

Department of Accountancy Excel Winners

UIS accountancy majors have earned a total of fourteen EXCEL (formerly the Elijah Watt Sells) awards. During the past nine years eleven awards were earned, one for every 30 first-time CPA exam candidates. This is over six times the national rate of one award per 192 first-time candidates. Nationally, this prestigious award is earned by only 120 of the approximately 60,000 candidates who sit for each of these semi-annual national exams.

Students who receive this award are honored at a semi-annual recognition dinner by the Illinois Society of CPA's in Chicago, Illinois. A list of all UIS students who have earned national honors on the CPA exam follows:



May, 2000. Brian L. Stocker. Brian L. Stocker received his bachelor's degree in political science from Blackburn College and his juris doctor degree from Washington University. Prior to sitting for the CPA exam, he completed all of his accounting courses at the University of Illinois at Springfield. Stocker is an attorney for the Illinois Department of

Revenue in Springfield.



November, 1999. Nancy French. Nancy French lives in Forsyth, Illinois and is employed by Jon D. French, CPA, in Decatur.

May, 1998. Laura Subick. Laura Subick lives in Bethalto, Illinois, and is a staff accountant at Sikich Gardner & Co., LLP.

November, 1997. Jane Wang.

May, 1997. Timothy Hull. Accountant for H.M. Buckley and Sons, Inc., a wholesale florist company.

May, 1997. Paul Boyer. Staff accountant in the Springfield office of the CPA firm Pandolfi, Topolski, Weiss, & Co.

November, 1995. Micah Reuel Bartlett. Vice President, Controller, Castle BancGroup, Inc., DeKalb, Illinois

May, 1995. Ann Gordon. Vice President and Controller for Private Business, Inc., Brentwood, Tennessee. PBI develops and sells software to banks, in addition to providing marketing services for banks.

November, 1993. Robert Lynn Scott. Accountant at Horace Mann, Springfield, Illinois.

November, 1991. Lois L. Frazee. CPA with Lynn & Theivagt, CPA, Ltd.

May, 1991. Pamela Leigh McClelland. Senior manager at Kerber, Eck & Braeckel, LLP, Springfield, Illinois.

November, 1984. Helga Jakob Towler. Partner, May, Cocagne & King, P.C., Decatur, Illinois. (Helga took most of her accountancy classes here at SSU.)

May, 1986. Susan M. Hrabak. Director of Financial Systems Operations at Illinois State University, Bloomington, Illinois.

1978. Thomas Snell. Department Chair and Associate Professor of Business and Accounting at MacMurray College in Jacksonville, Illinois.