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**President's Report  
to Senate**



**Lakehead  
UNIVERSITY**



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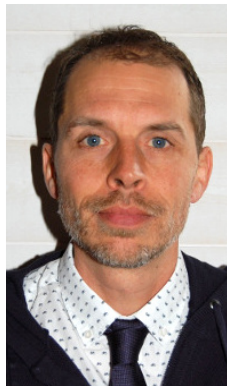
### CASES Renovations and Construction Begin

Work begins, this week, on the single largest construction and renovation contract at our Thunder Bay campus in over 15 years. The project is expected to be completed in April 2018.

The *Centre for Advanced Studies in Engineering and Sciences* (CASES) will be a unique research facility in Northwestern Ontario built to LEED Gold standards. Its goal is to enhance the research, innovation and commercialization infrastructure at Lakehead in order to increase direct and long-term benefits to communities served by our University.



### New Dean of Faculty of Science & Environmental Studies



Following a comprehensive search, Lakehead University has announced the appointment of **Dr. Todd Randall** as our institution's new Dean of the Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies.

His five-year appointment begins on March 1, 2017.

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# Achieving Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Research

## Lakehead Students Win National Accounting Competition

Lakehead University accounting students **Tingting Zhuang, Sarah Dyce, Taylor Goods and Daniel Sabbe** earned first place in the Business and Accounting Student Case Competition and Conference (formerly GAAPS) sponsored jointly by Asper School of Business Accounting Association and Chartered Professional Accountants of Manitoba.

The competition took place from January 26-28, at the Fairmont Hotel, located in the heart of downtown Winnipeg.

Ten teams from across Canada, each comprised of four undergraduate students, participated in the three-day conference, which included an accounting-based case competition, guest speakers and networking events.

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## Enhance Support of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Studies

### Mexican Indigenous Women coming to Learn at Lakehead

Five Mexican Indigenous women from the University of Guadalajara are currently at Lakehead to learn English and participate in Indigenous cultural activities. The students are participating in activities such as traditional smudging ceremonies, making dream catchers and Tikinagans, and learning how to bead. Regional Elders are involved in storytelling and traditional teachings, and have provided exposure to the Ahnisnabae arts and outdoor activities such as snowshoeing. This past weekend the students learned to make Quinsy huts and visited the Art Gallery.

In early March another 10 Indigenous women will arrive from CITNOVA, in the state of Hidalgo, Mexico. Both programs are funded by CONACyT and are helping to fulfill the language entry requirement for masters programs in Mexico.



## Expand our International Reach

### 2016 Canada-Mexico Roundtable at Lakehead University

This June, Lakehead University will host the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Canada-Mexico Roundtable on Indigenous/Aboriginal Higher Education.

Over the last six years, more than a dozen Canadian post-secondary institutions have participated in conferences hosted in Canada and Mexico.

Presidents of the universities in Canada and the Inter-Cultural Universities of Mexico discuss issues relevant to aboriginal/indigenous higher education in their respective nations and work on developing agreements to promote graduate and undergraduate student mobility, joint research, and Aboriginal community partnerships.