

Johnson Controls, Inc. - Drexel University Launch Online Educational Partnership

Philadelphia, PA (PRWEB) December 19, 2006 - [Drexel University Online](#), winner of the 2006 21st Century Best Practice Award for Distance Learning from the U.S. Distance Learning Association, announced an educational partnership with Johnson Controls, a global leader in automotive technology, building efficiency and power solutions.

Through this alliance, Johnson Controls employees will have the opportunity to complete an online degree or certificate program through Drexel and receive special tuition rates. Employees will be able to choose from a range of bachelor's, master's, and certificate programs that Drexel offers online in areas such as nursing and health professions, clinical research, public health, information science, business, computer science, communications, and computing technology.

Ranked among the Best National Universities in "America's Best Colleges" by *U.S. News & World Report* for 2007, Drexel is accredited by the Middle States Association for Colleges and Secondary Schools. Additionally, its curricula hold the highest accreditations from their respective accrediting bodies such as AACSB (Business), NLN and CCNE (Nursing), and ALA (Information Science). Drexel's online programs are specifically designed to provide adult learners with the convenience they need to advance their skills on their own schedule.

[Drexel University Online](#) has been expanding its partner network for the past four years. Through a partnership with Drexel, participating corporations, health systems, and professional associations across the U.S. can offer their employees and members special tuition rates and career development opportunities, as well as the chance to earn a degree – all with the flexibility working professionals need.

"Today's corporations realize a well-educated workforce is a competitive advantage," said Dr. Kenneth Hartman, academic director of [Drexel University Online](#).

"Organizations such as Johnson Controls choose Drexel as their preferred online education provider because our programs reflect the same high standards as those on-campus, but with the online convenience busy professionals need. We're very excited about our new venture with Johnson Controls and look forward to helping them meet the educational needs of their employees."

About Johnson Controls:

Founded in 1885, Johnson Controls has grown into a multi-billion dollar corporation, with worldwide leadership in automotive experience, building efficiency and power solutions. Johnson Controls provides innovative automotive interiors that help make driving more comfortable, safe and enjoyable. For buildings, they offer products and services that optimize energy use and improve comfort and security. Johnson Controls also provides batteries for automobiles and hybrid electric vehicles, along

with systems engineering and service expertise. They currently have approximately 136,000 employees worldwide, with 2,500 located in their headquarters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

About Drexel University Online:

[Drexel University Online](#) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Drexel University, specializing in innovative, Internet-based distance education programs for working professionals and corporations in the U.S. and abroad. A pioneer in online education, Drexel has offered programs online since 1996.

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