



Bert Mueller is a student at The College of William and Mary in Virginia, U.S.A, graduating in 2011. There, he studies both music and public policy. During his time as an intern with Jatan, Bert observed and took part in work with migration at the newly inaugurated Jatan office in Raipur.” Office Coordinator Samarveer Singh took Bert under his wing and helped him understand the challenges faced by families with members who are migrant laborers. They spent time networking with local leaders and also signing villagers up for ID cards. They also conducted a survey to collect data on migrant laborers. “It was a truly rewarding experience”, according to Bert.

Diana Arellano is a student at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, in the U.S.A. She plans to graduate in 2011 with a degree in Community Health. Jatan Sansthan has provided numerous opportunities for Diana to examine the different programs they’ve created that focus on women empowerment and female infanticide. Diana has acquired a new understanding about the severity of these issues and how Jatan helps to relieve them. She thoroughly enjoyed spending time with the adolescent girls, visiting Public Health Centers, discussing women’s health problems with the parahealth workers and simply interacting with the Jatan staff and people in the local villages. Diana is very glad she had the privilege to work with Jatan!





Anna Goss studies Cultural Anthropology at Beloit College in Wisconsin, U.S.A. Anna's time with Jatan, has been very beneficial. She has sat in on various meetings about migrant work labor and the issues that they face and has had the opportunity to go on multiple field visits to a school in Rajsamand. She got to meet the principal, teachers, and children while on her visit. Despite the difficulties of the language barrier, Anna's experiences at the school were very rewarding. Anna was recently moved to Railmagra, where she has been assigned to teach English to adolescent school children, which she has really enjoyed. Anna is very grateful that she got to learn about the various programs and projects that Jatan Sansthan offers the communities to which they tend. Overall, Anna's experience at Jatan Sansthan was very positive.

Joey Engelhart studies at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, in the U.S.A. He plans to graduate in 2011 with a B.A. in both English and Psychology. During his time with Jatan, Joey has observed and participated in a variety of field activities, such as youth health group meetings, migrant laborer registration sessions in Raipur, and English classes with youth in Anjana. About these field excursions, he states that "every adventure was interesting, illuminating both the activities of Jatan and the ways of life in rural Rajasthan." He has also written presentations for Dr. Brijwasi and edited the work Jatan publishes, including a conference report about "Sex Determination and Gender" Jatan's organization profile . "My experience with Jatan was unique and rewarding. I met new friends here, and will cherish my time with the organization," Joey says about his experience.





Paul Smith Jr. is a student at Colorado State University in the U.S.A, studying philosophy, sociology and psychology, and will graduate at the end of 2010. As an intern with Jatan during the months of March and April in 2010, he traveled throughout Rajasthan to the numerous offices and field sites, observing and taking part in the projects and workshops that Jatan carries out. He taught yoga, pranayama, meditation and English to young boys and men who were in a Skill Training, Employability and Placement (STEP) school and is currently working on a yoga booklet to be distributed throughout JATAN's youth groups. He attended Village Health and Sanitation Committee training seminars, and worked with leaders, health professionals and citizens throughout rural villages to help contemplate and resolve local difficulties. Paul has expressed that his "understanding of the world and its people has been significantly broadened, his compassion deepened, and his drive to serve others intensified thanks to Jatan."