

Dal Profile BY JEANNE JU

Name: Terri Ruddy.
Age: 20.
Pastimes: Karate, dance, aerobics, swimming (I lifeguarded for 4 years) and weight-training.
What are you studying at Dal: I'm in Biology right now, but I'm hoping to get into the Marine Biology Co-op program.
Things that you like to do: Dancing and trying anything once. I'm supposed to be dancing in the East Coast Music Awards for a guy named Jamie Sparks; we're dancing at a club

Favourite footwear: Comfort-wise, definitely running shoes; but platform shoes because I like dressing up.
Favourite place to study at Dal: The Reading Room in the Killam Library because it's quiet.
Favourite place to hang out at Dal: The Black Advisory Office — it's a social atmosphere.
Favourite procrastination activity: Cleaning up the house; finding something to do in the house instead of studying!
Favourite cereal: Quaker Harvest Crunch.

like to travel more; I'd like to try water-skiing; end up in the Caribbean; adopt children who need homes from another country.
Dream job: To be a marine biologist on the ocean living on a boat... something like that!



Favourite colour: Blue.
Favourite Musician: Michael Jackson. That sounds so bad.
Favourite music: R&B.
Hero: My Mom. It sounds so cheesy, but I have a lot of respect for my mother because she has always been supportive.
Bad habits: I snore and probably a lot more, but I don't think they're bad 'cause their mine...but, yeah, I snore!
Ambitions: I'd

Things you'd like to change about yourself: I'd like to eventually become vegetarian because it's more energy efficient. It takes 18 grams of dry food to feed people one gram of beef!. Right now, I still eat fish, but I think that's because I haven't learned [the] many recipes that I could. I'd like to become as...environmentally friendly as I can.
Things you'd like to have changed at Dal: In the winter, the heat is on so hot in the classrooms of the A&A and in the Killam and the windows are opened. They should turn down the heat and turn it off at night. I'd also like to see more recycling containers everywhere.
Have any suggestions on improving Dal spirit? Dal doesn't really have a cheerleading or spirit quad for the athletes. I think Dal needs to tie in the different programs so people get more of a chance to meet each other. Because I find that I tend to see the same faces everyday and the campus is so big; it's hard to meet people outside of

called the Roxy this Thursday. So, dancing takes up a lot of my time. I enjoy anything outdoors. I'm a Dalhousie Outdoors Club member, so I've been skydiving, rock climbing, hiking, and caving.

like to study in another country; I'd like to teach English in Korea, so I need to finish my degree; I'd like to hopefully achieve my black belt in karate someday.

Things that make you happy: Getting packages in the mail from friends and family; photography; spending time with family.

Greatest regrets: I don't believe in regrets. I feel that everything happens for a reason. There are things that I've learned from like appreciating family and more, and taking your education more seriously. You learn from everything.

Things that bug you: Seeing people waste things; it bothers me when people take a plastic bag just for a roll of film and little things like that.

Most treasured possessions: I don't really have anything that I would put that much emphasis on. I like having material things, but I don't think I own anything I couldn't live without...maybe I would want my toothbrush... toothbrush and soap, that's fine!

Things that scare you: The future — what's going to happen when I get out of school; if I'm going to get a job; where I'm going to live; what the world is going to be like in the year 2000? Are we going to have any natural environment left, any biodiversity?

Motto in life: Live life to the fullest. No one knows what's going to happen tomorrow, so if there's something you really want to do today, and you've got the money or time, don't let anything hold you back.
Things that you just gotta do before you bite the dust: I'd

Favourite book from your childhood: *The Monster at the End of this Book* with Grover. I loved Grover and *Sesame Street* as a kid.

Things that you just gotta do before you bite the dust: I'd

Favourite Song of All Time: "Can You Stand the Rain", by New Edition. (I was just in love with Ralph Tresvant.)

Things that you just gotta do before you bite the dust: I'd

Favourite Movies: *Shawshank Redemption* and *Gorillas in the Mist*.


Favourite TV shows: Don't really watch TV that much, but I really like the Learning Channel and the Discovery Channel. I like watching documentaries. If I had to pick one specific TV show, I'd say Oprah.



Biology.
If you were an animal/plant (in your next life) what would you be? If I were a plant, I'd be grass because it's everywhere and I'd be guaranteed life. If I were an animal I'd be a bird because I've always wanted to fly. Birds can fly and see everything.

What you've learned most from your parents: To respect myself, and to respect other cultures. I'm of mixed background, so I've learned to respect everybody's individual culture, even if I don't agree to

what the culture pertains.
Where do you see yourself in 10 years? I see myself stable in some sort of career; hopefully own maybe not a huge house, but a nice house and have adopted a couple of children.
What product would you advertise for free? A composter. I think everyone should have a composter because they're not difficult to use and it's better for the environment.
Embarrassing Moment: Once last year, a friend and I went to the 24 Hour Shopper's Drug Mart. We were in one of the aisles and my friend was smelling this cocoa butter lotion which she told me I had to smell. And I said, "Oh wait, I've got cocoa butter chap stick that smells so much better!" So, she leaned over to smell my lips while the security guard happened to pass by the aisle. It looked like we were making out in the store, so every time I go back to the Shopper's Drug Mart, and the security guard is working, he kind of looks at me funny.



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