

OISSE EXPANDS OUTREACH

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Above: PT & OT students share about their professions to OPS students.

In February 2006, OISSE held a Faculty Introductory Meeting for faculty members identified across the SPAHP & the School of Nursing with an interest in interprofessional community engagement activities. After an introduction to OISSE, faculty members in attendance were invited to join OISSE as either an OISSE Faculty Associate or OISSE Faculty Affiliate.

OISSE Faculty Associates demonstrate a high interest in community engagement activities & are currently or have previously been engaged in such activities. OISSE Faculty Affiliates have an interest in collaboration & in community-based work.

The meeting not only acted as an introduction but included lively discussion. Through the discussion, topical workgroups were identified following the major themes of **Professional Formation & Community**

Community Engagement. OISSE Faculty Members will collaborate in interprofessional workgroups to address specific themes under Professional Formation including Ignatian-based values, interprofessional education, & cultural competence. The Community Engagement workgroups include health promotion, primary care roles, geriatrics, health literacy & community outreach programs for local, rural & international partners.

Following this model, OISSE Faculty Members will collaborate to increase fluidity & opportunities for interprofessional community-based student experiences. The workgroups will also seek both scholarly activities & funding opportunities aligned with the SPAHP strategic plan. For a complete update on OISSE Faculty members activities, visit: <http://oisse.creighton.edu/OISSEFaculty.asp>

OISSE Faculty List:
Teresa Cochran—Co-Director
Caroline Goulet—Co-Director
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Marlene Wilken (Nursing)
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Julie Ekstrum (PT)
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Judy Gale (PT)
Heather Goertz (OT)
Helene Goldstein-Lohman (OT)
Ken Keefner (Pharmacy)
Jo Kostka (Nursing)
Tom Lenz (Pharmacy)
Keli Mu (OT)
Kirk Peck (PT)
Victoria Roche (SPAHP)
Jennifer Tilleman (Pharmacy)
Alicia Vanden Bosch (Pharmacy)

CHINESE PHYSICIANS LEARN THE ART OF OT & PT

As part of the International Outreach of OISSE & SPAHP, 2 Chinese physicians from the Central Hospital of China National Petroleum located in the Hebei Province of China are being hosted for a 3-month visit to Creighton University.

The physicians, Anmei (Kathleen) Hu, Deputy Director & Deputy Chief Physician & Xiaobin (Angel) Tang are here from March 4th to May 31st to learn about rehabili-

tation including occupational & physical therapy. Currently, the Chinese hospital where they are employed provides limited rehabilitative services & in China there is currently no distinction between OT & PT.

Dr. Keli Mu, OTR/L is coordinating the visit & has been working for a couple of years to make this experience possible, after two of the Hospital's

directors visited Creighton about 2 years ago. During their stay, the physicians are spending time with the Occupational Therapy Department at CUMC; the Creighton University OT Department; with Dr. Sophia Chao, PT at the Winnebago Public Service Hospital in Winnebago, Nebraska; & at Quality Living here in Omaha.

OITLR has provided the visitors with laptops for

computer access & research purposes. Overall, the physicians have an interest in rehabilitation of patients who have experienced disability due to a CVA or cardiopulmonary disease. They hope to apply the skills learned during their visit in their home hospital.

Dr. Mu, originally from China, is working to further develop collaborative ties between the

Chinese Hospital & Creighton University's SPAHP to promote cross cultural learning experiences related to health care.

Below: Drs. Hu & Tang in front of the Winnebago Hospital.

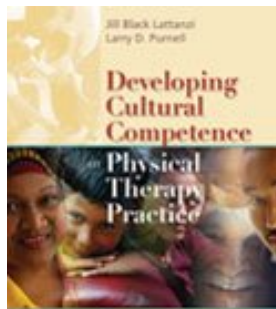


Scholarship Update

In December 2005, a chapter authored by Drs. Teresa Cochran & Patrick Cross entitled Cultural Considerations for American Indian Cultures was published in *Developing Cultural Competence in Physical Therapy Practice* by FA Davis.

Dr. Ivelisse Lazzarini, OTR/L was recognized in the November issue of the *Stanford Neuroethics Newsletter* for her chapter entitled *Neuroethics: The New Millennium View in Educating for Moral Action: A Sourcebook in Health & Rehabilitation Ethics* published by FA Davis.

OISSE Faculty also participated in 12 scholarly presentations at both national & international conferences in 2005. For a complete scholarship list visit, <http://oisse.creighton.edu/scholarship.asp>



A NEW VIEW OF MEDICINE: MED STUDENTS SITE VISIT

On February 28 & March 1, 2006, 8 second year Creighton University Medical Center medical students participated in a half-day site visit to the Omaha & Winnebago Nations.

The medical students performed the site visit as part of the Social Marginalization Module taught by Dr. Robert Coleman, Creighton Department of Psychiatry.

