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NINETEEN-YEAR-OLD EARNs MASTER’S DEGREE AT THUNDERBIRD

Jonathan Singh among first graduating class of school’s new master’s programs

(GLENDALE, Ariz.) Dec. 15, 2008 — Nineteen-year-old Jonathan Singh received a Master’s of Science in Global Management to become the youngest student to graduate from Thunderbird School of Global Management in Glendale, Ariz. Two-hundred and twenty students representing 26 countries were part of Thunderbird’s commencement ceremony that included 26 students from the inaugural class of the Master of Science program and 18 students from the inaugural Master of Arts in Global Affairs and Management program.

Singh always had the knack for learning. Even the most advanced courses at his junior high school presented little challenge, and after his mother suggested that he might be able to skip high school, he took the ACT and scored well above average. His high ACT score and well-developed maturity got him into Phoenix Community College and later into Arizona State University, he received his undergraduate degree in business in 2007.

Singh says he now plans to launch a career in political risk consulting. He also has interest in international politics and economics.

“Interacting with people from all over the world, understanding their views, and building commonality are some of the fondest memories I have at this school,” said Singh. “More than anything else, Thunderbird has taught me how to relate to people from all over the world.”

The Master of Arts and Master of Science degrees, which began in the Fall of 2007, include 12 months of intense work. The programs offer students with little or no prior work experience an opportunity to tap Thunderbird’s world-renowned management education. This includes admitting students straight out of undergraduate schools.

In addition to the Master of Arts and Master of Science programs, 91 full-time MBA students, 74 Executive MBA students, and 11 students from Thunderbird-Indiana University Kelly Direct dual degree program graduated on Dec. 12 at Renaissance Glendale Hotel & Spa. This is also the first graduating class of the Thunderbird-Indiana University Kelly Direct dual degree program.

The president of the Inter-American Development Bank Luis Alberto Moreno received an honorary Doctor of International Laws during the graduation ceremony. Moreno, who is an alumnus of Thunderbird and the former Ambassador of Colombia to the United States, also delivered the commencement address.

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About Thunderbird

Founded in 1946, Thunderbird is the first and oldest graduate management school focused exclusively on global business. It is regarded as the world’s leading institution in the education of global managers and has operations in the United States, Latin America, Asia and Europe, including Russia. Ranked No. 1 in international business by the Financial Times, U.S. News & World Report, and The Wall Street Journal/Harris Interactive 2007 Business School Survey, Thunderbird is dedicated to educating global leaders who create sustainable prosperity worldwide. The school’s programs facilitate the development of the global mindset, which is critical to managing effectively in different social, economic and political environments. More than
38,000 students have graduated from Thunderbird, and its alumni live and work in more than 140 countries. For more about Thunderbird, please visit: www.thunderbird.edu.