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LUTHER COLLEGE STUDENTS SUPPORT THE WORK OF NATURE SASKATCHEWAN

Students studying in the non-profit sector at Luther College have helped an environmental organization develop strategies to support volunteer engagement and appreciation.

Earlier this year, students in NSLI 100 (Foundations of the Nonprofit Sector) partnered with Nature Saskatchewan to improve volunteer management and engagement strategies.

This service-learning partnership helped students understand the challenges and opportunities involved in sustainable volunteer management. Community engagement around Saskatchewan's natural environment is a key component of Nature Saskatchewan's he organizational mission. This year, they are celebrating 75 years of service, and volunteers have been key to their longevity.

"We gained so many positive attainable solutions from the students. It has been inspiring to see so much investment not only to their class project, but to Nature Saskatchewan. The students far exceeded my expectations. We will use these recommendations as part of our strategic planning this year and the recommendations will form part of our upcoming community engagement events," says Rebecca Magnus, Species at Risk Manager at Nature Saskatchewan.

"These types of community service-learning projects develop meaningful opportunities for students to work with organizations and support them by combining theory and practice to come up with innovative solutions to organizational challenges," said Colleen Strauch, the Director of the <u>Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Studies Network</u> (NVSSN) at Luther College. "Students gain greater understanding real-life challenges and also gain understanding of career opportunities in the non-profit sector."











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ABOUT LUTHER COLLEGE

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