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ST. CLOUD STATE COLLEGE

St. Cloud, Minnesota

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ST. CLOUD, Minn., Aug.-- Construction will begin next month on a \$1,026,782 classroom building for the School of Business at St. Cloud State College. Both state and federal funds will finance the project.

The three-story brick structure will be located southeast of Stewart Hall overlooking the Mississippi River. Four departments will be housed in the building -- accounting, management and finance, marketing and general business and business education and office administration.

Scheduled for completion within a year, the building will include 21 classrooms, four seminar rooms and 33 offices. The largest classroom will have a seating capacity of 100. Overall dimensions are 78 feet by 166 feet.

The building will include provisions for educational television transmittal and reception and dial information access to the campus library, computer center and secretarial service. Other features are a climate control system, entrance ramp and elevator for handicapped students and flexible construction so that interior walls can be moved economically to change room sizes.

A riverside patio will be constructed on the east side of the building and a courtyard is planned on the west side. The lower level of the building will be connected to Stewart Hall by an underground walkway. The building design also will allow an addition when needed.

"Facilities will be comparable with those in any modern office building," commented Howard Walton, director of campus planning.

A general construction contract of \$719,000 has been awarded to Gunnar I. Johnson and Son of Minneapolis by the State Department of Administration. Sub-

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and heating, \$130,740; Sporleders, ventilating, \$77,390, and M-J-B, Inc., electrical wiring, \$99,652.

Architects are Traynor and Hermanson of St. Cloud. Consulting engineers are Orr, Schelen, Mayeron and Associates, Inc., Minneapolis. Johnson and Sahlman of Minneapolis are the structural engineers.

Two other buildings are nearing completion at the college, where enrollment is expected to reach 8,000 this fall. They are Benton Hall, a 200-bed apartment-type student residence, and a performing arts building for music, speech, theatre and radio-television facilities.

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~~ST. CLOUD, Minn., Aug. -- Accreditation of St. Cloud State College as a master's degree-granting institution has been renewed by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.~~

~~The decision was announced recently in Chicago by the NCA's Commission on Colleges and Universities. A four-member accreditation review team visited the campus for three days in May.~~

~~Two volumes of information about the college were compiled for the team by Dr. Jack Jones, Gray Campus School director, and Dr. Marvin Holmgren, vice president for academic affairs.~~

~~The NCA usually conducts accreditation visits every ten years.~~

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