



# All Things Ignatian



## Migrant Journey Service Learning

Office of Multicultural Affairs  
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### Historic Memory

- Spring 2006: Jesuit Hispanic Ministry Conference
- Spring 2007: Catholic Migrant Farmworker Network: II National Consultation (15 Students)
- Spring 2008: Stockton, CA and Los Angeles, CA  
*Asparagus Harvesting, Spiritual Outreach (11 Students)*
- Spring 2009: Rural Communities of Ohio  
*Tree nursery, potato and poultry plants, steel foundry & Spiritual Outreach (13 Students)*
- Spring 2009: Founding of Nebraska Migrant Action Coalition
- Summer 2009: Scottsbluff, NE  
*Legal advocacy & Literacy Project (4 Students)*
- Spring 2010: Stockton/Fresno/Keene, CA  
*Orange harvesting, Apple tree pruning, vineyard work & Spiritual Outreach (12 Students)*
- Summer 2010: Grand Island, NE  
*Legal advocacy & Literacy Project (7 Students)*



Welcomed by those who are often not welcomed

Creighton University and the Catholic Migrant Farmworker Network are unified in their faith commitment to social justice, dignity, and respect for all. Both institutions work tirelessly to bridge the differences and distances that separate the human family.

“Migrant Journey Service Learning ” examines the impact of experiential learning on college students as they are immersed into the daily lives of the migrant family.

The project design serves as a model for other institutions of higher education to provide testimony to what is heard, seen and shared in pursuit of the truth and social justice. Our call to action has provided us with many opportunities to share sacred stories and our experiences at conferences, universities and with international audiences.

We have received the following honors: 2009 Creighton University Academic Excellence and Assessment Grant and 2010 University of Nebraska Omaha: College of Public Affairs and Community Services Award for Excellence in Public Service.



Skilled Labor: Pruning Apple Tree's in rural communities of Ohio

### Learning Objectives

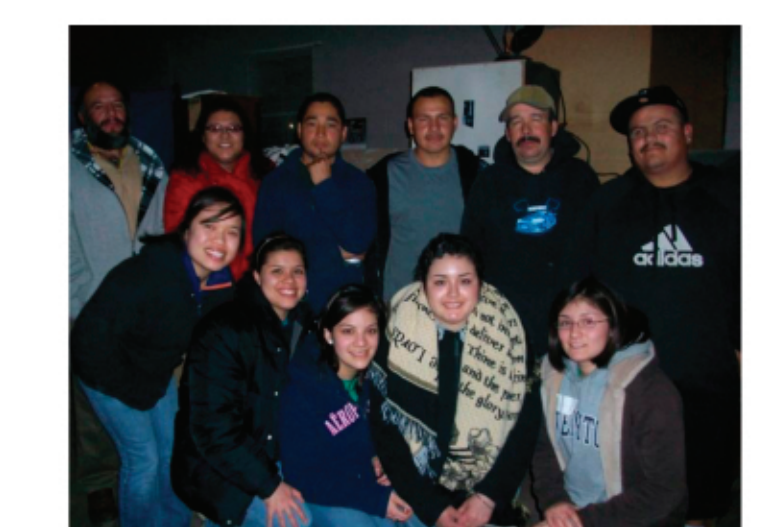
- ✦ Contemplate and reflect on how we find God in all things.
- ✦ Act in solidarity with immigrant communities – gathering the human family and creating spaces characterized by compassion for the human spirit.
- ✦ Learn coalition building with grassroots organizations



Altar  
Fresno, California



Pruning grape vineyards  
Fresno, California



Work Camp  
Tracy, California



Legal Advocacy Team  
Scottsbluff, NE



Orange Harvest  
Fresno, California



Dairy Production  
Rural Ohio



II National Consultation: 156  
Migrant Leaders



Literacy Project  
10,000+ free Children's Books distributed

### Community Partnerships

- ✦ Catholic Migrant Farmworker Network
- ✦ Creighton University Latino Student Association
- ✦ Diocese of Stockton – Hispanic Ministry Office
- ✦ Diocese of Fresno – Hispanic Ministry Office
- ✦ Immigrant Workers Project – Canton, Ohio
- ✦ Legal Aid of Nebraska
- ✦ Midwest Freight USA
- ✦ Nebraska Migrant Education
- ✦ NAF Multicultural Corp.
- ✦ Nebraska Department of Labor

### Spiritual Outreach

- ✦ Migrant Work Camps in California and Ohio
- ✦ Saint Mary's Interfaith Community Services, Stockton, California
- ✦ Fellowship at Pathways Women's Shelter, Ohio
- ✦ Spiritual Reflections & Journaling
- ✦ Participation in outdoor prayer experiences with the Migrant Community

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“I believe I have been given a divine invitation to live and love for and with others. The numerous stories I have heard remind me of my humanity. I hope that the little things that I do will show my dedication to share and remember the migrants' sacred stories.”

– Norma Calzada, Creighton Class of 2012