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(January 8, 2009)-The University of Minnesota, Morris is ranked among the top 100 colleges nationally as a best value in the 2009 Kiplinger Best Values in Public Colleges exclusive survey. The Morris and Twin Cities campuses of the University are the only Minnesota schools to make the list.

According to the Kiplinger’s survey, on average, the annual cost for tuition, fees and room and board for an out-of-state, or in-state, student to attend the Morris campus, after aid, is $11,731. UMM offers the same tuition for both residents and non-residents of Minnesota.

"Never before has it been more critical for students and families to obtain the highest quality education possible for their money," said James Morales, associate vice chancellor for enrollment at Morris. "Students from Minnesota as well as those beyond its borders can benefit greatly from the outstanding educational value that Morris represents."

Eighty percent of those students who apply to the Morris campus are admitted and 82 percent receive some form of financial aid, said the survey, which lists the student-faculty ratio at Morris as 12:1.

“Kiplinger's bases its college rankings on a combination of outstanding academic quality and an affordable price tag,” according to Kiplinger, with academic quality weighing heavier than costs in determining the ranking.

The University of Minnesota, Morris is a student-focused campus that prepares its graduates through experiences and opportunities in and beyond the classroom including undergraduate research, service learning, study abroad and internships. The Morris campus is a national leader in sustainability initiatives with a vision of energy self-sufficiency and carbon neutrality by 2010. Morris: a renewable, sustainable education. Learn more at Morris.

Through personal and academic discovery, the University of Minnesota, Morris provides opportunities for students to grow intellectually, engage in community, experience environmental stewardship and celebrate diversity. A renewable and sustainable educational experience, Morris prepares graduates for careers, for advanced degrees, for lifelong learning, for work world flexibility in the future, and for global citizenship. Learn more about Morris at morris.umn.edu or call 888-866-3382.