

MAJOR GIFT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR MÉTIS STUDENTS AT CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY OF EDMONTON

GIFT WILL HELP CREATE ENDOWMENT FUND FOR MÉTIS STUDENTS

Edmonton, AB (September 14, 2018) – Today, the Rupertsland Institute and the Métis Education Foundation have announced a significant gift to support Métis student success at Concordia University of Edmonton.



“Today, I am happy to announce and celebrate yet another milestone,” said President of the Métis Nation of Alberta, Audrey Poitras. “The Métis Nation of Alberta and its affiliates, in partnership with Concordia University of Edmonton, have reached an agreement to create a \$500,000 endowment in perpetuity. As part of this agreement, the Métis Nation of Alberta will invest \$250,000 and Concordia University of Edmonton will provide an in-kind contribution totalling \$250,000 over the next 10 years. In making this announcement, I am aware that this contribution on behalf of future generations of Métis citizens could not be possible without the relationships and partnerships that we have created with the Métis community and stakeholders across the province.”

President Tim Loreman is enthusiastic about today’s announcement. “Concordia University of Edmonton is proud to be partnering with the MNA in the area of awards and financial support for Métis students, as well as in other areas that benefit all students at our university. We look forward to a long and productive relationship with MNA, forged in the spirit of reconciliation, that has the potential to generate deeper understandings between and within our communities.”

ABOUT RUPERTSLAND INSTITUTE:

Rupertsland Institute is an affiliate of the Métis Nation of Alberta and holds a triple mandate in education, training and research; offering programs, services and information to Métis people in these areas through a network of offices across Alberta. Rupertsland Institute is committed to funding post-secondary education and supporting the education goals of Métis citizens.

ABOUT CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY OF EDMONTON:

CUE is a boutique university, small enough that every student is essential yet large enough for a global outlook. In and out of our classrooms and lecture halls, we translate what we learn into extraordinary hands-on experiences. We live and work on a small campus, a river valley oasis, but Edmonton is our workshop. Our ultimate goal has not changed since 1921: to be more than students and professors, to create a community of active citizens, of good and honourable people.

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