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Competition heavy for SIAS grads

SIAS Kelsey career fair exhibitor numbers double

January 21, 2009 – SIAS Kelsey Campus hosted its career fair in Saskatoon today. Employers from Saskatchewan and Alberta met with students from engineering technology, industrial, science and health, technology, community services, nursing and recreation and tourism programs.

“SIAS grads continue to be in high demand,” says Tracy Hoeber, employment services coordinator, SIAS Kelsey Campus. “A significant number of our students secure jobs before their training ends. This career employment fair provides another way for business and industry to connect with their future workforce.”

The career employment fair was organized by the SIAS Kelsey Campus Student Employment Services (SES) office. Each SES office at SIAS provides career information, job search and recruitment services to students and employers.

While more than 1,500 SIAS students at SIAS Kelsey Campus expected to explore their employment options, there were also students in the crowd who already had job offers in hand. This year, SIAS has seen a change in on-campus recruitment. Employers started providing company information sessions to students in late fall, and

job offers started going out before December 2008. Many students won't complete their training until April and May of this year.

With 80 different employers trying to recruit SIAST students to work for their companies, SIAST Kelsey Campus's career fair is an initiative that benefits everyone.

SIAST is Saskatchewan's primary public institution for post-secondary technical education and skills training, recognized nationally and internationally for its expertise and innovation. More than 13,000 students are registered in SIAST programs, which touch every sector of the economy; additionally, the organization draws almost 32,000 individual course registrations. It operates campuses in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon, and provides a number of courses and programs through distance education.

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