



# CONAHEC International Service Learning Student Exchange Program

CONAHEC is pleased to announce a new opportunity for our members. The CONAHEC International Service Learning Student Exchange Program (ISL-SEP) will begin accepting students for the fall 2012 semester.

**What is service learning?** Service learning is an opportunity for students to acquire international experience and awareness through experiential learning involving hands-on projects within a local community partnership. Examples of Service Learning programs include a community service program in a rural community, an internship in a local newspaper, or participation on a multidisciplinary team conducting health education clinics in marginalized neighborhoods.

## CONAHEC ISL-SEP program overview

The objectives of the CONAHEC ISL-SEP are in line with the objectives of service learning generally – to increase cultural awareness on the part of students, to provide an outlet to apply what they have learned in the class-room and to create a relationship between student and community that leaves both better off.

Under the CONAHEC ISL-SEP, host institutions organize and manage service learning opportunities in the local communities in which they are located. Applications are sent via the CONAHEC student exchange program on-line application system. The following institutions are able to offer service learning opportunities:

- ❖ **Lenoir-Rhyne University**, Contact: Charlotte Williams ([charlotte.williams@lr.edu](mailto:charlotte.williams@lr.edu)) for service-learning inquiries; Duane Kirkman ([duane.kirkman@lr.edu](mailto:duane.kirkman@lr.edu)) for all else
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- ❖ **Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana**, Contact: Maria Teresa Lopez ([mtlopez@correo.uam.mx](mailto:mtlopez@correo.uam.mx))

Service-learning exchange opportunities will vary on a semester-to-semester basis. There is no guarantee that the universities listed here will offer service-learning programs in any given academic term. Member universities have wide latitude with regard to the terms of exchange offerings and are encouraged to create programs that work best for themselves and students.