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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EIU STUDENTS RECEIVE CHEMISTRY AWARDS

CHARLESTON – The following Eastern Illinois University students recently received chemistry awards:

ALTON – Diana N. Davis, daughter of Leameal and Crystal Davis of Alton; 1999 graduate of Alton High School; freshman biology/chemistry major; received the *CRC (Chemical Rubber Company) Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award*, maintained for more than 50 years and established to encourage and sustain interest in the sciences.

PARIS – Timothy Curl, son of Dale and Cheryl Curl of Paris; 1999 graduate of Paris High School; freshman pre-engineering major; received the *CRC (Chemical Rubber Company) Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award*, maintained for more than 50 years and established to encourage and sustain interest in the sciences.

OAK FOREST – Jeannine Marie Christensen, daughter of Wesley and Kathleen Christensen of Oak Forest; 1993 graduate of Victor J. Andrew High School in Tinley

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Park; graduate student in the master of science program; received the *Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award* given to a graduate student whose performance as a teaching assistant is particularly exemplary.

TRENTON – Catherine A. Jones, daughter of Frank L. and Mary L. Jones of Trenton; 1998 graduate of Mater Dei Catholic High School in Breese; sophomore biochemistry major; received the *ACS (American Chemical Society) Polymer Chemistry Award* given to the outstanding student in the two-semester organic chemistry course for chemistry majors. The award honors undergraduate students on the sophomore or junior level for achievement in a basic chemistry course; also received the *Edward O. Sherman Memorial Chemistry Scholarship*, established in 1987 in memory of Edward O. Sherman, chemistry professor from 1977 until his death in 1986. The award is paid annually to a sophomore chemistry major who gives promise of distinguished service in the field of chemistry.