



# Beyond Your Expectations

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## Hello!

This year has been extremely busy as we are in the process of planning a new curriculum for SIAST and the U of R. We accepted students from St. Louis, Missouri for one month. This e-newsletter will provide a brief insight into some of the things we did. Several faculty also presented on the North American Higher Mobility Project at WRCASN. As well, our students and teacher are currently in Houston, Texas enjoying the heat. We look forward to their stories and pictures when they return.

## St. Louis students in Saskatchewan

We had the privilege of accepting three students and their teacher from St. Louis, Missouri. Dana, Laura, Ursula, and their teacher Gwen soon settled into the life and pace of Saskatoon. Our days were jam packed, with many of the days beginning at 0600 and ending at 2100 hours. Their clinical experiences ranged from acute care to the Regional Psych Centre to rural health care, to everything in between. Everywhere we went people were eager to assist and provide unique learning opportunities. The students took great interest in everything we saw and did, whether it was our clinical areas, the beautiful snow, or the pleasant and helpful faculty and staff. They were excited to learn about our health care system, our wide variety of foods and about our culture in general. Even a huge blizzard did not slow us down! They came to love our many definitions of cold – tepid, brisk, a bit nippy, etc.



*Gwen, Ursula, Laura and Dana*

Our American visitors were impressed with our second year students' assessment skills. At the community college they attend, their assessment class is not as in depth as ours. The American students gave a wonderful presentation to our counterparts in Wascana. They went to Table Mountain, tried downhill skiing, went cross country skiing as well as ice skating. A highlight of the exchange was the Pow Wow we attended and making dream catchers. This exchange was a wonderful experience, not only for the students and faculty from St. Louis, but for all of us here as well.



You must be the change you wish  
to see in the world.

– Mahatma Ghandi



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## Houston, we have lift off!!!

Our exchange team is now in Houston, Texas. Students Malinda, Melissa, Sheena, Brianna and faculty member Carrie are taking in all Houston has to offer. Their month has flown by. We have received emails and are enjoying the blog. We can hardly wait for their return to hear about all the wonderful adventures. Presentation times are scheduled during orientation week in the fall.



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## In Closing

As this academic year comes to a close, we reflect on our past year and look forward developments for next year. 2010-2011 will be a year of change. Our budget manager Sharon has managed to secure funding for another exchange. We are hopeful a partnership will continue with our Mexican colleagues. Reny will continue her international committee work at the annual meeting next fall. We have sent out applications to students for an exchange in Colima, Mexico in May or June of 2011.

Have a restful summer – see you in the fall.