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Agreement Opens New Doors for Learners

Opportunities in post-secondary education for residents of our region have been expanded once again through the collaborative efforts of Grande Prairie Regional College and Grant MacEwan University. The signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the two institutions today is intended to facilitate students seeking to move from transfer programs to degree programs.

Under the umbrella of this agreement, GPRC and MacEwan will work together to develop procedures to assist students with program planning, as well as exploring possibilities for block transfer in appropriate programs. The institutions are looking specifically at programs in Arts, Commerce and Science.

“This agreement opens a new door to the future for our students,” says Don Gnatiuk, GPRC President and CEO. “It is very gratifying to be working with the folks at MacEwan to make this whole new range of options open to our students. It is exciting to think about the possibilities our collaboration may offer in the future.”

The MOU signed today will be in effect for a period of two years, after which time it will be reviewed, and if progress warrants may be renewed or expanded.

“This is another positive step to ensure access to post-secondary education for all Albertans,” said Dr. Paul Byrne, President and CEO of Grant MacEwan University.

Grande Prairie Regional College is proud to serve as a portal to opportunities in higher education for the people of the region, and currently offers collaborative degree completion in nine disciplines with several universities, and has also negotiated block transfer of several diploma programs to related degrees at universities in Alberta and British Columbia.

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