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Post-Secondary Russian Scholar Laureate Award

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Dear Post-Secondary Russian Scholar Laureate:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the American Council of Teachers of Russian please accept our sincerest congratulations on your selection as a 2009 Russian Scholar Laureate.

Your nomination for this national honor testifies to the high esteem in which your program holds you. Programs were assigned the difficult task of nominating one person who embodies the best qualities of a post-secondary Russian student: an unflinching devotion to and love for all things Russian, a passion for the language, literature, and culture, a commitment to excellence, and an enthusiasm for knowledge and cultural literacy. Clearly, as the wonderful nomination letter attests, you are that student. I cannot stress enough the praise and admiration your faculty has for you. Indeed, it is gratifying to know that students of your high caliber are studying Russian—as a major, a minor, a double major, or a concentration. The field of Russian Studies is better and richer thanks to engaged students like you.

Please accept my personal congratulations on a job well done! I know your instructors and I share deep pride and satisfaction in your accomplishments, and we wish you continued success in your endeavors. May your love of Russian continue to grow!

Sincerely yours,

Professor Cynthia A. Ruder
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