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To: Chairpersons of Departments of Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, and Biochemistry
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From: Professor Ruth Tanner (University of Massachusetts Lowell), Chair
Education Committee of the Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society

Subject: Applications for Norris/Richards 2008 Undergraduate Summer Research Scholarships

The Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society (NESACS) established the James Flack Norris and Theodore William Richards Undergraduate Summer Scholarships to honor the memories of Professors Norris and Richards through the promotion of research interactions between undergraduate students and faculty. Research awards of \$3,250 will be given for the Summer of 2008, which include a stipend to the student of \$2,750 for a minimum of ten weeks of full-time research work; the remaining \$500 can be spent on supplies, travel, and other items related to the student project. I am asking for your help to make sure that all those student/faculty pairs who might be interested in applying for support are informed of this program. The deadline for receipt of the completed applications (with two supporting letters) is April 4, 2008. Applicants will be notified of the results on April 23, 2008. Completed application must be submitted to the Chair of the Selection Committee:

Professor Edwin Jahngen
University of Massachusetts Lowell
Chemistry Department, Room 520
1 University Avenue, Olney Hall
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Enclosed is an announcement of the program. I ask you to distribute and post it where students and faculty will see it. I would also appreciate your help in making sure that students who might qualify for the scholarships, but who are majors in departments not covered by this mailing, have an opportunity to obtain the information.

Institutions whose student/faculty team receives a Norris/Richards Fellowship are expected to contribute toward the support of the faculty member and to waive any student fees for summer research. Academic credit may be granted to the students at the discretion of the institutions. Award winners are required to submit a report of their summer projects by November 3, 2008, for publication in *The Nucleus*, and to participate in the NESACS Northeast Student Chemistry Research Conference in April 2009.

Application forms are available on the NESACS web site at <http://www.nesacs.org>. If you, your students, or your faculty have any questions about the program or the application, call me at (978) 934-3662, or contact Professor Edwin Jahngen, Chair of the Selection Committee at (978) 934-3693.

Thank you for helping to make this program known and for promoting undergraduate research as a vital part of chemical education.