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Steve Rosenfield and Vanier at the Annual AQPC Symposium

September 29, 2009 Steve Rosenfield, Vanier's Scholar in residence, and math teacher extraordinaire, received public recognition of his dedication to teaching and innovation in the classroom when he was awarded a 2009 Honorary Mention from the AQPA - Association québécoise de pédagogie collégiale.

Vanier College nominated Steve after he won the 2007-2008 Vanier College Teaching Excellence Award. Steve received the 2009 Honorary Mention during the AQPC's 29th Annual Symposium *Toward Learning that Lasts* held in Trois-Rivières last June.

Created to stimulate pedagogical progress in colleges and upgrade the teaching profession in higher education, the AQPC is open to everyone who works in education. Every year, the AQPC organizes a symposium featuring over 100 conferences, round table discussions and other presentations.

This year, two groups from Vanier gave workshops at the symposium. Sophie Jacmin and Caroline Chwojka from Vanier Humanities along with Sharon Coyle from Cegep de Sept-Iles presented *Ten concrete classroom activities that aim at long term learning*. Their presentation described *Team-teaching in the Virtual World* a project on which they collaborated to create a virtual classroom bringing together the students from their respective classes that were over 800 kilometers apart.

As well, Marilyn Caplan, Cari-Lynn Clough, Joanne Ellis and Kim Muncey of the Learning Centre offered a workshop on *Learning to Teach: Exploring the experiences of new teachers in the Cegep network* based on the results of their three-year PAREA funded study on the factors promoting effective integration and professional development of new teachers by academic departments.

