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Dear International Office and USI,

Five months have gone by since I arrived in August, and it feels like it was only yesterday. You only realize how fast time flies when it is going to be over soon. I guess it is a good thing, because it means I had a good time over here in the US. I'll be leaving the States tomorrow and I am sad to go; Evansville has become my second home. Thinking back, I remember USI was not even my first choice. I cannot imagine how much I would have missed if I had decided not to come here. Thank you so much for making this one of the best times of my life.

I was amazed how everyone that I met on Campus, seemed to be excited about me being here. I felt as welcome as I never have before. All of my teachers were thrilled to get to know me and my country. Being part of USI's international community offered me the chance to get to know a variety of different cultures. I feel honored to have been part of many special things: The murder mystery, volunteering with Patchwork Central in Evansville, and the German luncheon with Trudy Mitchell are only a few of the many things I could experience.

Thank you USI for making me feel welcome, for offering unique trips to beautiful places in Indiana and beyond, for letting me improve my English skills, for getting me in contact with amazing friends all over the world, for helping me become more independent, for making me feel at home. I cannot express how thankful I am to each and every one of you.

- Juliane