

News Release

U of M Crookston Student Tracy Nyhus Knows More Adventure in Kenya Working in Dental Office

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CROOKSTON, Minn. (February 4, 2008) – University of Minnesota, Crookston Junior Tracy Nyhus, Almena, Wisc., recently returned after spending fall semester 2007 studying abroad in Kenya, Africa. A pre-dentistry major, Nyhus spent part of her semester working as an intern in a dental office in Kenya.

"I have seen such happiness in people who live everyday happy to just be alive," said Nyhus. "They may have absolutely nothing, but the smile on their face and the joy in their heart. I want people to know how hospitable the people of Africa are and how accepting they are of people outside their own country."



Nyhus is only the second person from the U of M, Crookston in the Minnesota Studies in International Development (MSID) program to go to Africa. The MSID program aims to put students in direct contact with the social and economic realities of actual communities and of people working within them to address complex problems. Through classes, field trips, internships and research, MSID strives to establish a continual dialogue linking experience with theory and critical analysis.

Rae French, study abroad coordinator, is proud of Nyhus for studying abroad in this unique destination and learning so much from it. "I hope in the future to find more students like Tracy who are willing to look outside their comfort zone and go to places most people only dream of."

Last year the University of Minnesota, Crookston had seven students participating in semester abroad programs. In 2007-08, that number has more than quadrupled with students going to places such as Ireland, New Zealand, Japan, Costa Rica and many more. The campus is excited to see the excitement of Study Abroad grow. As the Learning Abroad Office says in their motto: "Know More Adventure", that is exactly what the students at the University of Minnesota, Crookston are doing.

For more information on studying abroad at the U of M, Crookston, contact Rae French at 218-281-8339 (rfrench@umn.edu).

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