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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROFESSOR NAMED AS
VISITING RESEARCH FELLOW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HERTFORDSHIRE**

Selden, NY – Dr. Michael Inglis, Associate Professor of Physics at Suffolk County Community College, has been invited to hold the honorary title of Visiting Research Fellow in the School of Physics, Astronomy and Mathematics at the University of Hertfordshire (United Kingdom), from February 1, 2013 until January 31, 2014.

While at the University of Hertfordshire as a Research Fellow, Dr. Inglis will utilize the University's extensive library facilities, attend seminars and lectures, and make considerable use of the Observatory at Bayfordbury, located in the English countryside. The observatory, regarded as the finest teaching observatory in the United Kingdom, will allow Dr. Inglis to collect data on the most distant galaxies, and determine the rate of expansion of the universe. This data will then be incorporated into laboratory experiments for use in his Astronomy 202 course: **Einstein's Universe - High Energy Astronomy**, which he developed and teaches at Suffolk County Community College.

Dr. Inglis is a professional astronomer who now teaches at Suffolk's Ammerman Campus in Selden. He is a member of the American Astronomical Society, a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society, and a member of the Royal Institution. He has worked at Warwick University, Hertfordshire University, and Princeton University, and used some of the world's largest telescopes in Australia, La Palma and Hawaii. His research interests include active galaxies, nebulae, and cosmology cosmic rays and meteors. Dr. Inglis has recently begun a world-wide survey on the faintest objects visible to the naked-eye, with the support of amateur astronomers from around the world. Actively involved in several outreach programs including the NASA Origins program, Dr. Inglis is a NASA Solar System Ambassador. He presents his work at national and international conferences and most recently was the keynote speaker for a conference in Toronto.

When asked about his extensive career, Dr. Inglis noted, "I have never been one of those people who re-do their Ph.D. thesis over and over again. Developing research in new topics keeps me abreast of the latest results in the field making life, and work, fun and interesting."

Dr. Inglis is currently involved in a collaborative project between Suffolk County Community College, Brookhaven Laboratory and Stony Brook University on novel methods of cosmic ray detection. He is an internationally renowned author having published numerous books including the celebrated *Astrophysics Is Easy*. His seventh book, *A Field Guide To Deep Sky Objects*, was

published in fall 2011. He is currently putting the finishing touches to his latest work, *An Atlas of Star Clusters*, to be published in spring 2013.



Photo Caption: Dr. Michael Inglis, Associate Professor of Physics at Suffolk County Community College, will hold the honorary title of Visiting Research Fellow in the School of Physics, Astronomy and Mathematics at the University of Hertfordshire (United Kingdom), from February 1, 2013 until January 31, 2014.

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