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MacEwan University proud to host the Dreamcatcher Aboriginal Youth Conference

Edmonton – MacEwan University will host the 21st Dreamcatcher Aboriginal Youth Conference on October 19 and 19. The conference provides a unique opportunity for Aboriginal youth from across Canada to gather and explore educational and career opportunities, celebrate their culture, and develop new friendships.

“Our hope is that Dreamcatcher 2013 will create an awareness of the many educational choices available,” said Sharon Bookhalter, dean, Faculty of Health and Community Studies. “Our faculty offers career opportunities in nursing, policing, social work, or child and youth care,” added Bookhalter.

The first conference, held in 1993, brought together 400 young people. Today, the conference attracts more than 1,200 participants and their escorts, and it is now Canada’s largest Aboriginal youth conference. The delegates are primarily from Western Canada, the Northwest Territories, Nunavut and the Yukon; delegates have also come from Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia.

The Dreamcatcher Aboriginal Youth Conference will be held at MacEwan University’s City Centre Campus:

Friday, October 18 – Noon to 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 19 – 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Founded in 1971, MacEwan University is a comprehensive university offering more than 65 programs including undergraduate degrees, applied degrees, diplomas, certificates, continuing education and corporate training. Its philosophy of inspiring minds, academic excellence, and providing career opportunities continues to be its guide as it serves the educational needs of students across Alberta, Canada and the world.

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