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University Faculty Awarded for Distance Instruction

PIERRE, S.D. – Four faculty members from South Dakota’s public university system are among the state’s best in delivering quality instruction by distance, and their efforts have been recognized with a South Dakota Board of Regents’ e-learning award.

To be eligible for the Faculty Recognition Awards for Excellence in E-learning, the university course must have been completed in the 2005 calendar year and be delivered by interactive video or the Internet. “More than ever before, our students turn to distance delivery to help meet their educational needs,” said Sam Gingerich, the regents’ chief academic officer. “These awards recognize some of the best instructors in our system who design meaningful learning experiences as they work with this technology every day.”

The winners of the e-learning awards are:

- **Maureen Murphy** of **Dakota State University**, who earned the “best overall” award in the competition for her Introduction to Literature (ENGL 210) course.
- **Renee Oscarson** of **South Dakota State University** for an Introduction to Gerontology (GERO 201) course.
- **Rose Goeden’s** course in Medical Terminology (HIM 130) at **Dakota State University**.
- **Roger Ochse** of **Black Hills State University** for the course he teaches in Introduction to Literature (ENGL 210).

Each winner receives a \$1,000 cash award, and Murphy as the best overall winner received an additional \$1,000 award. The faculty members will be presented their awards by the Board of Regents at its October 19-20 meeting on the Dakota State University campus in Madison.

South Dakota Board of Regents' E-Learning Award Recipients



Rose Goeden, DSU



Maureen Murphy, DSU



Roger Ochse, BHSU



Renee Oscarson, SDSU

Recipients are pictured with Board of Regents President Harvey Jewett.
The July press release on the e-learning awards is available at
<http://www.sdbor.edu/publications/documents/071406ElearningAwards.pdf>