Global Education Fund supports worldwide initiatives

Edmonton – MacEwan University’s Global Education Fund (GEF) will support seven major projects this year. The GEF was initiated in 2001 and supports access to education through funds, training and support of disadvantaged people worldwide. The seven projects will receive a total of $38,233 this year.

The funds will support projects in Malaysia, Ghana, South Africa, Uganda and Nigeria. They include:

- The Rural Health Care Foundation in Uganda to fund a water source for St. Jude Primary School and provide sanitation and hygiene education for the school and the larger community.
- The Amor Village Community Library and Meeting Hall in Uganda to build a community library and meeting hall which will create a space for education, training and cultural events.
- The CEIBA Educational Rabbit Breeding Project for Women in Uganda to provide workshops for women learning to breed and raise rabbits.
- The Family Learning Centre in Ghana to purchase educational supplies, maintain classroom tables, chairs and support staff.
- The Sobi-Alagbado and Abeya Primary Schools and the surrounding community in Nigeria to fund access to clean water.
- The Zisize Centre in Oshabeni, South Africa to complete the building of a grade two classroom.
- The MADIKA Pre-School and Child Development programs in Malaysia.

GEF is a committee of students, staff and faculty who work together to distribute funding for educational projects around the world. These funds come from three main sources: a small fee levied on all students registered in full time courses; an annual fee levied on all faculty members; and an annual donation from the MacEwan Staff Association. Those who wish to receive funding for their project must submit an application to the committee for review.

Founded in 1971, MacEwan University inspires its students with a powerful combination of academic excellence and personal learning experiences. Offering more than 65 programs including undergraduate degrees, applied degrees, diplomas, certificates, continuing education and corporate training, the university provides a transformative education in a creative, collaborative and supportive learning environment where creativity and innovation thrive. Located in Edmonton, Alberta Canada, MacEwan University offers a unique student experience that opens up diverse pathways for achievement and growth.