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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES AWARDS GIVEN AT EIU

CHARLESTON – Several Eastern Illinois University students recently were presented awards and scholarships by the institution's Department of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Recipients include:

ARCOLA – Lindsay A. Yoder, daughter of Allen and Ruth Ann Yoder of Arcola; 1998 graduate of Arcola High School; senior family and consumer sciences major; received the 2001 Outstanding Senior Award in Hospitality which is presented to an outstanding senior in hospitality management who shows evidence of scholarship and leadership abilities.

AURORA – Michelle M. Benoit, daughter of William and Deborah Benoit of Aurora;

1996 graduate of West Aurora High School; graduate student in the family and
consumer sciences' dietetics program; received the Carolyn Kluesner Modglin Memorial
Scholarship which is presented to a graduate student studying dietetics or food and

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nutrition and who has a 3.5 or higher grade point average. The recipient must be of high moral standing and financial need is a consideration. Ms. Benoit graduated with her master of science in family and consumer science in December 2001.

CARLINVILLE – Sandra L. Hussey, daughter of Dan and Judy Hussey of Carlinville;

1998 graduate of Carlinville High School; senior family and consumer sciences major;

received the 2001 Ruth Gaertner Scholarship. Established by the family of Ruth

Gaertner, former residence hall food service director, this annual award is presented to
an outstanding student majoring in family and consumer sciences with a dietetics

option. Hussey also received the 2001 Outstanding Senior Award in Dietetics, an

award presented to an outstanding senior in dietetics who shows evidence of
scholarship and leadership abilities.

EDWARDSVILLE – Lynn M. Stahlhut, daughter of Warren and Karma Stahlhut of Edwardsville; 1999 graduate of Metro-East Lutheran High School in Edwardsville; junior family and consumer sciences major; received the Elsie and Erson Giffin Scholarship. The scholarship goes annually to outstanding students enrolled in a family and consumer sciences program.

EFFINGHAM – Erica J. Garner, daughter of Larry and Julie Garner of Effingham; 1998 graduate of Effingham High School; senior family and consumer sciences major; received the 2001 Outstanding Senior Award in Merchandising which is presented annually to an outstanding senior in merchandising who shows evidence of scholarship and leadership abilities.

LEBANON - Christine M. Beckert, daughter of William and Julie Beckert of Lebanon;

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1998 graduate of Lebanon High School; senior family and consumer sciences major; received the 2001 Outstanding Senior Award in Family Services which is presented annually to an outstanding senior in family services who shows evidence of scholarship and leadership abilities.

MAYWOOD – Tamara P. Denton, daughter of Charles Denton of Maywood and Althea Moore of Broadview; 1995 graduate of Proviso East High School in Maywood; graduate student in the family and consumer sciences department; received the McNabb-Dow Graduate Scholarship. Selection is based on scholarship, leadership and service.

MT. CARMEL – Trisha M. Ackerman, daughter of Larry and Jeanne Ackerman of Mt. Carmel; 1996 graduate of Mt. Carmel High School; senior family and consumer sciences major; received the Elsie and Erson Giffin Scholarship. The scholarship goes annually to outstanding students enrolled in a family and consumer sciences program.

MT. VERNON – Jeri L. Thrasher, daughter of Michael and Shirley Thrasher of Mt. Vernon; 1997 graduate of Mt. Vernon Township High School; senior family and consumer sciences major; received the 2001 Outstanding Senior Award in Teacher Certification, an award presented annually to an outstanding senior in teacher certification who shows evidence of scholarship and leadership abilities.

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OLNEY – Tiffany L. Keller, daughter of Keith Keller of Noble and Gladys Keller of Olney; 1998 graduate of East Richland High School in Olney; senior family and consumer sciences major; received the 2001 Donna Lynn Connelly Memorial Scholarship. Established in 1989 by the parents of Donna Lynn Connelly, this award goes to a deserving female sophomore, junior or senior majoring in family and

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consumer sciences.

OTTAWA – Nicole M. Woodyer, daughter of Donald and Mary Woodyer of Ottawa; 1996 graduate of Ottawa High School; graduate student in the family and consumer sciences department with an option in dietetics; received the McNabb-Dow Graduate Scholarship. Selection is based on scholarship, leadership and service.

SPRINGFIELD – Christina M. Adams, daughter of Joseph and Mary Ann Adams of Springfield; 1999 graduate of Ursuline Academy in Springfield; junior family and consumer sciences major; received the Elsie and Erson Giffin Scholarship. The scholarship goes annually to outstanding students enrolled in a family and consumer sciences program.