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University Park, Illinois, February 28, 2013 - Governors State University's Dual Degree Program (DDP) has been selected to receive the Outstanding Program/Project Award from the Commission for Admissions, Orientation, and First Year Experience, a unit of the American College Personnel Association (ACPA).

The Dual Degree Program will be honored March 3 at the Awards Ceremony and Leadership/Corporate Partner Reception during the ACPA's annual convention in Las Vegas.

"We are pleased that the ACPA has recognized the unique qualities and success of the Dual Degree Program," said GSU President Elaine P. Maimon. "This program has been a partnership with our community colleges, and I want to thank them for working so closely with us for student success. The DDP has put GSU at the forefront of the national efforts to create seamless pathways from the community colleges to university graduation."

GSU's nationally recognized Dual Degree Program is an innovative partnership between the university and area community colleges that paves the way for successful completion of both associate and bachelor's degrees. DDP students receive:

- Guaranteed admission to GSU
- Waived application fee
- Locked in GSU tuition rate, effective the first semester in DDP
- Access to two different full-tuition scholarships
- An assigned DDP transfer specialist to help students complete their associate and bachelor's degrees in the shortest possible time frame

Approximately 400 GSU and community college students are enrolled in the Dual Degree Program. GSU's partners in the DDP are Joliet Junior College, Kankakee Community College, Moraine Valley Community College, Prairie State College, South Suburban College, Triton College, Harper College, the College of DuPage, Morton College, and the City Colleges of Chicago.

More information on the Dual Degree Program is available at www.govst.edu/dualdegree/.

ACPA, headquartered in Washington, D.C., is the leading comprehensive student affairs association that advances student affairs and engages students for a lifetime of learning and discovery. ACPA, founded in 1924, has nearly 7,500 members representing 1,200 private and public institutions from across the U.S. and around the world.

Governors State University, the only public university in the Chicago Southland region, serves more than 7,000 students in undergraduate, graduate, doctoral, and certificate programs. GSU has the most affordable undergraduate tuition in Illinois. In 2014, GSU will become a full-service, four-year university, admitting its first freshman class and introducing apartment and suite style housing.

Governors State University is located at I University Parkway, University Park, Illinois.