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Dear Ms. Stroschine:

This letter and the attached video serve as the final report for our Iowa College Foundation grant to create a digital instructional video for students that demonstrate and reinforce how to do abdominal assessment of the pregnant patient within our Nursing program.

The video was created using computer multimedia software and hardware purchased from this grant, including Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Creative Suite, and a CD/DVD burner. Additional hardware and software beyond what was supplied by the grant was also used.

A copy of this report and the video have been put on Dr. Jerz's St. Ambrose website at the following URLs:

Report: [http://web.sau.edu/JerzRichardJ/Professional/ICF-Nursinig\\_Report.pdf](http://web.sau.edu/JerzRichardJ/Professional/ICF-Nursinig_Report.pdf)

Video: <http://web.sau.edu/JerzRichardJ/Professional/icf-nursing.wmv>

Later this summer Ms. Hasenmiller will put a copy on the Nursing website.

The video was completed at the end of the Spring 04 semester. Consequently, it has not been used in the classroom yet. This video will accompany classroom instruction and lab practice in the Fall04 class: "Nursing 352 - Interventions III."

As you will see by viewing the video, the topic of abdominal assessment is presented very concisely and efficiently. Digital video editing permits the removal of any unwanted speech and other media. Videos can be customized for the instructor's best idea of how to present a topic. Speech and visuals can be carefully timed. A mixture of multimedia components can be easily integrated. The video can be reviewed by students as often as necessary. We believe that videos such as this one will become a very powerful instructional supply in the future.

Our goal for next year is to make faculty, staff, and students more aware of the potential for multimedia content to enhance the learning experience. We plan to provide at least one presentation, probably at the St. Ambrose University Brown Bag Lunch event

that our Library sponsors. We are certainly not experts at this, but we plan to offer our learning experience to the St. Ambrose Center for Teaching Excellence.

This project was worth our time and resources. On behalf of all St. Ambrose faculty and students, we thank the Iowa College Foundation for the resources that made this project possible. You are making a difference in how students and faculty at St. Ambrose learn using technology. If you should have any questions feel free to contact us directly.

Sincerely,

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