should a professor do when a student falls ill or someone’s passport is lost or stolen? Is discipline an additional burden on faculty with a group so far from home? Fortunately, the group leaders have had extensive experience in organizing and implementing programs in Asia. They not only allayed fears, but also raised issues that had not been addressed by participants.

When the trip ended, I had the mixed feelings of someone who had enjoyed the sojourn and would return to Asia. I also felt a sense of joy and accomplishment for I had had an unbelievable experience. It is an experience I would like my students to have, with me in tow, of course.

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**AUGUSTANA COLLEGE BECOMES THE INSTITUTIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE ASIANetwork**

Van Symons, an historian of China, a member of the History Department of Augustana College, and a former Chair of the Board of Directors of the ASIANetwork, will assume the position of Executive Director of the ASIANetwork on September 1, 1999. At its April 1999 meeting, the Board of Directors of the ASIANetwork accepted the invitation of Thomas Tredway, President of Augustana College, made on behalf of the college, to host the organization. Augustana College will become the institutional headquarters.

Augustana College is the third liberal arts institution to host the ASIANetwork. St. Andrews Presbyterian College was the first institutional headquarters from 1993-1994, under the executive directorship of Thomas Benson, then Provost of St. Andrews who is now President of Green Mountain College. Upon the invitation of its Asian Studies Program and of President Kathryn Mohrman, Colorado College became the second host institution, under the executive directorship, from 1994-1999, of Marianna Presler McJimsey, a member of the Education Department of Colorado College.

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**TEN ASIANetwork FREEMAN STUDENT-FACULTY FELLOW TEAMS CONDUCT RESEARCH IN ASIA IN SUMMER 1999**

As students begin to develop an interest in Asia, they and those who teach them realize that the most effective means to develop a deeper awareness of the region is to spend some time there. One way to cultivate their interests and intellectual commitments to Asia is through scholarly research on-site. Even a short period of time can be used for intense and productive research, particularly if there is good cooperation with and supervision by a faculty member knowledgeable about the region. Such intense, in-depth research experiences may promote further investigations and publication opportunities and will also enrich the home campuses in the United States when the students and faculty members return.

In 1999, ten Student-Faculty Fellows teams from ASIANetwork institutions undertook collaborative research in Asia, for at least three weeks. The Freeman Foundation grant supported ten research projects in 1998, and will support ten pairs each year for yet another two years (2000, 2001).

The 1999 research sites included India, Japan, Peoples Republic of China, Thailand, Taiwan, and Vietnam. The ASIANetwork congratulates the 1999 ASIANetwork Freeman Student/Faculty Fellows, whose projects are listed here.

**Carthage College,** Heidi Jugenitz, '00, English/Spanish, and Micheline R. Lessard, History.

Site: Vietnam