



Gujarat Technological University

KANSAS STATE  
UNIVERSITYDivision of  
Continuing Education

Report of First Two Weeks of International Experience Program  
Kansas State University  
By  
Students of Gujarat Technological University  
June 14 - June 30, 2013



Students started arriving in groups on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June who were welcomed by KSU officials. All the students have been given accommodation in West Hall on campus having all basic facility as well recreation facilities such as Wi-Fi access, Table-Tennis, Pool, Gymnasium and Television. For preparing own food, a kitchen facility is available in the residence hall. Housing and dining section of the university has provided students with electronic card for entering in their hall of residence as well as for accessing dining facility.

First welcome address in College of Engineering at Rathbone Hall in Pasley Auditorium was organized by KSU officials on June 19, 2013. Dean of Engineering Dr. Gary Clark gave a welcome speech to GTU students. An orientation program for the students was arranged by International Distance Education Program Office. They guided them over all the campus and made them familiar with various process and places.



Group Photo After Breakfast on June 27,2013 at Derby Dining Hall

The lecture hall and residence hall are at walking. Students started attending lectures as per schedule. The library facility with large number of computers, wi-fi enabled photocopier and scanner, automated moving racks for saving space have been found to be interesting features of the library. The recreation center at the campus has remained as most attractive place to visit by the students every evening.

Some of the students were invited by Dr. Sue Maes – Dean of Division of Continuing Education to have a breakfast at her home and to visit “Konza Prairie Biological Station” which is the largest unplowed tall grass Prairie Preserve in America with 8600 acres and offers hiking and tours. Dr. Sue promised to arrange this kind of visits for every student.

KSU also arranged transportation for students to visit Asian food store where Indian food items are available. Students made a list of item and visited store for shopping. On Sunday evening some times students prepared delicious food in the kitchen facility available at West Hall.

On June 27, 2013 Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs Ruth Dyer, Dr. Sue Maes – Dean of Division of Continuing Education, Dr. Hosni - Professor and the Frankhoff Chair in Engineering and Program Director IEP , Dr. Don Gruenbacher - Head, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Karen Hibbard- Vice President, Manhattan Convention and Visitors Bureau, Stacy Bailey- International Students and Scholar Services attended the welcome breakfast and made in gave their welcome speeches and admired efforts by GTU and Specially, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor Dr. Akshai Aggarwal who dreamed for such wonderful program for the benefit of the students. Dr. Ruth Dyer, Sue Maes and Dr. Gruenbacher advised students to take academic benefit of the program and assured of all support to make it eventful and interesting. Dr. Hosni elaborated about the program and its background with consistent efforts put in by all since last

three years and with coordination handled by Hiren Thaker. Dr. Vishvjit Thakar and Jigar Gajjar were invited to express their feeling about the program.



Dr. Ruth Dyer



Sue Maes



Dr. Hosni



Dr. Greaubacher



Karen Habbard



Dr. Vishvjit Thakar



Jigar Gajjar Student Coordinator

### Expressing Views at the Breakfast



Students attending Class on First Day at Fiedler Hall





Students Checking in at Front Desk of West Hall



Students planning at the front lobby



Students playing pool and relaxing after heavy assignments



Students with Dr. Sanjoy Das



Students with Dr. Kevin Wenklyn

Students are getting excellent opportunity to interact with group from South Korea who are also here for similar program with computer science and information department. Students are now tuned for online system of interactions, submission of assignments, online quiz and many more.

For buying items of their daily need, student visit wall mart through aTa bus from K-State union, This is about 10 minute distance. Student also experience taking food at aggieville when Sunday dinner not served by the dining hall.



Resident Hall Side View and K-State Union Front View

On July 4, 2013, students visited Wamego Town to watch USA Independence Day celebration as a guided tour. The tour was facilitated by DEP, KSU and coordinated by Kelli.

“We are having global exposure and experiencing international level education, we appreciate the hardwork and efforts made by each one from GTU and KSU for giving us such opportunity”

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