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## **Bryan School Students Earns Top Honors for Operations Management Papers**

**GREENSBORO** – Four students from the Joseph M. Bryan School of Business and Economics at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro swept the top three positions in the graduate division of the 2006 Donald W. Fogarty International Student Paper Competition.

The competition was sponsored by the Piedmont Triad chapter of APICS, the Association for Operations Management.

“It always gives me great satisfaction when students’ academic work is recognized by professional organizations,” said Dr. Vidyaranya Gargeya, director of the MBA program and professor of operations management at UNCG. “And it’s doubly satisfying when students are able to link their learning to management strategies with implications beyond the classroom, as evidenced by the topics addressed in their papers.”

The Fogarty Competition invites undergraduate and graduate students from the United States and abroad to submit original, relevant and timely research papers on topics related to operations management.

Winners will be honored Tuesday, Nov. 13, at the APIC Piedmont chapter Student Education Professional Development meeting.

The winners are:

- Michael Smith, a master’s degree student in accounting, won first place at the APIC Piedmont Triad level and second place at APICS region XI level for “Supply Chain Management and the Luxury Homebuilder.”
- Marty Quinton Hancock, an MBA student, earned second place at the chapter level and third place at the regional level for “World Class Manufacturing: A Review of Implementation and Change Management Strategies.”
- Enache, Enache and Lesie McNeill, MBA students, received third place at the chapter level for “Supply Chain Management at Volvo Manufacturing.”

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