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SNC Lavalin CESME Graduate Scholarship

At the 2016 PDAC Alumni & Friends breakfast, Lakehead University and the Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Mining and Exploration (CESME) were proud to announce the establishment of the SNC Lavalin CESME Graduate Scholarship.

Jeffrey Ross, PhD candidate in Forest Sciences and Biology, is investigating the 'Duty to Consult' and what that means to indigenous communities, mining companies and government in the Treaty #3 territory. Jeffrey is currently the Director of Territorial Planning for Grand Council Treaty #3.

Lakehead University is grateful for SNC Lavalin's contribution to CESME.



Dr. Pete Hollings (CESME Director), Stephen Lindley (Vice-President of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs, SNC-Lavalin) and Dr. Brian Stevenson (Lakehead Vice-Chancellor and President)

"In our strong tradition of supporting sustainable mining development and capacity building within the Indigenous community, SNC-Lavalin is proud to be providing 2 years of financial assistance to an Indigenous PhD candidate in Lakehead University's highly regarded CESME program. We wish the candidate and CESME every success in growing the program, and want to thank them for providing us an opportunity to work together by making a small contribution towards strengthening the future of our mining and Indigenous communities."

Stephen Lindley, Vice President, Aboriginal & Northern Affairs, SNC-Lavalin



"Without our donors CESME would not have been able to continue our research into the economic impact of mining in Northern Ontario or support the outstanding students working with our faculty - Thank You"

– Pete Hollings, CESME Director

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2015-2016 CESME ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Publication of the report on “The Mining Industry in Northwestern Ontario: An Analysis of Recent Developments and the Strategy for Success” co-authored by Dr. Karl Skogstad and Dr. Ayman Alahmar, and published by the Northern Policy Institute. The report investigated the fate of a number of mining developments in Northern Ontario in order to identify the key factors that influenced success or failure. The report release received extensive coverage by regional media outlets (January 2016)
- Dr. Pedram Fatehi (Mining, Exploration and Mineral Processing pillar leader) leads an NOHFC Industrial Research Chair in Green Chemicals and Processes with industrial partners including FPIInnovations, Goldcorp and Resolute Forest Products to produce chemicals from waste forestry biomass that will create greener, more cost-effective pulping, mining and oil processes. (February 2016)
- The John R. Craig Memorial CESME Awards intended to support students undertaking research related to First Nations and Métis issues were awarded to two graduate students. PhD student Dan Duckert (Natural Resource Management) with his project “Going Beyond Values Mapping: Giving voice to communities about their relationships in the land and their well-being needs” and MSc student Kristi Dysievick (Biology)
- CESME was co-sponsor of nine CESME Speakers Series, with over 180 people in attendance at the “Free, Prior and Informed Consent: A Local and Global Issue” presentation with Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (October 2016)
- A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between Lakehead University and New Gold to explore potential research programs of mutual interest and benefit, identify potential undergraduate and graduate students for educational on-site training, and identify opportunities for knowledge transfer between communities and the existing mining industry workforce (October 2016)
- CESME established an active collaboration with Dr. Dawn Mills from British Columbia to look at the environmental impacts of mining. This has led to a DFO/MITACS funded project that is supporting MSc student Hannah Britton Foster working with Dr. Peter Lee on a study of “Sediment and Water Quality of the Mamxwen Blind Channel, Squamish BC”. (October 2016)
- CESME hosted a press conference for the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines where Minister Gravelle and Minister Mauro announced Ontario’s Mineral Development Strategy (December 2015)

CESME ADVISORY BOARD

The Advisory Board was established to provide advice and guidance to the Director of the CESME with regards to the overall goals and objectives of the Centre. The service of these individuals is greatly appreciated and we look forward to working with them to strengthen CESME in the coming years.

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John Mason, Project Manager, Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission (Honorary Doctorate from Lakehead University)

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