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UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, BOTHELL RECEIVES \$10,000 GRANT TO FUND SCIENCE AND RELIGION COURSE

Berkeley, CA -- The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS), Science and Religion Course Program, have awarded University of Washington, Bothell with a \$10,000 grant to fund the development of a new course focusing on the on-going dialogue between science and religion. The grant is one of 100 awards given to colleges and universities around the world in CTNS' annual Science and Religion Course Award Competition. University of Washington, Bothell professor Dr. Genevieve E. McCoy received the award for the course entitled Religion and Science on Cosmology and Human Nature.

“As the pace and scope of scientific discovery increases, as science and technological discoveries permeate the everyday world of religious and cultural traditions, courses, which critically address the relationship between science and our religious experiences become increasingly vital,” said Dr. Ted Peters, director of the CTNS Science and

Religion Course Program. “By bringing science and religion into contact with one another at universities our goal is to foster a worldwide community of scientists and religious intellectuals actively engage in formulating and addressing questions of ultimate concern.”

In addition to University of Washington, Bothell, \$10,000 course grants have been awarded to schools from across the United States and schools in Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Czech Republic, China, Estonia, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Israel, Italy, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Singapore, Slovakia, Sweden, The Netherlands, Uganda, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom. The award is divided evenly between the course instructor and the institution. For a complete listing of this years winning schools, please visit the CTNS website at www.ctns.org.

Established in 1994, the CTNS Science and Religion Course Program (SRCP) has granted 669 awards for new courses in science and religion. It is estimated that these awards have resulted in more than 1,500 new courses offerings on campuses around the world and approximately 40,000 students have included science and religion dialogue in their academic pursuits.

“Funding can often be an obstacle to developing new college courses, these grants offer professors the ability to introduce new curriculum,” said Peter Hess, associate director of the CTNS Science and Religion Course Program. “These awards allow professors to engage questions of growing import world wide.”

The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS) is a non-profit international member organization, affiliated with the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, CA. The Center promotes the creative mutual interaction between theology and the natural sciences through research, teaching, and public service. For additional information about the CTNS Science and Religion Course Program, please visit the CTNS website at www.ctns.org.

The John Templeton Foundation was founded in 1987 by internationally renowned investment manager Sir John Templeton to encourage the pursuit of religious and scientific knowledge. For more information about the John Templeton Foundation visit its website at www.templeton.org.

The new UW Bothell campus, located near the I-405 and 522 interchange in Bothell, opened in September 2000. Graduate and undergraduate programs are offered in Business, Computing and Software Systems, Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, Nursing, and Education. For more information about the University of Washington, Bothell, please visit www.bothell.washington.edu.

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