Left: Medical students Pete Graham & Jason Beste listen as Dr. Sophia Chao, PT describes her daily practice at Winnebago Hospital.

During the site visit, the medical students visited with both practitioners & community members learning about the health issues & the impact of socioeconomic issues on health. The students also visited with Drs. Patrick Cross, PT & Sophia Chao, PT to learn about the importance of rehabilitation services in the two underserved communities.

The students were assigned to present to their fellow medical students about the communities describing the health care delivery system, the socioeconomic impact on health & reflect on the meaning of the experience.

STUDENT TRAINING

OISSE offers multiple opportunities for students to immerse themselves in the Native American Culture through Native American Immersions (3-days), Long Term Clinicals/Residency (3-12 weeks), & Classroom Projects.

Short Term Training

15 students from nursing, pharmacy, occupational & physical therapy participated in the short term Native American Immersions during Spring 2006. During these 3-day experiences students participate in a variety of activities on both the Omaha & Winnebago Indian Reservations including clinical observation, interprofessional case studies, interaction with Tribal Members & touring the facilities. On the third day, the students participate in an interprofessional service project.

In partnership with the Omaha Tribe Diabetes Program, 9

Creighton students played Diabetes Bingo with 35 Omaha Nation youth at the Valentine Parker Jr. Youth Prevention Center. Ten students also participated in the Health Professions portion of the 10th Annual Native American Retreat. This includes educating Native American high school students about the different health professions across the health sciences.

Long Term Training

During Fall 2005, 2 Doctorate of Physical Therapy Students, Eric Chipman & Chrissy Rasmussen, completed 12-week clinical rotations under the supervision of Dr. Patrick Cross, PT at the Four Hills of Life Wellness Center in Macy, Nebraska.

Rosette Stabler, OTD student, completed a Level I Fieldwork under Reva Fredericksen, OTR/L

L at the Four Hills of Life Wellness Center in Macy, Nebraska.

Classroom Projects

19 physical therapy students participated in service opportunities in the Native American communities including care plans at the Carl T. Curtis Health Education Center & exercises classes at the Winnebago Hospital.

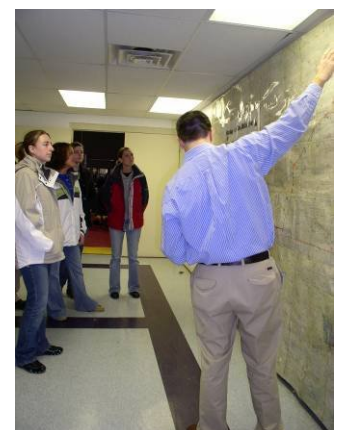
Rochelle Gainer, Sam Kim & Mikala Sjolín, OTD students, collaborated with Diabetes Educator Deb Parker, MS, to design & implement a survey for the communities of Macy and Walthill to assess interest in community health activities. In the 2 communities, 600 surveys were distributed. The students are completing this project as part of a research requirement in the OTD curriculum under the direction of Dr. Keli Mu.

Student training activities are supported by HRSA Grant #1D36HP03158 Quentin N. Burdick Project.



Above: Pharmacy student Kate Gsell helps an Omaha Nation youth during Diabetes Bingo.

Below: Dr. Patrick Cross, PT talks to an interprofessional group of students at the Four Hills of Life Wellness Center about the Last Buffalo Hunt.





Above: Pharmacy student Andy Raduechel talks about pharmacy practice to the OPS students.



Above: DPT student Jill Kuebler shows an OPS student how to use a therapy ball.

OPS STUDENTS GET EDUCATED

In partnership with Health Sciences–Multicultural & Community Affairs, OISSE sponsored the pharmacy & OT/PT educational seminars for the Health Professions Class for the Omaha Public Schools.

On February 23, 6 Doctorate of Pharmacy students under the guidance of Dr. Kenneth Keefner, RPh presented about pharmacy practice. The students performed a skit, a panel discussion on a variety of pharmacy topics & met with the students in small groups.

On March 15, 4 Doctorate of

Physical Therapy & 3 Doctorate of Occupational Therapy students presented on the rehabilitation professions under the guidance of Dr. Joy Voltz, OTR/L. The students demonstrated the use of adaptive equipment & exercises typically used as a part of therapy services. The students also shared their own personal reasons for pursuing a degree in PT or OT.

The event was held at the OPS Career Center as part of a program that trains high school juniors & seniors to become Certified

Nurse’s Assistants (CNA) after graduation.

