

Aboriginal Management Council Report to Senate November 2010

Strategic Planning

The Aboriginal Management Council has formed a sub-committee that will assist with areas related to the Strategic Plan and report back to the AMC on Lakehead University's initiatives related to that Plan particularly those related to non-academic matters such as student satisfaction, support services, accessibility, research, and community involvement.

The Joint SAC/AMC subcommittee of the Senate Academic Committee will become involved in the Aboriginal academic matters related to the Strategic Plan.

NAN Treaty 9 and Treaty 5 Symposium

The Office of Aboriginal Initiatives is planning a partner symposium with NAN and Indian and Northern Affairs to host a two day Treaty 9 and Treaty 5 Symposium at Lakehead University on February 23rd & 24th. The goal of the Symposium is to educate people on the Treaties.

Aboriginal Research Facilitator

The Office of Aboriginal Initiatives has created a position to hire on contract an Aboriginal Research Facilitator. The Aboriginal Research Facilitator will be responsible for:

- Establishing and maintaining a liaison role with Aboriginal community in northwestern Ontario and the Orillia catchment area to assist with the identification of community research needs and to link communities with Lakehead researchers and vice versa.
- Promoting the value of pure and applied research in meeting the challenges faced by the Aboriginal communities the University serves.
- Encouraging the development and growth of Aboriginal research at the University
- Collaborating with individuals/groups across campus to explore opportunities for the advancement of research and scholarly work.

The position has been advertised and will begin as soon as a suitable candidate is found.