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### **SIAS Palliser honours student achievement**

*Over \$225,000 in awards, scholarships presented to SIAS students*

**December 7, 2007** – SIAS Palliser Campus recognized the academic achievements of its students during the annual fall scholarship ceremony this afternoon with 87 awards valued at \$225,449. Awards were presented to students by donors from Moose Jaw and across the province.

“Donor contributions are important for ensuring SIAS can continuously provide quality education and services,” says SIAS president and CEO, Dr. Robert G. 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 SIAS Palliser’s top students, including 33 Centennial Merit Scholarship recipients. Through the Centennial Merit Scholarship program, Advanced Education, Employment and Labour matches donations from SIAS 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.

SIAS 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 SIAS 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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