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**Accounting Students Prepare for IMA's 10th Annual Student Leadership Conference
Coming to St. Louis, November 5-7**

Montvale, N.J., October 1, 2009 – College students from around the country will join educators and veteran practitioners for three days of learning and networking at the Institute of Management Accountants (IMA®) 10th Annual Student Leadership Conference. This year's event will be held at the St. Louis Union Station Marriott in St. Louis, Mo. from November 5-7. Online registration is now available at <http://www.imastudentconference.org/>.

Students of accounting, finance and various business majors will attend sessions covering management accounting career opportunities, ethics, forensic accounting, XBRL, Certified Management Accountant (CMA®) certification, leadership, professional development and more.

This year's speakers include: Michael W. Kramer, president and CEO of Kellwood Company; Kim Wallin, controller for the State of Nevada, Dr. Peter Brewer, professor of accounting, Miami University of Ohio; and John O'Leary, president and owner of Rising Above.

"IMA's Student Leadership Conference provides tomorrow's business leaders with the knowledge and skills necessary for a successful career in the constantly evolving accounting profession," said Jodi Ryan, IMA director of student and academic relations. "At the same time, attendees are given potentially career-launching opportunities to network with respected members of the profession and their peers."

A pre-conference industry visit is planned on Thursday afternoon in which participants will have a chance to meet with the accounting and finance department staff of the St. Louis Blues hockey team. Attendees will also enjoy an opening night reception and a riverboat dinner cruise along the Mississippi River.

Online registration is open now through Friday, October 16 (or until registration capacity is met). The St. Louis Union Station Marriott offers rooms at a special rate for registrants. For more information or to register online, please visit <http://www.imastudentconference.org/>.

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