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Living

Below the Line

Sam Gordon/Photo

Above, Brittany Aubry, Global Poverty Project presenter, presented “1.4 Billion Reasons” to a crowd of students April 8 in Violetta Hall. Below, a sign for the “Live Below the Line” advertisement a challenge for anyone who saw it. The presentation attempted to raise awareness of poverty in developing countries.

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Ririe noted that Chinese food often is offered to college students. However, a recent presentation challenged Truman State students to try this three-course meal for five days.

The Global Poverty Project, founded during 2008 in the U.S., gave a presentation titled “1.4 Billion Reasons” to a group of 70 students April 8 in Violetta Hall. Participation in the campaign is free; however, if you want to participate in the “Live Below the Line” challenge, Ririe said. For this challenge, participants also can raise money for those in poverty, Ririe said. If participants sign up on the “Live Below the Line” campaign, participants also can raise money.

The students who attended the presentation were exposed to the problem of poverty in a hopeful light, Ririe said, because GPP tries to show the grim side, Thomas said, because they often have to take from that amount to cover emergencies. “Not only because they are able to sustain poverty, but because they often have to take from that amount to cover emergencies.”

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