The Health Careers instructor, Stacia Weaver, hopes the students can transition from a CNA to a professional career in health care. The educational seminars offer the OPS students an opportunity to hear about other career choices in health care & Creighton University. The OPS students also learn about the other health care team members they will work with as a CNA.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: ERIC CHIPMAN

DPT student, Eric Chipman, completed a 3-month clinical experience at the Four Hills of Life Wellness Center under the direction of Dr. Patrick Cross, PT during the Fall 2005. Eric shares about this experience: “From this experience, I learned that the traditional health care system does not always ‘fit in’ given the socioeconomic characteristics of different communities. In some ways traditional health care will fail if you do not take into account the uniqueness of the community you serve, & adapt to the needs that they express...& not the needs YOU think they may require. On a personal level, I was amazed at the sense of community & the amount of unselfishness/giving that this community possessed compared to any other community I have visited while on my rotations. This clinical site gave me so much to self reflect on as far as what it is I value in my life & the importance therein as far as relationships, life goals, & material possessions. I

really feel that anyone going into health care should have to step outside the box & be immersed in a community such as Macy. I think this clinical experience will be the one that will stick out in my memory above all other clinical experiences I have/or will have had. It affected me on so many different levels: personally, professionally, & educationally.”



Above: Eric with Alcohol Counselor Donald Grant & DPT student Chrissy Rasmussen.

Below: Chrissy & Eric at Omaha Nation School Career Fair.



HEALTH EQUIPMENT DONATED

In February, the Presbyterian Outreach Health Equipment Loan Program (HELP) donated around 300 pieces of new & used health equipment to the SPAHP. The equipment included a variety of back & leg braces along with prosthetics. Some of the pieces are being sent to the Dominican Republic & others donated to the Omaha & Winnebago reservations. The equipment will also be used for courses & student instruction across the SPAHP. For more on Presbyterian Outreach HELP visit

www.presbyterianoutreach.com.

TRIBAL YOUTH ENJOY CU BASKETBALL

In January 2006, 80 youth from the Omaha Nation attended the Creighton Men’s Basketball Game versus Bradley. Along with the cheers, came a 80-76 victory for the Blue Jays.

The Omaha Nation youth attend either the Omaha Nation School or the Walthill School, both on the Omaha Reservation. An interprofessional group of students from the Native American Special Interest Group acted as chaperones for the Omaha Nation Youth.

After the game, the group went to Sam & Louie’s pizza before heading back in 2 school buses to the Omaha Reservation.

The activity was planned through a partnership with OISSE & the Omaha Tribe Diabetes Program.

A special thanks to Angie Oxley in the Creighton University Athletics Department for the basketball tickets.



Above: OTD students Sam Kim & Rochelle Gainer enjoy pizza after being chaperones at the game.

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NATIVE AMERICAN SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

The Native American Special Interest Group is an interprofessional group of students, faculty & staff interested in education & outreach in Native American communities. Thus far, the group has participated in a variety of activities. On Friday November 11, 2005, 19 students & faculty across SPAHP sponsored a Field Day at the Valentine Parker Jr. Prevention Center on the Omaha Reservation. Approximately 30 Tribal youth participated in relays, basketball, soccer & enjoyed healthy snacks. This was the kickoff event for the group. In January, 8 students & 2 faculty acted as chaperones

for 80 Tribal youth from Omaha Nation for the men's Creighton basketball game followed by a visit to Sam & Louie's Pizza for dinner.

On January 21, 2006, 21 students & staff attended the American Indian Dance Theater at the Orpheum Theater. This was the first cultural activity in which the group participated. On Friday March 3rd, 2 OT students joined 2 PT students in interprofessional care planning at the Carl T. Curtis Nursing Home in Macy, NE.

To find out more about the group, visit: <http://oisse.creighton.edu/local/NAGroup.asp>.

Check out our website!

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Above: OTD Student Cindi Kumpf participates in jump roping with an Omaha Nation youth taking a break from Diabetes Bingo.

Below: DPT student Amanda Klipsch serves healthy snacks at Field Day.



Above: DPT student Jane Renner assists Omaha Nation youth in coloring activities.

Below: Omaha Nation youth enjoy pizza after the Creighton game at Sam and Louie's Pizza.



The mission of the **Office of Interprofessional Scholarship, Service & Education (OISSE)** is to support, plan, organize & implement the SPAHP's interprofessional education & scholarship initiatives related to community engagement.

The Office coordinates interprofessional community engagement activities. For more information, contact Dr. Joy Voltz, OTR/L at joyvoltz@creighton.edu.



Above: Ann Ryan-Haddad, Gail Jensen, Joy Voltz & Teresa Cochran at Jesuit Luncheon in March 2006.

In March 2006, Joy Voltz, OISSE Coordinator was awarded Creighton University 2006 **Rookie of the Year**. The Rookie of the Year is an individual who works at Creighton for less than 2 years & embodies the Creighton University Credo.

COMMUNITY & CLINIC UPDATE:

- The Four Hills of Life Wellness Center, under the direction of Dr. Patrick Cross, PT, received funding from the Native American Public Health Act for 2006.
- Approximately 300 Omaha Nation community members are utilizing the Four Hills of Life Wellness Center monthly.
- Joy D. Voltz, OTD, OTR/L has begun offering Wellness Assessments & creating individualized exercise programs for community members at the Four Hills of Life Wellness Center.