



## **Newly Established Continuing Education Scholarship Recognizes Needs of Non-Traditional Learners**

### *Destiny Solutions Inc. Announces First Annual Scholarship for Continuing Education Students*

Louisiana, New Orleans ([PRWeb](#)) March 26, 2008 -- Destiny Solutions Inc., creators of the first strategic continuing education business solution, announced at the 93rd Annual University Continuing Education Association (UCEA) conference that they will give continuing education students throughout Canada and the U.S. a chance to win a \$2,500 scholarship.

The Destiny OneCE Scholarship is available to any non-traditional learner currently enrolled in a course or a program through the continuing education division of a Canadian- or American-accredited college or university. Non-traditional students tend to be 25 years of age or older, maintain part-time enrollment and, according to The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), have at least one or more of the following characteristics: financially independent, delayed enrollment, works full-time, has dependents, single parent or no high school diploma.

"Continuing education contributes in a large way to people's lives by enabling lifelong learning, which helps people feel good about themselves and do well in society," said Shaul Kuper, CEO of Destiny Solutions. "We created this scholarship to help make continuing education more accessible and give a non-traditional student the ability to advance."

Non-traditional students make up 89 percent of undergraduates at two-year public and private colleges, 57 percent of undergraduates at four-year public colleges, and 50 percent of undergraduates at four-year private colleges, according to the University Continuing Education Association. The Destiny OneCE Scholarship is distinctive because there are few scholarships devoted specifically to non-traditional students engaged in continuing education, and not all employers offer financial assistance for professional development.

Recent data from the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) shows 54 percent of adults participate in lifelong learning through the workplace or an education system. NCES also found the median out-of-pocket expense for non-traditional students enrolled part-time in a college or university degree or certificate program was \$1,144.

Often, non-academic barriers prevent students from continuing their education. A national study found non-traditional students have lower completion rates than traditional students, and are less likely to be enrolled after five years. Through its annual scholarship, Destiny Solutions Inc. hopes to make life a little easier for a student, Kuper said.

The deadline to submit applications for the Destiny OneCE Scholarship is 5:00pm on July 31, 2008. Destiny Solutions Inc. will announce the scholarship winner in August. For application terms, visit [www.DestinySolutions.com/DestinyScholarship.pdf](http://www.DestinySolutions.com/DestinyScholarship.pdf). For more information about Destiny Solutions Inc. or the Destiny OneCE Scholarship, contact Matthew White at 1-866-403-0500 ext 200.



About Destiny Solutions Inc.

Destiny Solutions Inc. is the creator of Destiny OneCE: the First Strategic CE Business Solution. The company is focused exclusively on the continuing education industry and has created technology that liberates customers from mundane administrative tasks and enables them to focus on their strategic priorities. Destiny Solutions' clients include the Stanford Center for Professional Development, the University of California Santa Cruz Extension and the University of Toronto School of Continuing Studies. For more information please visit [www.destinysolutions.com](http://www.destinysolutions.com).

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