes is created to read:

6            36.25 (49) CULTURAL COMPETENCY TRAINING. The board shall ensure that all students  
 7            enrolled in the University of Wisconsin–Madison School of Medicine and Public Health, or  
 8            in any program providing instruction for a health care or social work occupation, receive  
 9            training in cultural competency to improve patient–centered care, which shall include  
 10           evidence–based training related to implicit bias and emerging evidence related to cultural  
 11           humility, in order to increase the students’ cultural awareness and to improve the students’

1 ability to communicate with, and effectively deliver health care to, patients from different  
2 racial and ethnic backgrounds.

**NOTE:** Requires students enrolled in the University of Wisconsin–Madison School of Medicine and Public Health, in a health care occupation program, or in the school of social work to receive training in cultural competency.

3 **SECTION 2.** 38.04 (32) of the statutes is created to read:

4 38.04 (32) CULTURAL COMPETENCY TRAINING. The board shall ensure that technical  
5 college students enrolled in health care occupation programs receive training in cultural  
6 competency to improve patient–centered care, which shall include evidence–based training  
7 related to implicit bias and emerging evidence related to cultural humility, in order to increase  
8 the students’ cultural awareness and to improve the students’ ability to communicate with, and  
9 effectively deliver health care to patients from different racial and ethnic backgrounds.

**NOTE:** Requires that students enrolled in technical college health care occupation programs receive training in cultural sensitivity.

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