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U.S. Century Bank Awards Scholarships to FIU Honors College Students



MIAMI, **May 26, 2008** – Three graduating students from the Florida International University Honor’s College were pleased to receive scholarship awards from U.S. Century Bank, one of the fastest growing community banks headquartered in Miami. The awards were announced during the College’s annual graduation ceremony. FIU Honors College Interim Dean, Lesley A. Northrup was joined by U.S. Century Bank SVP, Regional Manager, Frank Fernandez and Ruth Jimenez, VP, Branch Manager, and Honors College Community Advisory Board Chair.

“At U.S. Century Bank we have developed a very special relationship with FIU and we are pleased to recognize, today, some of the students who excel in their studies and service,” said Ruth Jimenez. As a bank headquartered in Miami, we recognize that this university, our only public university, provides a good quality and affordable education to many students in our community,” she added.

“The Honors College is pleased to partner with U.S. Century Bank. Dr. Lesley A. Northup, Dean of The Honors College, remarked, “These gifts today are just another example of the support we continue to receive from U.S. Century Bank, a true partner to FIU,” she added.

U.S. Century Bank presented Meliza Frias with *The Excellence with Honors Award* which honors the student who most represents the ideals of excellence, achievement and leadership. Meliza received a \$1,000 scholarship gift from the Bank. U.S. Century Bank also presented two *Outstanding Service Awards* to students who have been most actively engaged in the Honors College and the wider community. Melissa Gaviria and Daniela Ottati each received a gift of \$250.00 from the Bank.

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