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## **UNIVERSITY OF SAINT MARY RECEIVES \$7,000 GRANT FROM AT&T TO SUPPORT HEALTH-CARE TECHNOLOGY**

Excelsior Grant Assists With High-Tech Training for Nursing Students

**Leavenworth, Dec. 3, 2007** — The AT&T Foundation, the corporate philanthropy organization of AT&T Inc. (NYSE:T), today announced a \$7,000 grant to support the University of Saint Mary through the AT&T Excelsior competitive technology grant program.

The AT&T Excelsior program helps schools and nonprofits integrate technology into their operations. This grant will provide the university with technology funding and training for the Emergency Care Simulator, a software system that includes “virtual reality” training scenarios to instruct nursing students and nursing professionals.

“The health care industry is upgrading its technological infrastructure at an amazing pace, and nursing students need to be able to keep up with the latest developments,” said Sister Diane Steele, president of the University of Saint Mary. “With this support from AT&T, our faculty, staff, and students will benefit from the best technology and training available.”

“The University of Saint Mary plays an important role in educating the best and brightest students both locally and from around the world,” said Kansas State Senator Mark Gilstrap. “Using educational technology is just one more example of how this institution is making sure students are ready for the future.”

“Technology plays a vital role in the success of educational institutions,” said Mike Scott, external affairs director, AT&T Kansas. “I’m proud that funding from AT&T can help the University of Saint Mary stay on the cutting edge.”

Since 2002, the AT&T Excelsior program has provided more than 2,500 technology grants — totaling more than \$47.8 million — to organizations across the country. In 2007, AT&T awarded \$9 million in Excelsior technology grants to 680 nonprofit organizations across the country.



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