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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

CDS HONORS OUTSTANDING ALUMNUS, FIRST GRADUATE CLASS

CHARLESTON, IL-- Lyle Lloyd, a Purdue University professor and recognized speech pathologist, has been named Outstanding Alumnus by the Department of Communication Disorders and Sciences (CDS) at Eastern Illinois University.

A 1956 EIU alumnus, Lloyd was presented with the award at Eastern's first CDS Alumni Symposium where he was the featured speaker.

Lloyd, who shared his expertise in the area of augmentative/alternative forms of communication, was honored for his professional contributions to the field of communication disorders and sciences.

Special recognition was also given to EIU alumni Shirley Mintun of Mattoon and Maggie Hollowell of Charleston, who were honored as members of the first CDS graduate class, celebrating the 25th anniversary in conjunction with the symposium.

At Purdue, Lloyd is a professor in audiology and speech sciences and special education and an assistant director in the Purdue Research Foundation, Division of Sponsored Programs.

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He has spent most of his 37 years in the communication disorders and sciences field in positions in higher education at the University of Iowa, Western Michigan University, University of Kansas and Gallaudet College. He has also served as executive secretary and health scientist administrator for the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.

Lloyd has published widely in his field and is editor of the Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Journal and a consulting editor on numerous other journals.

His honors include being named a fellow of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and American Association on Mental Retardation. He is also a founding member of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication, an organization which has honored him with its President's Award.

Lloyd's bachelor's degree from Eastern is in speech pathology and physical education. He also holds a master's degree in hearing and speech disorders from the University of Illinois and a Ph.D. in speech pathology and audiology from the University of Iowa.