

# Forward

Sustainability, Comprehensiveness, Research Growth, Diversity



Annual Report 2008-2009



## Mission

Lakehead University, as a comprehensive university, is committed to excellence and innovation in undergraduate and graduate teaching, service, research, and other scholarly activity. As part of this commitment, Lakehead University is dedicated to a student-centred learning environment. Lakehead University values its people and the diversity of their ideas, contributions, and achievements. Lakehead University is dedicated to working with Aboriginal peoples in furthering their educational aspirations. Building on its accomplishments and partnerships and recognizing its role in Northwestern Ontario and Central Ontario, Lakehead University reaches out regionally, nationally, and internationally.

Lakehead University is committed to educating students who will be recognized for leadership and independent critical thinking and who are aware of social and environmental responsibilities.

# Vision

Lakehead University will continue to develop as a comprehensive university committed to excellence in undergraduate and graduate education and research. It will build on its reputation as a welcoming, accessible, and accountable institution known for enabling students at all stages of life to achieve their potential. It will reflect and serve Aboriginal and other diverse cultures, institutions and organizations as it reaches out regionally, nationally, and globally.



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Lakehead University Strategic Planning Committee (l-r) Front Row: Anne Deighton, Fiona Blaikie, Anna Wease, Karen Roche Second Row: Ulf Runesson, Kurt Dahl, Richard Longtin, Fred Gilbert Third Row: Isaam Dawood, Andrew Dean, Jane Crossman Back Row: Beverly Sabourin, Michael Richardson, Grant Walsh, Carlos Christoffersen Missing: Alice den Otter



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Creating a strategic plan requires people to set aside their personal interests and focus on what is best for the organization as a whole. The University committee that worked this past year to prepare the Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013 did just that. As a result, we have a document that will help Lakehead University maintain its momentum and position itself for the immediate future when it welcomes a new President in 2010.

The four pillars of the Strategic Plan – Sustainability of the University, Comprehensiveness of the Academy, Research Growth, and Diversity – are built upon many practices already in place, and will ensure that the institution takes advantage of opportunities to come.

This year marks the graduation of the Charter Class of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to all those who helped celebrate this and other important milestones this year, and thank those who continue to realize their potential through their association with Lakehead University.



Frederick F. Gilbert, PhD President and Vice-Chancellor Lakehead University

# Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013

When Dr. Fred Gilbert steps down in 2010 after almost 12 years of service as President and Vice-Chancellor of Lakehead University, the institution will have a plan that embodies a renewed vision for the future.

The Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013 was developed this year at the request of the Board of Governors to provide continuity between the existing administration and the new administration. It sets out four interrelated strategic directions which Lakehead University must focus on: (1) Sustainability of the University (2) Comprehensiveness of the Academy (3) Research Growth and (4) Diversity.

Within each of these four strategic directions there are objectives and targets along with rationales and expectations. President Gilbert notes that this strategic plan sets out clear objectives and does so in a way that is more encompassing than previous strategic plans. In essence, it is a plan that shows that Lakehead University, learning from its past, better understands its direction and sets the guideposts to achieve its ends.

Strategic planning is an evolutionary process. The *Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013* is built on two earlier strategic plans, and includes many ideas contained in *Academic Plan 2006* and *Momentum for Future Prosperity: Lakehead University's Strategic Research Plan* 2007-2012.

Ultimately, *Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013* provides continuity between administrations. It will be a valuable guiding document for the next President, the Board of Governors, the Senate, and the University community.

### SUSTAINABILITY OF THE UNIVERSITY

The key to realizing financial sustainability of the University is to achieve greater efficiencies without jeopardizing academic integrity. *Lakehead University Strategic Plan* 2010-2013 identifies many ideas for change – on both the academic and administrative sides of the campus.

Objective: Recognizing that Lakehead University needs to increase student numbers at both campuses, it is recommended that the enrolment target based on head count in the fall/ winter term for 2010 be 8,500 students (1,100 of these at the Orillia Campus) and for 2013 be 9,000 students (1,500 of these at the Orillia Campus). Furthermore, 10% of the students on the Thunder Bay Campus would be at the graduate level. Such an enrolment increase should not be at the expense of academic standards.

One idea to achieve financial sustainability is the consolidation of courses and the reduction of course offerings with low enrolment. Another is the renaming or repackaging of courses and programs.

How Lakehead moves forward beginning in 2010 will be decided, in large part, by Deans' Council – a committee chaired by the Vice-President (Academic) and Provost, and comprising the Deans of each of Lakehead's nine Faculties, the Dean of the Orillia Campus, as well as the University Librarian, the Vice-Provost (Aboriginal Initiatives), and the Vice-Provost (Student Affairs).

The process of rationalizing its academic offerings gives Lakehead University the opportunity to enrich and enhance the comprehensiveness of its academy. While some may balk at the idea of changing old familiar ways, rationalization will allow Lakehead to be more strategic in the deployment of its teaching resources without jeopardizing academic quality.

### COMPREHENSIVENESS OF THE ACADEMY

The word "comprehensiveness" in the context of *Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013* refers to the depth and breadth of academic programming at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and the delivery of that programming in a variety of ways, including distributed learning (distance education).

Key objectives pertaining to Lakehead University – Orillia Campus illustrate the particular ways in which sustainability is linked to comprehensiveness in the *Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013*:

*Objective: Programs offered at both Lakehead University campuses will be developed to complement and enhance one another.* 

Objective: Academic planning and implementation at Lakehead University will require collaboration among relevant academic units, committees, and administrative offices at both campuses.

