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## **Ferris to hold Winter Commencement ceremonies Dec. 17**

BIG RAPIDS – Approximately 450 students will participate in Winter Commencement ceremonies at Ferris State University on Saturday, Dec. 17, in Wink Arena.

Ceremonies will be held at 10 a.m. for the colleges of Allied Health Sciences, Education and Human Services, and Technology and 1:30 p.m. for the colleges of Arts and Sciences, and Business. The College of Pharmacy and the Michigan College of Optometry hold commencement exercises in May.

Robert N. McCullough, associate professor of Mathematics, will serve as commencement speaker during both the morning and afternoon ceremonies. McCullough's special interest lies in the mathematics needed for space exploration, and as a regional resource person for the National Air and Space Museum, he has given more than 130 presentations on space exploration.

He has also written and presented several papers on the mathematics used by the Wright Brothers to prove that flight was possible, and was chosen last spring as one of the University's Distinguished Teachers for 2004-05 in recognition of his teaching excellence, professional development activities and support of students both inside and outside the classroom.

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