

## Elsa Marty '07 named Minnesota Campus Compact Student Fellow



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St. Olaf Elsa Marty has been selected as one of 11 Minnesota Campus Compact Student Fellows for the 2006–07 academic year. In September she will be one of only 11 students who will participate in the Student Civic Leadership Institute (SCLI), an intensive retreat that provides students with the time and tools for critical inner reflection on their ideas of leadership, citizenship and coalition building.

SCLI helps each participant create and implement a plan of action for the upcoming academic year. Marty says she looks forward to exchanging ideas and strategies with other college students working on political, environment, and social–justice related issues. "Next year at St. Olaf I'll be living in the honor house called Friends and Resources Meeting the Environment," says the religion major. "I hope to use the skills and resources that I gain from my participation in SCLI to involve students and the local community in issues related to sustainable agriculture and personal sustainability."

Marty is active in the St. Olaf student congregation, where she co–chairs the Stewardship Committee. She also is a leader in a new group called Movement for Inter–Religious Action and is active in the Environmental Coalition and Progressive Christian Fellowship. Last year Marty traveled the world with St. Olaf's Global Semester.

The Upper Midwest Campus Compact Consortium Civic Leadership Fellows Program and SCLI support and promote students as powerful citizen leaders. SCLI is an intensive retreat that provides students with time and tools to do critical inner reflection on their ideas of leadership, citizenship and coalition building.

Minnesota Campus Compact is affiliated with Campus Compact, a national network of more than 950 campuses, 31 state Compacts, and a national office -- all committed to the civic purposes of higher education. Minnesota Campus Compact is the only higher education coalition in Minnesota that includes a critical mass of public and private, two–year and four–year, and urban, suburban and rural campuses throughout the state. All 16 members of the Minnesota Private College Council participate in the program.