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Report Template

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Proposal title: Developing internships, research and learning experiences for CFD students in New Delhi India

Country/ies visited: India

Institution visited: Delhi University North and South campuses

Dates of travel: January 18, 2012-January 30, 2012

Number of student participants: N/A

Previous IP proposals submitted and grants awarded
(list titles, countries and dates): Hungary and Italy “best practices of care for Infants/toddlers” March 24, 2009 –April 5, 2009

Have all required reports been submitted? yes

Other funding for this activity available/applied for: No

Proposal Abstract (75 word maximum): Establishing exchange agreement between CFD and various departments in Delhi University who share the mission and focus of Child and Family
Development Department at SDSU. To create international study abroad opportunities for CFD students in New Delhi India. CFD students who select international experience, in order to meet the new graduation requirements, will be able to travel to Delhi University and study, participate in research and/or have an internship experience specific to working with children and families.

Travel report:

I. Opening/overview of intentions/activity
   Establish Internship opportunities:

   1. Visit two (2) SOS orphanages
   2. Family Empowerment programs
   3. Deepalaya school project
   4. Deepalaya family empowerment and adult enrichment programs

Establish exchange opportunities for students (courses)
   1. Visit the University of Delhi North Campus and meet with 3 different departments:
      a. Meeting with Department of Psychology faculty members, chair and students
      b. Meeting with undergraduate college DAULAT RAM College of Psychology faculty and chair
      c. Meeting with Miranda House department for Elementary Education faculty and chair
   2. Visit the South Campus of Delhi University
      a. Meeting with Dean of the Lady Irwin College
      b. Meeting with chair and faculty members of Human Development and Childhood Studies department
      c. Visit of the campus Children’s center

Establish exchange opportunities for students (research)
   a. Meet with Dr. Nandita Babu and discuss opportunities to work together and develop research agenda to include students and faculty
   b. Meet with graduate students in the department of psychology in Delhi University who are engaged and involved in research as part of their theses or doctorate research projects

II. In preparation for the trip abroad
   - Collaborated with Dr. Nandita Babu who has been a Fulbright scholar in the CFD department during fall semester 2010.
   - e-mail contacts:
     - Dr Nandita Babu nandita.babu@gmail.com
     Professor
     Dept. of Psychology
     University of Delhi
     9818163536
- Researched university statistics and compared to SDSU (e.g., number of students enrolled)
  http://www.du.ac.in/index.php?id=4

- Confirmed that prospective university is “recognized” by the Ministry of Education
  As stated on the website: “The University of Delhi, which began life in 1922 with three colleges and 750 students, has become one of India’s largest institutions of higher learning, and among the largest in the world. Presently, the University is made up of 16 faculties, 86 departments, 77 colleges and a few other recognized institutes with around 150,000 regular students and more than 250,000 students in the distance learning stream. While various faculties, departments and colleges are spread across the entire city, a computer network links them so that students and faculty can collaborate and draw upon the available resources of the University in an institutional way.”

III. Upon arrival/specific activity
- What/who are the contacts made at the prospective partner university?
  I met with faculty members and chairs from 4 different colleges; 3 reside at the North campus and one in the South campus.
  I also met with the Dean of international Studies.

- What particular major/minor is of interest?
  Three majors are of interest to Child and Family Development: Psychology, Human Development and childhood studies and education

IV. Conclusion, recommendation, and next step?
- Why is this particular institution valuable for SDSU?
- Sustainability of project (is there a high likelihood that students in the department will be interested in studying the proposed subject area at the prospective partner university and vice versa)?
- How will this exchange program (or expansion) increase participation by students in international activities, or enhance international learning environments for students?
- What students will benefit?
- What will be their activities (e.g., course work, international internships, field research, etc.)?
- What will be your role in promoting and supporting these activities?

Students and faculty from both institutions will have the opportunity to work and collaborate in research, teaching, internship and unit bearing courses. CFD students will have the opportunity to experience study abroad taking course or being involved with community organization via internships or research opportunities.