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Edmonton—On September 24, the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology, the Honourable Doug Horner, signed the Order-in-Council allowing MacEwan to change its formal name from Grant MacEwan College to Grant MacEwan University.

“To have MacEwan named as a university enhances the public perspective on what the institution offers,” said Dr. Paul Byrne, President and CEO at MacEwan. The most significant benefit of the new name will be experienced by our students; whether on a résumé or a graduate school application because of the global recognition associated with the name ‘university’.

MacEwan was established in 1971 and served 400 students the first year; more than 20 years ago MacEwan began offering university transfer programs, where students could complete the first two years of their degree program and then transfer to a university of their choice. MacEwan now offers five undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Child and Youth Care, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Commerce, and a Bachelor of Science.

More than 5000 students are enrolled full-time in MacEwan’s degree programs, representing nearly half the student body.

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