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Project Learn Belize UPDATE

USF Teacher Assistant Program: January 2009

Project Learn Belize traveled once again to Dangriga in January for its Teacher Assistant Program, matching students from the USF School of Education's Teacher Education Department with local Belizean teachers at Sacred Heart Primary School.



Five undergraduate seniors in the *Dual Degree Teacher Preparation* program (Kelsey Boyd, Kathryn Butler, Leah Gaynor, Elisa Jennings, Melissa Nave) joined four graduate SOE teacher credential students (Meghann Hayes, Katie Newman, Janine Stelling, Eileen Walsh) to work alongside local faculty members in classrooms for two weeks. Tom Neitzke, S.J., and Martin Schreiber, S.J., both graduate students from the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, assisted Dr. Dillon, S.J., (**Project** Director) in overseeing the Program, as well as leading group reflections, offering advice and classroom mentoring, and teaching several religion classes at the school. When they were not working in classrooms or doing lesson preparations, the USF group dialogued with a number of local experts on topics ranging from education and the Garifuna culture to health services and human rights advocacy.