2011 INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS

The Florence Sponberg Scholar Karishma Manandhar Kathmandu, Nepal

Nursing Major "I am honored and pleased to be one of the scholars of the renowned Endowment Scholarship. It encourages

me to put in more effort to extract the true value of this scholarship. I am grateful to my family, friends, all donors, the Endowment committee and the staff of the IC."



The Elizabeth Kearney Scholar Sobia Khan

Karachi, Pakistan Corporate Finance Major

"I feel fortunate and blessed for being selected to receive the Elizabeth Kearney award. My desire to seek a high education level

at Minnesota State Mankato drove me to apply for this award, which has brought me closer to realizing my dream which many people around the world, sadly, do not enjoy."

The Louise Steele Syverson & Linda Steele Scholar

Smita Sikhrakar Kathmandu, Nepal **Nursing Major**

"I am extremely honored to be one of the recipients of the Endowment

Scholarship. This Scholarship encourages me to continue my hard work and accept the challenging nursing course. I want to express my aratitude to Endowment Committee, donors, and the Kearney International Center for their generosity."



The Beatrice & Joseph Moosally Scholar

Nansy Pradhan Kathmandu, Nepal International Relations Major

"I am extremely grateful to the International Center and the Scholarship

Committee for considering me worthy of an International Student Endowment Scholarship. I would also like to thank my family and friends who have supported me. This scholarship will motivate me to go farther than I thought possible."

The Carole & Dwain Petersen Scholar

Fatima-Zohra Cherkgoui El Moursli Rabat, Morocco





life. 'Dreams are today's answers to tomorrow's questions'. I had a dream to become an engineer and today by being at Minnesota State Mankato I'm making my dream a reality."



Kiev. Ukraine

Ed. D. in Counselor Education & Supervision

"I am humbled and honored to be awarded the Gladys Olson and William Olszewski International Student Endowment Scholarship. It will help me complete my doctoral degree in College Student Affairs, and upon graduation, to work toward advancing education worldwide, even if it is one student at a time."

The Dr. Kuhn H. Lee Scholar **Riya Gurung** Kathmandu, Nepal

Communication Disorder Major

"I appreciate your consideration and would like to thank all the Scholarship

Committee for selecting me as one of the recipients of International Student Endowment Scholarship. I

am excited and would like to assure everyone that this opportunity will be taken as a positive reinforcement to achieve my goal."



The Mary Taggart/Wally & Jean Jaax Memorial Scholar **Julian Bernal** Bogotá, Colombia

scholarship committee, ISSS and all donors."

Mechanical Engineering Major "Receiving this scholarship is a great

distinction for me. This recognition will not only make me work harder on finishing my career in Mechanical Engineering, but will also give me extra incentive to continue my education much farther after finishing my undergraduate studies."



The Viola Holbrook & Jane Roberts Memorial Scholar **Bishal Maharjan** Kathmandu, Nepal Physics Major

"I feel honored to receive this Endowment Scholarship. The scholarship not only helps me financially, but also motivates me to work even harder to achieve academic excellence and maintain the standard of this scholarship. I would like to express my sincere aratitude to the



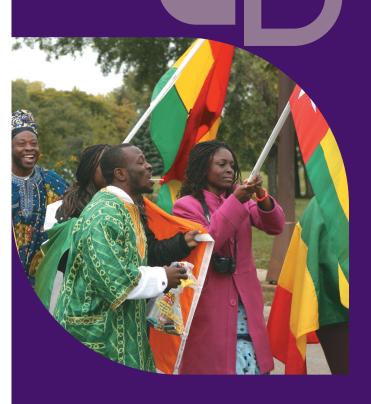
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International Student Endowment 2010-11







MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Friends of the Endowment and of International Students:

It's always a great pleasure, as well as somethina of a challenge, to write to you who share a passion for supporting international students on the Minnesota State Mankato campus. All of us feel a thrill of delight when we encounter students from so far away-from Asia and Southeast Asia, from Africa and the Middle East, from Europe and the Americas, from distant places in the Pacific. I think the reason for this frisson is that we harbor a secret (or maybe not-so-secret) appreciation, an understanding that their presence among us brings gifts with it: gifts of music, dance and song; of dress, habits and mores. And food! And, as our Scholars demonstrate in spades, acute intellectual abilities. All of these have the potential to enrich-and sometimes challenge-our own views and outlooks. From this can come an enlarged and expanded vision of our common humanity as well as our greatest of all needs: to find out how we can work in concert to build a world of cooperation, of appreciation of differences, of a sense of that we are all brothers and sisters, we are all of one family.

And so our brochure is a celebration of diversity as well as of accomplishment. Our Committee and the international students featured here are profoundly grateful for your gifts and your support. We hope we can count on your continued assistance.



Bill Olszewski Chair. International Student **Endowment** Committee

ENDOWMENT AND ISSS NEWSBRIEFS

- > This winter we lost a long-time supporter and bygone-era gentleman, Cornelius Votca. Cornelius was one of the constants at our meetings; there he was, steadfast and swift to shake every hand before we began our business. We miss him sorely. There seems to be a hole in our meeting-circle.
- > Cita Maignes, International Recruitment and Retention Specialist, has, with the burgeoning Friendship Family Program, established a bicycle-loan program for internationals.
- > Jackson Wu, an '83 alumnus from Taiwan, received a Minnesota State Mankato Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award last spring. The awards are presented to graduates "who have achieved high rank or honor in their professions, have a widespread effect on their communities, and are recognized for their achievements over the course of their careers".
- > ISSS Director Tom Gjersvig was invited to a two-week Fulbright International Education Administrators Seminar in South Korea. Participants saw various institutions of higher learning and discussed the particular needs of Korean students who come here. They also explored the increased services in Korea for study abroad students.
- > ISSS continues to be acknowledged by the U.S. government agencies overseeing student programs. The result has been an increase in incoming students from central & eastern Europe and from former soviet republics.
- > Total scholarship grants for the 2010-11 year amounted to \$17,650. Our costs were limited to the price of printing brochures, about \$650. Thus about 96% of our earnings goes toward scholarships.

2010-2011 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Brenda Flannery, Thomas Gjersvig, Donna & Dale Hanke, Sandy Hyde & Creighton Wersal, Elizabeth

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Doctoral	5	Hong Kong	3	Bahrain	2
Graduate 16	-	India	64	Isreal	1
Undergraduate 42	-	Indonesia	2	Jordan	1
TOTAL 58	_	Japan	22	Lebanon	1
	0	Khazakhastan	2	Saudi Arabia	24
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5				Countries	75

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