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**Wright Faculty Member
Does Research in
Antarctica**

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that while on sabbatical leave for the Fall 2008 semester, Wright College Biology faculty member, Alicia Anzaldo, participated on a research expedition to Antarctica. The Tawani International Antarctica Expedition is a collaboration between scientists from the United States, Austria, and Russia. The twelve member team spent 7-weeks conducting scientific research studying micro-organisms in glaciers and lakes on the frozen continent with a focus on studying life forms that may also exist in the harsh conditions of space.

that Professor Anzaldo was the only community college faculty member on the team. She will use her sabbatical experiences to teach students about research techniques and about opportunities for international collaboration in science. The research is sponsored by the Planetary Studies Foundation located in Galena, Illinois and the NASA Marshall Space Flight Center of Huntsville, Alabama. Funding for the research was provided by the Tawani Enterprises Inc. and NASA.

Respectfully submitted,

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