## Chartwells Associate Debby Chou, from the University of Arkansas, Awarded NACUFS Student **Employee of the Year**

The University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AK (June 1, 2009) – The National Association of College and University Food Services (NACUFS) has selected Debby Chou as the national winner for Student Employee of the Year. Chou, an associate of Chartwells Campus Dining Services, was nominated by Jack Lim, Director of the Arkansas Union Food Court & Catering. He had this to say about her:

"Just weeks after hiring Debby, we felt as if we had actually added five people to our staff. She began her work with translating daily sales figures into franchise reports, menu engineering, and assessing purchase reports against invoices. She streamlined every report she touched. Because of her extreme focus and analytical mind, she has saved an incredible number of work hours, allowing managers more time to interact with customers and fine-tune kitchen processes.

Once her new reports were in place, Debby began looking beyond the office door for more ways she could help. She started with inventories and moved on to organizing supplies and even cleaning preparation areas. She continues to go above and beyond every day.

Debby is a student of Biological Engineering. She artfully balances work, study and home responsibilities while maintaining an admirable Grade Point Average.

About NACUFS and the Student Employee of the Year Competition
NACUFS, a food service organization for strategic leadership and development of the higher education market place, awards this prize to an outstanding student employee of a member institution. From among the six regional winners, the national winner is selected by a panel headed by the national past president. Regional winners receive a \$500 scholarship; the national winner receives a \$3,000 scholarship, presented at the July national conference. Evaluation criteria is: a) reliability; b) quality of work; c) initiative; d) disposition; e) contribution.

## About Chartwells Higher Education Dining Services

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