

## DELGADO ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM WINS NATIONAL STUDENT CHAPTER AWARD

At the 2009 National Association of Home Builders/International Builders Show in Las Vegas, Nevada, Delgado's Architectural/Design Construction Technology students were honored with the First Place National Award for Outstanding Student Chapter Program of the Year.

The team's winning entry, a 206-page portfolio detailing the chapter's 2008 academic year activities, was judged on community activities, campus activities, chapter activities and fundraising activities.

Delgado has consistently placed in the top three in past year's national student chapter awards (third in 2004 and 2006, second in 2007), but 2009 marked the first ever first place award.

More than 55 universities and colleges and 1,000 students attended the NAHB/IBS, the largest residential design and construction convention in the world.

The Delgado Architecture students and P. Victor Mirzai, faculty advisor/coach/program director, were presented with a first place plaque and check for \$2,500 at an awards ceremony at Caesar's Palace on Jan. 20.

In addition, five students – M. Martin, S. Brazile, B Raymond, P. Tran and R. Dey – received a \$1,750 scholarship from the Home Builders Institute/National Housing Endowment to attend the show's educational events and participate in a Residential Construction Management Project oral presentation to the National Construction Jury panel of experts.

The Home Builders Association of Greater New Orleans also matched \$1,000 to support the students' presentation and participation in the awards ceremony.



Delgado's Architecture/Design Construction Technology program will have a booth manned by students on display at the 2009 New Orleans Home and Garden Show in the Louisiana Superdome March 26-29. Delgado Architecture students will also be honored for their 2009 First Place National Award as Outstanding Student Chapter during the Home Builders Association membership meeting at the show the evening of March 25.