



### **Drexel University Partners with One of the Largest Health Insurers in the US**

**Philadelphia, PA – November 9, 2005** - Drexel University's online subsidiary [Drexel e-Learning](#) announced recently that it has formed an [educational partnership](#) with Highmark, one of the largest health insurers in the United States.

Through this collaboration, Drexel will provide Highmark employees with the opportunity to complete their degree online at a special tuition rate. Highmark employees can choose from a range of [bachelor's, master's, and certificate programs that Drexel offers online](#) in areas such as business, engineering, education, nursing, information science, public health, and clinical research.

Drexel, which is ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as "One of America's Best Colleges" for 2006, is accredited by the Middle States Association for Colleges and Secondary Schools and its curricula hold some of the most prestigious accreditations from their respective accrediting bodies such as AACSB (Business), NLN and CCNE (Nursing), ABET(Engineering), and ALA (Information Science).

[Drexel e-Learning](#) has been continually expanding its [partner network](#) for over three years. Through a partnership with Drexel, participating corporations, health systems, and associations across the United States are able to offer their employees and members such benefits as special tuition rates and career development opportunities, as well as the chance to earn a reputable degree all with the flexibility working professionals need.

"Our corporate partners enjoy this partnership because we provide them with the tools they need to invest in their most valuable asset, their employees," said Dr. Kenneth Hartman, Academic Director of Drexel e-Learning. "Organizations pursue Drexel e-Learning as an academic partner because they know that their employees will receive the same quality education as they would on-campus but through a convenient online format that involves no career interruption. Drexel is looking forward to developing a long-lasting relationship with Highmark and working with them to not only meet, but to exceed their expectations," added Hartman.

For more information on forming an educational partnership with Drexel University please visit [www.drexel-partners.com](http://www.drexel-partners.com), email [corporate@drexelelearning.com](mailto:corporate@drexelelearning.com), or call (877) 215-0009.

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