

LIVING LANGUAGE

Visionary Scholar

Dr. Srikant Sarangi arrived on October 22nd as ICIC's "Visionary Scholar," funded by a New Frontiers in the Arts and Humanities grant. Dr. Sarangi is a professor of Language and Communication and the Director of the Health Communication Research Center at Cardiff University, Wales.

Over the three weeks Professor Sarangi was here, he met with graduate students, university faculty, medical doctors and administrators about health discourse, diversity in healthcare delivery, and methodology in discourse research. His stay culminated in a lecture in the ICIC Lecture series titled *Communicative Responsibility, Discourse Analysis, and Diversity in Healthcare Delivery* on November 9, 2005.

Postdoc Training Program

ICIC's new program for international postdocs got underway in September with ICIC's Coordinator of Specific English Training, Pam Ruble, teaching five international postdoctoral students English specific to their field of work.

The students have completed the oral communication component of the program and are now learning research writing. These modules include traditional classroom time as well as online readings, assignments, and discussion.

POSTDOC TRAINING PROGRAM



Students pose while shopping at an Amish market – trying new foods was one of the biggest adventures of the trip!

Investigating American Culture: The ICIC-Hakuoh Program's Visit to Amish Country

ICIC's intensive English programs aim not only to teach international students about English grammar and writing, but also to expose them to American citizens and culture. This past September, thirteen students from Hakuoh University of Japan visited northern Indiana's Amish Country and practiced what they had learned in their daily language classes. The two-day trip began with a visit to Amish Acres, where the students toured a typical Amish house and farm, spoke with an Amish quilter, and explored local shops. Students next visited the Menno-Hof Museum, learning more about the religion and lifestyle of the Amish people and also trying out a tornado simulation! The highlight of the trip was the stop at Cook's Bison Ranch, where students first helped feed bison and later tasted bison meat. Overall, the trip increased the students' cultural awareness and provided them opportunities to practice their English, while also letting them experience many novel and fun activities. HAKUOH

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Professor Sarangi's talk on *Consulting the patient: An intercultural perspective* to IU School of Medicine, October 27, 2005

Newsletter Spotlight

Professor Connor spent the last week of October in Chile presenting the keynote opening lecture at the 2nd Annual Chile TESOL Conference in Concepción and giving lectures at the Universidad de Concepción, Universidad de Chile, Universidad Alberto Hurtado, UMCE, and the Binational Center in Santiago.

Several ICIC Faculty attended the annual INTESOL Conference on October 21, 2005.