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## SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROFESSOR, DR. MICHAEL INGLIS, APPOINTED KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT SPRING INTO SCIENCE CONFERENCE

Selden, NY – Suffolk County Community College is pleased to announce that Associate Professor of Astronomy, Dr. Michael Inglis, has been selected to present the keynote address at the Suffolk Section of the *Spring into Science Conference*. This event is being presented by the Science Teachers Association of New York State (STANYS) and Center for Science and Mathematics Education at Stony Brook (CESAME).

The conference will be held in the Wang Centre at Stony Brook University on Saturday, March 28, 2009 from 8:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dr. Inglis' presentation, *Saturn – 400 Years of Discoveries*, will focus on the rich history of Saturn, one of the delights of the night sky, and will also delve into how much more there is to discover about this ringed planet with 60 satellites. Using the latest images, animations and results from many NASA and ESA missions, Dr. Inglis' presentation is sure to spur a lively discussion about this amazing planet.

The conference will also feature workshops, demonstrations and a multidiscipline "Share/Take-A-Thon", where educators at the upper elementary, intermediate, and high school level discuss their successful teaching experiences and discover new ways to promote and teach science to students.

STANYS, New York's oldest and most respected professional organization of science educators with a membership of primary, secondary, and tertiary educators, seeks to create a collaborative association that promotes excellence in science education throughout New York State. CESAME educates first-rate teachers who continue to return to Stony Brook University to upgrade their skills, contribute knowledge, and provide educational and research opportunities for students. For further conference details please visit www.stanys.org/ or www.stonybrook.edu/cesame.



Photo Caption: Dr. Michael Inglis, Associate Professor of Astronomy at Suffolk County Community College, will be the Keynote Speaker at the Suffolk Section of the *Spring into Science Conference* presented by the Science Teachers Association of New York State (STANYS) and Center for Science and Mathematics Education at Stony Brook (CESAME).

## **About Suffolk County Community College**

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling more than 23,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering the lowest college tuition on Long Island, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us on the web at www.sunysuffolk.edu.

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