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For Immediate Release:

EIU SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO HOLD ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

CHARLESTON – All interested persons are invited to attend the Fall 2001 Honors Convocation sponsored by Eastern Illinois University's Department of Special Education.

Each fall, Special Education Recognition Awards are presented to majors who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of leadership, scholarship and service in the education of students with exceptional needs.

In addition to the approximately 90 awards, recognition will be given to graduating seniors and officers of two student organizations – the Student Council for Exceptional Children and Sigma Rho Epsilon.

The ceremony will take place between 10 and 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, in the Grand Ballroom of the University Union. There is no admission charge.

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Eastern Illinois University emphasizes distinguished teaching in the liberal arts, sciences and selected professions. A traditional, residential state university of recognized quality, Eastern enrolls more than 10,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs. The university, located in Charleston, also serves the region through a variety of non-credit and off-site degree programs, as well as cultural and recreational opportunities. Eastern's pursuit of excellence attracts well-qualified students of an increasingly diverse population and a teaching faculty active in research and public service who utilize the latest technology.