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Amanda Blair, left, interacting with one of her students

“Time is what you make of it!”

Amanda Blair, pictured left, a member of B360 Education Partnerships, a Swiss volunteer organisation, is a staunch believer in the adage that “Time is what you make of it!”

In fact, in the three weeks that she has been on the Poly campus as a guest lecturer in English and Communication, she has inculcated into her students the notion that: “You will never have this opportunity again, so make the most of it.”

This bundle of energy cannot hide her excitement at having had an opportunity to lecture at the Poly as a volunteer.

She says the students of the Polytechnic are fascinating and very friendly, and if given the opportunity to come to the Poly again, she will gladly do so. “I would like to see an increase in the number of guest lecturers from abroad as I think this is a wonderful opportunity for the lecturers themselves and for the students,” Blair said.

Blair was highly impressed by the reception she received when she arrived on campus. “I received an extremely warm welcome from staff and students. I also totally love the buzz of the campus. The students ask interesting questions and are curious to learn about business and culture in Europe. In turn, they share a lot of information with me about the Namibian culture.”

She encouraged the Polytechnic to expand its practical approach

to all courses, to give the students an opportunity to taste reality and learn skills that they could apply directly in their jobs.

The B360 Education Partnerships association also provides opportunities and facilitates internships for students in different countries. Blair said that when she returns to Switzerland she will share her experiences at the Poly with her friends in the business industry in the hope of awakening their interest in taking Poly students for internships.