

Students' Corner, May 2001

CES-Ontario Chapter

PLANS FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES

By Candace Nykiforuk, Student Representative

The Board has exciting ideas for student activities this year!

We would like to publish an issue of our Communique specifically for our student members. This issue would highlight student evaluation work, participation at conferences, and other opportunities for students.

As a joint initiative between Student Activities and Professional Development, the Board has been considering creating a workshop aimed directly at students in evaluation. We would like to hear your thoughts on topics that would be of interest to you!

Student Activities wants your feedback! If you have any thoughts on how we are doing so far, or ideas for new activities, contact Candace Nykiforuk, your Student Representative, at students@evaluationontario.ca.

Please email us if you are a student member and would like to:

- submit a short article for publication in the Communique, or have other items you would like considered for inclusion;
- recommend a topic for the development of a student workshop;
- have other ideas you would like to see addressed by Student Activities; or
- all of the above!

CONFERENCE ARTICLES BY STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

The CES-Ontario Chapter is committed to supporting students who are interested in program evaluation. That's why the board decided to sponsor six students to attend the conference as volunteers. While lending a helping hand, these students were able to network with other conference attendees and learn from more experienced evaluators.

Two of the volunteers, Trisha Gavin and Cameron Norman, wrote articles describing their experiences at the conference. Click [here](#) to read what they had to say about the conference and the benefits of volunteering.

CASE COMPETITION WINNERS

Congratulations to the University of Waterloo Case Competition Team, winners of the 2001 CES evaluation case competition. The Waterloo team competed against teams from Quebec and Ottawa in the final round of the competition, which was held on Monday, May 21 at 1:30 p.m. The teams were given five hours to develop and present an evaluation proposal for the case study. We are very proud of team members Liz Cyarto, Trisha Gavin, Nicki Mitek, Candace Nykiforuk, and Nancy Pearce.

STUDENT ESSAY COMPETITION AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to Ontario Chapter members Steven Katz and Stephanie Sutherland, who received an honourable mention award in the Graduate Division of the 2001 Student Essay Competition. The title of their paper was, "Developing an Evaluation Habit of Mind: The Experience of the Manitoba School Improvement Program". You can view an abstract of the paper on the [CES National Website](#) by following the links in the Awards section.

Steven and Stephanie attend the University of Toronto, in the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, under the supervision of Dr. Lorna Earl.