Reflections on Field Experiences

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Importance of Field Experiences

• In depth exchange of knowledge in space at different spatial scales

• In depth exchange of experience over time
Differences Between ‘Case Station’ and ‘Case Study’

• Case studies are seldom longitudinal

• Case studies have tended to be isolated from each other
Implications of the Field Campus

• Case stations must be stable
• Case stations must be visible
• Case stations must be adaptable
Benefits of the Field Campus

• Training of young professionals is more realistic and rigorous.
• There are simultaneous (or cascading) benefits for the host community or hinterland of the case study station.
• Knowledge exchange is face to face, which enhances electronic networking and provides for serendipity and surprise.