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Touro College's School of Health Sciences Offers New Integrated Health Science Honors Program in Partnership with Lander College for Women and Lander College for Men

New York, N.Y., March 4, 2011 -- Dr. Alan Kadish, president and CEO of Touro College, today announced the addition of the new Integrated Health Science Honors Program, which is being offered in partnership with the School of Health Sciences, Lander College for Women-The Anna Ruth and Mark Hasten School, and Lander College for Men. The Integrated Health Science Honors Program will be offered for the first time beginning in the fall of 2011.

“Careers in the health sciences are stable, challenging, rewarding, and fulfilling,” said Dr. Kadish. “The new honors program will serve as a mission-inspired collaborative effort between Touro’s undergraduate and professional divisions to offer an integrated and uninterrupted educational experience to qualified applicants who wish to pursue their professional health education in an exceptional academic environment.”

He added that the program will shepherd and support its students from their undergraduate freshman classes, or post-high school year of study in Israel, through their board-qualifying degrees and licensure.

“As future health professionals, students in the Integrated Health Science Honors Program will have the opportunity to make a difference in people’s lives on a daily basis, and will significantly influence the health of their communities,” said Dr. Louis H. Primavera, dean of Touro’s School of Health Sciences and its Graduate School of Psychology.

Interested students must complete an Integrated Health Science Honors Program application, as well as the standard application to either Lander College for Women-The Anna Ruth and Mark Hasten School or Lander College for Men. Selected applicants will be accepted into one of four different program specialties: occupational therapy, physical therapy, physician assistant, and speech- language pathology.

“This program is designed for students of exceptional ability who have decided on their course of study either while they are in high school, or during the time that they are studying in Israel,” said Marian Stoltz-Loike, Ph.D., dean, Lander College for Women-The Anna Ruth and Mark

Hasten School. “To be accepted to this honors program, students must demonstrate a superior degree of academic ability and maturity in their decision to pursue one of the health science programs.”

“Students who ultimately become a part of the Integrated Health Science Honors Program will receive an education with the highest academic standards, enjoy a rigorous and exciting experience in the health sciences, and go on to become experienced health care practitioners,” said Dr. Moshe Sokol, dean of Lander College for Men.

Minimum requirements to apply to the Integrated Health Science Honors Program are: a high school average of 90 percent or better; in schools where students are ranked, the applicant must be in the top 15 percent of the high school class; SAT scores of 1250 out of 1600 or 1900 out of 2400 with a minimum of 600 in each section; 25 volunteer hours in their fields of interest (documentation required) with a three-to-five page paper reflecting on their experiences; and a recommendation by the Lander College dean.

For additional information about the Integrated Health Science Honors Program, contact Sarah Klugmann at Lander College for Women-The Anna Ruth and Mark Hasten School at 212-520-4263, email: sarah.klugmann@touro.edu; or Rabbi Barry Nathan at Lander College for Men at 718-820-4884, email: bnathan@touro.edu.

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