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**Thiede '14 Reflects on Four Years with CST**

*Summary: Thiede entered, organized, analyzed, and compiled information and helped teachers and educators better engage with students throughout the state.*

(July 3, 2014)-Sarah Thiede '14, Cottage Grove, recently concluded her service to the University of Minnesota, Morris Center for Small Towns (CST) after spending four years with the office. In that time Thiede entered, organized, analyzed, and compiled information and helped teachers and educators better engage with students throughout the state.

Thiede began her work with CST as a sophomore, doing data entry for University of Minnesota Extension. For the last three years she also worked with the annual Editors and Publishers project, helping rural newspaper publishers get accurate analyses of their writing. Throughout her service Thiede demonstrated steady commitment to both of these projects.

Thiede graduated in May with majors in English and French as well as teaching licensure in both disciplines. Originally from the Twin Cities, she was hesitant about working with CST. However, she found that the work changed her views, and she is interested in continuing to work with small towns.

“Things are really happening in small towns” Thiede said, “I’m excited to continue teaching and living in small towns here in Minnesota or elsewhere in the country”.

CST is a community outreach program that serves as a point-of-entry to the resources of the University of Minnesota. Small towns, local units of government, k-12 schools, nonprofit organizations, and other University units are able to utilize CST’s resources as they work on rural issues or make contributions to rural society. Its mission is to focus the University’s attention and marshal its resources toward assisting Minnesota’s small towns with locally identified issues by creating applied learning opportunities for faculty and students.

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