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**PRESS RELEASE:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scholarship Award Competition for  
“SCUSA at 60: Measuring Progress  
and Defining New Challenges”  
STUDENT CONFERENCE ON  
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The International Center of The Capital Region (ICCR) is honored to announce its second annual scholarship award competition for international student participation in the Student Conference on United States Affairs at the United States Military Academy, West Point. SCUSA will be celebrating its 60th year this fall, and the conference is tentatively scheduled for November 5-8, 2008.

The ICCR will proudly sponsor the participation of an outstanding international student who is matriculated at one of the undergraduate colleges and universities in New York’s Capital Region, to serve as our delegate to the 2008 SCUSA Conference. We invite fully matriculated international students who are in either their senior or junior year, at the top of their class (3.2 GPA or higher), and majoring in a pertinent subject area to compete for the opportunity to attend this prestigious conference.

Last year, Christian Wolf, Class of 2009 Siena College, was awarded the ICCR’s first scholarship award. After attending the West Point Conference, Christian was a guest speaker at the ICCR’s annual event. Christian spoke about the Conference and he noted how attendance and participation at SCUSA was a significant enhancement to his undergraduate education in the United States.

Previous SCUSA conferences have hosted over 200 students from 125 schools throughout the United States and Canada, 14 delegates from foreign military schools and 33 Fulbright scholars representing 30 countries. Eighty United States Military Academy cadets participated as delegates and approximately 120 cadets assisted in organization, logistics and administration. The entire structure of the conference is designed to provide a premiere educational experience for the student delegates where they have the opportunity to interact both individually and in group settings with foreign policy experts and to learn from each other. The goal is that when student delegates depart West Point, they do so with a greater understanding of the complexities surrounding foreign policy development.

The ICCR scholarship will provide the registration fee to attend this recognized prestigious conference. Information is available at the ICCR website: [www.iccr.org](http://www.iccr.org), and please feel free to direct all your questions or concerns to: Barbara Opitz ([bopitz@skidmore.edu](mailto:bopitz@skidmore.edu)).