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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### WGU Tennessee To Hold First Commencement Ceremony

NASHVILLE (June XX, 2014) – [WGU Tennessee](#) will hold its first commencement ceremony on June 14 at the Renaissance Hotel in Nashville.

Commencement speakers will include members of the graduating class and WGU Tennessee advisory board member Shannon Brown, senior vice president and chief human resources and diversity officer for FedEx Express.

Launched last year as part of Gov. Bill Haslam’s “Drive to 55” initiative, WGU Tennessee is the state’s accredited, nonprofit university.

**WHO:** Dr. Kimberly Estep, chancellor of WGU Tennessee  
Shannon Brown, WGU Tennessee advisory board member, senior vice president and chief human resources and diversity officer for FedEx Express  
WGU Tennessee students and faculty

**WHEN:** Saturday, June 14  
10 a.m.

**WHERE:** Renaissance Hotel  
Grand Ballroom  
611 Commerce Street  
Nashville, TN 37203

### About WGU Tennessee

WGU Tennessee is an online, nonprofit, competency-based university established to expand Tennesseans’ access to higher education throughout the state. Formed through a partnership between the state of Tennessee and nationally recognized Western Governors University, WGU Tennessee is open to all qualified Tennessee residents. The university offers more than 50 undergraduate and graduate degree programs in the high-demand career fields of business, K-12 teacher education, information technology, and health professions, including nursing.

Degrees are granted under the accreditation of Western Governors University, which is accredited through the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). Teachers College programs are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher

Education (NCATE), and nursing programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).\*

In addition to WGU Tennessee, there are four other WGU state-based, state-endorsed universities: [WGU Indiana](#), established in June 2010; [WGU Washington](#), established in April 2011; [WGU Texas](#), established in August 2011; and [WGU Missouri](#), established in February 2013.

For more information, visit the WGU Tennessee website, <http://tennessee.wgu.edu/>, or call 855-948-8495.

\*Western Governors University offers nursing programs that are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 5380, Washington, DC 20036, 202-877-6791).

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