



ALUMNI STORY: FROM FRONTIER COLLEGE TO BHUTAN

Noorin Shivji began her career with Frontier College as a Literacy Camp counsellor in Northern Ontario on two remote Anishinawbe communities. There, working with the students and their families, she came to understand the aspirations of the people in these very special communities and the right of every human being for literacy.

Following her time in the north, Noorin was able to get an internship with Frontier College in Ottawa which was followed by her appointment as Community Coordinator for the City of Ottawa. This was a new position created for her as a result of her highly successful internship. During her three years as Community Coordinator, Noorin increased the number of recruited volunteers from 20 to 60, doubled the number of programs, and initiated a new summer camp. It was a period of huge growth for Frontier College in Ottawa and for Noorin, personally.

Most recently, Noorin has been involved in teaching and working in several First Nations communities, which has afforded her the opportunity to learn skills and participate in activities beyond her imagination. She credits Frontier College with giving her an appreciation of working with indigenous groups and rightly points out that it is one of the few NGOs in Canada committed to serving First Nations people.

And now, Noorin is on her way to the remote Kingdom of Bhutan to teach and learn—one of the happy outcomes of her time spent with Frontier College.

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