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(August 23, 2010)-The University of Minnesota, Morris Alumni Association (UMMAA) Board of Directors announces that Susan Jackson ’74 is a 2010 recipient of the University of Minnesota, Morris Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni Award. The award honors alumni who have made noteworthy contributions in their professional lives, in public service, or in service to the University of Minnesota. Dennis Anderson ’73 is also a 2010 recipient.

An internationally respected scholar and researcher, Rutgers University Professor of Human Resource Management Susan Jackson’s expertise is in the area of organizational psychology, the “field that subserves the science of management.” Her research focuses on three different areas: stress/burnout, strategic and international human resource management, and diversity. She is the author of numerous books, including textbooks, and periodical articles. Jackson has recently built a new Web site, GreenHRM.org, to create a virtual community for scholars and practitioner with growing interest in the area of sustainability connection with human resource management.

Jackson’s nominators state that she has “risen to the international top of her field,” and describe her work as having “real-world impact.”

After earning a degree in psychology and sociology at Morris, Jackson completed a doctorate and masters of arts in social/organizational psychology at the University of California, Berkeley. She has served on more than 15 editorial boards and was elected as fellow on four occasions. She currently serves as president of the Academy of Management, the “oldest and largest scholarly management association in the world.”

“We look forward to honoring Susan during our 2010 Homecoming celebration,” states Carla Riley ’85, director of alumni relations and annual giving. “Susan and Dennis are fitting alumni to represent the many Morris graduates who continue to make outstanding contributions to our communities and our world. They receive their awards at the Distinguished Alumni Award and Cougar Hall of Fame Banquet at 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 9, 2010, in Oyate Hall.”

All alumni and friends are invited to the banquet. RSVP online, e-mail, or call 320-589-6066.

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