

MEDIA RELEASE

SIAST Kelsey rewards excellence

Students honoured for outstanding academic performance

Saskatoon, **November 26**, **2007** – SIAST Kelsey Campus honoured students this afternoon with scholarships and awards valued at \$262,548.

"Donor contributions are important for ensuring that SIAST can continuously provide quality education and services," says SIAST president and CEO, Dr. Bob McCulloch. "I applaud all of the award recipients for their achievement, and I extend heartfelt thanks to each of the donors who makes these awards possible."

Today's ceremony recognized SIAST Kelsey's top students, including 52 first-year Centennial Merit Scholarship recipients. Through the Centennial Merit Scholarship program, Advanced Education, Employment and Labour matches donations from SIAST employees, individual donors, companies and other organizations to create scholarships equal to core tuition fees. The scholarships are awarded to Saskatchewan high school graduates who meet high academic criteria.

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 11,000 students are registered in SIAST programs, which touch every sector of the economy; additionally, the organization draws more than 29,000 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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