

## Drugs Across Cultures Course

**D**ear Tony, I wanted to thank you again for your lecture on Friday. It was a bit chaotic at the end, and it was a bit tricky to properly express this at the time. I'm sure you have been told many times, but your story is a very powerful one and it has really stuck with me. We are very lucky to have you come and speak for the Drugs Across Cultures course.

I'm not sure if you realise how large the course has become. This year we have approximately 1300 students, and many of the students listen to the lectures online. Below is an email from one of the students – I thought you might like to read it.

Thanks again, Victoria

Dr Victoria Loblay

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**H**i Victoria, I couldn't make the lecture yesterday, but I actually listened to the recording late last night all the way through.

I don't know if you can pass this message on to Tony but I'll just say it anyway: his story touched me deeply and I truly admire his courage. I just really wanted him to know that because I was in tears the whole time. Part of the reason I am studying law is because I want to help make changes to matters of this kind – changing the drug policies and so forth. People like Tony just further inspire me to do so.

Thank you also for bringing him in to speak – it really shows the reality of drugs and what they can do.

## Words of Wisdom

*Being International Women's Month, below is a wonderful poem Audrey Hepburn wrote to share her 'beauty tips'. These words of wisdom were read at her funeral years later.*

For attractive lips, speak words of kindness.  
For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people.  
For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry.  
For beautiful hair, let a child run his/her fingers through it once a day.  
For poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone.  
People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed,  
And redeemed; never throw out anyone.  
Remember, if you ever need a helping hand,  
You will find one at the end of each of your arms.  
As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands;  
One for helping yourself, and the other for helping others.