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## **Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth Sandlin Addresses Colorado Technical University Sioux Falls Graduates**

Sioux Falls, N.D. (Jan. 29, 2010) – Family, friends, staff and faculty of Colorado Technical University (CTU) Sioux Falls gathered on Jan. 9 at the Washington Pavilion to recognize the accomplishments of the first graduating class of 2010. Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth Sandlin, South Dakota’s only member of Congress and chairwoman of the Veterans’ Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, delivered the commencement speech.

Sandlin, a resident of Brookings, S.D., discussed the importance of education for local residents to remain competitive in today’s ever-evolving business environment and the growing need for the nation’s veterans and military members to receive educational benefits and opportunities. Sandlin is currently serving her fourth term as representative and throughout her time in Congress, Sandlin has served on a number of committees vital to South Dakota’s interests such as agriculture, natural resources and veterans’ affairs.

“Graduation day is always the best day in the life of any university. This day was no exception,” said David Heflin, CTU Sioux Falls campus President. “Our graduates have worked hard, and they had an opportunity to celebrate their efforts and accomplishments. Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth Sandlin’s address to our graduates and participation in the celebration capped off a great event.”

The graduating class includes 85 members and 51 walked in the ceremony. The most popular degree awarded was the bachelor's degree in business administration. CTU Sioux Falls offers a wide range of academic programs in areas including: business and management, criminal justice and public administration, engineering and computer science, health sciences and information sciences and technology.

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### **About Colorado Technical University**

Founded in 1965, Colorado Technical University (CTU) provides higher education for today's career-focused students and offers them support, flexibility and resources to advance personally and professionally. In addition to degree-track programs at the associate and bachelor's levels, CTU offers master's and doctoral degrees through the [CTU Institute of Advanced Studies](#) -- an innovative approach to graduate degrees for career-motivated professionals.

CTU campuses include ground schools in Denver; Colorado Springs, Colo.; Pueblo, Colo.; Sioux Falls, S.D., and Kansas City; and an internet-based division that delivers degree programs 100 percent online. In fact, the award-winning CTU Online Virtual Campus was recognized as "Best of the Best" in the 2009 Computerworld Honors Program. For more information, please visit [www.coloradotech.edu](http://www.coloradotech.edu).

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