

La Crosse state lawmaker, Jill Billings, has been chosen as an up-and-coming leader by her peers to participate in a training program designed to further develop leadership skills, and analyze a variety of public policy issues, including the economy, economic development and corrections. Billings says not a lot of people are selected for the training.

Since 1995 more than 575 lawmakers have graduated from the Bowhay Institute, including Senator Jennifer Shilling, who attended in 2001.