

# **First Report of the Arrival of Students and Faculty Members at Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada**

As part of its Global Initiative Program, Gujarat Technological University (GTU) has organised 6 weeks International Global Experience Program (from 15<sup>th</sup> June to 29<sup>th</sup> July 2012) at Laurentian University (LU), Sudbury, Ontario, Canada.

A total of 106 students of Pharmacy, Computer Science and Engineering/IT from various institutions across the state of Gujarat, led by Professor Dr. Anita Mehta, Principal, L.M. College of Pharmacy, Ahmedabad and Prof. Nirbhay Chaubey, OSD, Gujarat Technological University arrived in the campus of **Laurentian University** in three different groups on 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June 2012. A small group of 18 students when they reached at Toronto's Airport late in the night of 14<sup>th</sup> June 2012, Dr. Kalpdrum Passi along with the three other Professors and students picked and drop them up at the university residence. The remaining three groups of students were brought to the university residence by bus. Dr. Passi welcomed all the students and faculty members and saw to it that they were comfortably settled in the campus. The students have been given kits of 6 week program schedule.

On arrival they have been allocated rooms in M and B Wing of the university residence. They have been offered facilities like Library access, Game Zone and Gym etc. Their lunch and dinner have been arranged in Pub, Great Hall, R. D. Parker Building in the University Campus.

On 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012, the University arranged a Sudbury City tour for the students in three different groups by bus. They visited Sudbury's most famous landmark i.e. Sudbury Big Nickel, New Sudbury Centre, located at the corner of Barrydowne Road, Lasalle Boulevard & lakes and beaches etc. The Sudbury Big Nickel is a giant replica of the Canadian five-cent piece.

Prof. Mehta and Prof. Chaubey visited the university campus and met Dr. Abdel Omri, Professor of Pharmacology and Dr. Kalpdrum Passi, Chair of Mathematics and Computer Science regarding the courses, the examination scheme and collaboration in research work with the GTU. Prof. Mehta and Prof. Chaubey also discussed with Ms. Rachel,

Business Officer, Faculty of Science and Engineering for successful implementation of the 6 week summer camp including excursion to Ottawa, Niagra Fall etc.



**[A view of group photographs of all the students]**



**[A view of group photographs of the Pharmacy Students]**



**[A view of group photographs of Computer Science and Engineering/IT Students]**

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