

CTU's Sioux Falls Campus Announces Addition of Court Reporting Program

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (Nov. 18, 2008) – Thanksgiving is coming one week early for the Sioux Falls campus of Colorado Technical University (CTU). That's because Thursday, November 20th marks the beginning of a new era with the unveiling of CTU's Court Reporting degree program.

South Dakota Supreme Court Chief Justice David Gilbertson will speak at the event, along with the Honorable Glen Severson, the presiding judge of the Second Judicial Circuit; representatives from the South Dakota State Court Reporters Association; and members of the CTU Sioux Falls faculty.

The event is scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m.

According to labor statistics, nearly 50 percent of the official court reporters from South Dakota and seven neighboring states will be eligible for retirement in the next 10 years.

"There are no other court reporting schools in this immediate area, and with so many people possibly retiring soon, we're ready to work with the Unified Judicial System to meet this need," said Joni Cutler, CTU Dean of Criminal Justice and Public Administration. "This is really exciting news."

Starting January 5, 2009, students can begin their studies toward associate and bachelor's degrees in court reporting. These degrees join existing academic programs in paralegal studies and criminal justice with concentrations in forensics and human services.

"This is an exciting opportunity for people who are interested in law and the judicial system," Cutler said. "We're happy to offer a program that has good employment possibilities in a time where people are looking for professions that can offer immediate opportunities. Court Reporting fits CTU's mission well as a high-tech program with good earning potential."

About Colorado Technical University

Since 1965, Colorado Technical University (CTU), an institution of higher learning that provides career-oriented education by teaching applied industry programs, has provided students with a pathway towards personal, academic, and professional advancement. CTU offers degree-track programs at the Associate, Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral levels in a variety of disciplines. For more information about Colorado Technical University, please visit www.coloradotech.edu. Through its internet-based channel, CTU Online, the university offers degree programs that are delivered 100% online. For more information about the online campus, visit www.ctuonline.edu.

Colorado Technical University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The University is also a member of the Career Education Corporation (NASDAQ:CECO) network of colleges, universities and schools.

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