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**University of St. Thomas Student Chosen
as Honors Fellow by the Intercollegiate Studies Institute**

HOUSTON (Sept. 7)—University of St. Thomas English and philosophy major Rob MacArthur was recently selected as an Honors Fellow by the Intercollegiate Studies Institute. Each year, the ISI, a national educational organization headquartered in Wilmington, Del., selects 50 of the nation's most talented undergraduates to be Honors Fellows, who participate in a yearlong program of educational enrichment.

MacArthur recently attended a weeklong, all-expenses-paid, ISI summer conference in Big Sky, Mont., titled "Individual and Community in the Settling of America." At the conference he explored the values and ideas that animate the Western tradition in general, and America's founding in particular. Students had the opportunity to engage in debate and discussion led by faculty mentors from numerous colleges and universities, who teach in the humanities and social sciences.

Throughout the next academic year, MacArthur will receive continuing direction from his faculty mentors through participation in small seminars and online discussions about both permanent questions and contemporary concerns. The ISI faculty mentors and staff will provide one-on-one professional assistance to the each of the Honors Fellows, including information about internships, job opportunities, graduate and professional programs and related concerns. MacArthur will also attend an ISI Career Development Seminar, designed to help prepare him for future positions of leadership, and he will receive a large collection of free books and journals.

Rob MacArthur is the son of UST's Dr. Kerry MacArthur, associate professor and chair of English.

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