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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EIU OFFERS COURSES IN MATTOON

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University is offering several courses at Lake Land College in Mattoon to support learners in Eastern's Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts (BOG/BA) degree program.

The BOG/BA degree program allows individuals to complete an undergraduate degree through building on two years of community college credit with upper division courses and credit for work-related experience.

Offered on Friday evenings and Saturdays, the courses include "Science vs. Humanity" (EIU 4031C-120), April 11-12 and April 25-26. The course examines recent developments in biology that present society with life preserving, saving and altering abilities. The ethical and social questions raised by these abilities also will be explored.

"The Romantic Vision" (EIU 4006C-115), from 7 to 9:30 p.m. on Mondays beginning Jan. 13, studies the romantic vision of human nature and critiques that vision in light of modern experience. Authors surveyed include Twain, Camus,

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Marx and Erikson.

Another weekend course, "Drugs and Society" (HST 4800-115), offered Feb. 21-22, Feb. 28-March 1 and March 7-8, provides participants with an introduction to drugs and drug use from a historical, biological and social perspective, with an emphasis on the physiological and pharmacological action of drugs in the body.

Another perspective on drugs and their impact will be provided in the weekend workshop, "Understanding the Substance Abuse Affected Child" (PSY 4998-123). This weekend workshop on Friday evening, Jan. 24, and Saturday, Jan. 25, is designed for professionals who interact with children affected by alcohol and drug use, abuse and addiction. The impact of prenatal exposure as well as parenting will be explored.

"Professional and Business Communication" (SPC 3998-121), which meets on Friday evening, Jan. 17, and Saturday, Jan. 18, is designed for learners who want to learn more about communication in work-related settings, including interview skills and persuasion/sales.

For more information on how to register for these courses, call the Office of Off-Campus and Contract Credit Programs at 1-800-446-8918 or 581-5114.

For information about the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts degree program, call Kaye Woodward at 581-5618.