AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

Corinne Dickey (Assistant to the Dean of the College of Business) was selected as one of nineteen Fellows participating in the Minnesota State College and University System’s Kellogg/MnSCU Leadership Institute. The Institute is an eighteen-month program designed to provide the opportunities for research of key issues within the MnSCU system. In addition to research funding, the Leadership Institute provides the opportunity for Fellows to collaborate with a team of mentors from both inside and outside of the system. It is also intended to make it possible for recipients to gain “real life” experience in a selected field of study. Dr. Dickey’s research focuses on “Serving the College Student Better Through Technology: A Potential Tool for Recruitment and Retention.”

President Rush named Penny Herickhoff (Accounting) as a winner of the Minnesota State University’s Teaching Scholar Fellowship for Summer 2000. Her project is entitled “U.S. Hate Crime Legislation as an Indicator of Current Cultural Perceptions of Human Rights.”

Sanjay Ramchander (Finance, Insurance and Real Estate) was honored with an Outstanding Paper in Economics Award at the 1999 meeting of the Association for Economics and Finance Annual Meeting. His paper was entitled: “Export Growth and Economic Performance: Evidence from Mexico.”

FINANCIAL PLANNING CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

MSU’s Financial Planning Certificate Program was held at Normandale Community College in Bloomington, Minnesota during the past academic year. Participants attended approximately eighteen evening class sessions per class, per semester. Classes in the program include: Financial Planning Process, Insurance Planning, Investment Planning, Tax Planning, Retirement Planning and Estate Planning. The program prepares students to take the Certified Financial Planner Certificate Examination. A cumulative “B” grade point average is required in order to sit for the exam. Finance professor Chan Lee is the director of this program.

EXPORT ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

This business program is designed for exporters, personnel and administrative staff of companies engaged in international operations and offshore sourcing. The program focuses on practical knowledge and the technical skills needed to successfully manage the export and import operations of a company.

Past participants have been enthusiastic about the organization of the program, its practical and thorough approach to content, and noticeable results when they’re back on the job. Students include exporters, international administration staff members, international managers, customer service personnel, purchasing staff, traffic personnel, contract personnel, customers brokers, foreign freight forwarders, sales personnel and entrepreneurs. Classes touch on subjects such as export strategy, legal issues, documents, transportation, packaging and insurance, regulations and methods of payment. Professor Basil Janavaras directs this program.