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20. Termination Date 03/14/2009		40. Period Covered (mo/da/year): 03/15/2005 TO 12/30/2005	
Students Funded: 0.2		Faculty Hours Funded:	
41. Progress Report: We initiated three activities under this project: (1) Conversational Spanish seminars at the beginner and intermediate levels were offered during the fall semester. Ten faculty and five graduate students in the Dept of Forestry and Environmental Resources attended the seminars. Evaluations were generally excellent. We plan to offer the seminar again in the spring semester. (2) Faculty from the University of Concepcion visited NCSU in July, and Dr. Lee Allen (co-PI) spent the fall semester on sabbatical at the University of Concepcion. (3) We held an informational meeting, developed a preliminary webpage, and circulated information on faculty travel grants available through the project.			
43. Publications No Publications Reported			
Products We have established or renewed memoranda of understanding between NCSU and the University of Concepcion and Austral University.			
Outcomes Faculty and students have improved their Spanish language skills, including idioms and vocabulary specific to Chile and to natural resource management.			
Dissemination Activities We have developed a preliminary webpage.			
Future Initiatives We expect faculty and student exchange to begin in 2006.			
Impacts Faculty and graduate students at NCSU and Chilean universities are now aware of the opportunities for study and research at the other institutions.			
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