

MEDIA ALERT

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MONTEREY INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ANNOUNCES WINTER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY ON DECEMBER 14TH

Ninety-three students from 19 countries to receive master's degrees

MONTEREY, Calif. – December 10, 2008 – The Monterey Institute of International Studies' Winter Commencement ceremony will occur this Sunday, December 14, 2008. The procession will begin at 12:55 PM from the McGowan Building located at 411 Pacific Street to the Serra II Ballroom located within the Monterey Conference Center. The procession will be led by Professor Mike Gillen, playing the bagpipes, followed by students carrying flags representing the home countries of the graduating students, the president's party, faculty, and the graduates led by Professor Fernando De Paolis. The ceremony will include remarks from Professor Yuwei Shi, recipient of MIIS' Excellence in Teaching Award, and graduating international policy student Joyce Laker, a Fulbright Scholar from Uganda.

WHO: Monterey Institute of International Studies (MIIS)

WHAT: Winter Commencement Ceremony

WHERE: Monterey Conference Center
Serra II Ballroom
One Portola Plaza
Monterey, California 93940

WHEN: Sunday, December 14, 2008
12:55 PM – Procession from the McGowan Building at 411 Pacific Street to the Monterey Conference Center (in the event of rain, the procession will begin in the lower lobby of the Conference Center).
1:00 PM– Commencement Ceremony Begins.
A reception will follow in the Samson Student Center.

EVENT DETAILS: This event is open to the public. For more information contact Beth McDermott at MIIS at 802.999.4604 or email bmcdermo@middlebury.edu.

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About the Monterey Institute of International Studies

The Monterey Institute of International Studies, an affiliate of Middlebury College, is a private graduate institution located in Monterey, CA. It is at the forefront of international professional education, preparing students for global careers in the private, public, nonprofit, and educational sectors. The Institute also offers graduate degrees in translation and interpretation, international policy studies, international trade policy, international environmental policy, business administration, and language teaching. The Institute's approximately 800 students come from nearly 70 countries.