Objective: Students on both campuses and at a distance will be exposed to the rich resources available at both campuses and via CEDL (Continuing Education and Distributed Learning).

Objective: Lakehead University, building on existing international relationships and alumni/ae relations, will seek out structured programming for student and faculty exchanges, collaborative research/outreach and joint development of academic courses with a global focus.

Not only will the Orillia Campus enable Lakehead University to increase its enrolment and therefore become more economically viable, it will give Lakehead the opportunity to develop new courses and programs, and experiment with new ways of offering them.



### **Champions of Environmental Sustainability**

Alex Boulet is working to enhance the culture of sustainability and environmental consciousness on campus. As the Lakehead University Student Union's first fulltime Sustainability Commissioner, he is building on a number of "green" initiatives that have been implemented by his peers – initiatives such as carpooling, community gardening, composting, and drinking tap water instead of bottled water. This year, for example, Boulet has been collaborating with University staff to ensure that student orientation events are organized in an environmentally friendly way.

Grant Walsh is Executive Director, University Services, and Chair of the Lakehead University Sustainability Committee, comprising representatives from students and faculty as well as staff in Physical Plant, Residence, Communications, Food Services, Bookstore, and Printing and Mail Services. "The challenge," says Walsh, "is to make our operations more sustainable within the constraints of a limited budget."

"Sometimes it's the little things that make a real difference," he says, "Cutting back on air conditioning during the summer months. Installing more drinking fountains to reduce the need for bottled water. Ensuring that every photocopier on campus is equipped to use 100% recycled paper. And diverting e-waste to a company certified by the Ontario Electronics Stewardship Program as a collector and consolidator of electronic waste and electronic equipment."

As a signatory to the Talloires Declaration, Lakehead University is committed to being a world leader among universities in developing, creating, supporting, and maintaining sustainability.

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Architects Moriyama & Teshima designed the first academic building at the Lakehead University – Orillia Campus to meet the LEED Platinum standard for sustainability.

#### Bottom:

Lakehead is expanding the number of distributed learning course offerings, recognizing that courses offered online, by videoconferencing, and media streaming appeal to students who are place-bound as well as those who want extra time or a more convenient time to take courses.

The expectation that Lakehead will continue its journey toward becoming a more sustainable university within a comprehensive academy is based on the recognition that many successful initiatives have already been undertaken. Lakehead University is building a LEED Platinum energyefficient campus in Orillia set to open in September 2010. Renewals to the Thunder Bay Campus have resulted in dramatic reductions in energy use, energy cost, and greenhouse gas emissions. And there are other student-driven "green" initiatives under way that encourage the campus community to reduce, reuse, and recycle.

Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013 sets out clear objectives in other areas relating to sustainability: improving recruitment, retention, and student satisfaction levels; developing a functioning program to enhance student awareness of, and involvement in, the activities of the Lakehead University Alumni Association; implementing dynamic, modern, and measurable communication strategies to market the University to students and potential donors; and educating faculty on technology transfer opportunities.

All in all, Lakehead is committed to developing academic and administrative budgets that are fiscally balanced. In the final analysis, the growth imperative that pervades the *Lakehead University Strategic Plan* 2010-2013 centres around making Lakehead University more attractive, raising its profile, and ensuring that students are satisfied with the education they receive.

#### **RESEARCH GROWTH**

Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013 incorporates Lakehead University's goal of becoming one of the top 25 research-intensive universities in Canada in the next 5 to 10 years. Many significant achievements this year, including the launch of the Biorefining Research Initiative and the allocation of two new Tier 1 Canada Research Chairs (one of which has been split into two Tier 2 Chairs), show that Lakehead is on the right track.

#### Objective: By 2013, Lakehead University will increase its overall research funding level with a target of \$24M.

In November 2008, Research Infosource Inc. announced that Lakehead had placed third in the University Income Growth 2002-2007 category, and 30th in Canada's Top 50 Research Universities in 2008, up from 33rd place in 2007. Moreover, the report issued by Research Infosource indicated that Lakehead University's sponsored research income over the past five years had increased by an enviable 107%. This is an excellent accomplishment by any standard and shows that Lakehead's strategic objective of increasing its overall research funding level by one third by 2013 is fully achievable.

In a fiscally challenged environment, universities must declare areas of research focus in order to increase research capacity and compete nationally for funds from programs supported by the Tri-Councils and the Canada Foundation for Innovation. Lakehead University has identified seven strategic research areas of advantage and strength: (1) Aboriginal Studies (2) Advanced Technology Systems (3) Biotechnology and Material Science (4) Culture and Society (5) Environmental and Resource-based Development, Education, and Policy (6) Health Research Across the Life Span, and (7) Northern Studies.

Going forward, Lakehead will continue to ensure that the recruitment of new faculty members emphasizes the candidate's research potential and excellence, in addition to their teaching competence, in consideration of Lakehead's strategic research priorities.

#### DIVERSITY

Diversity is the most challenging of the four strategic directions identified in the Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013 because it demands that Lakehead ask not only what it needs to do to enhance the cultural diversity of its community, but also what it should be doing. All segments of the University community must be committed to, engaged in, and evaluated on the initiatives and measures they take to make Lakehead University a more diverse place.

Objective: Lakehead University will establish a "Culture Across the Curriculum" initiative that encourages faculty to introduce where appropriate course materials related to cultural frameworks, theories, and understanding.

Lakehead's diverse faculty and its Aboriginal, domestic, and international students are a source of human excellence, cultural enrichment, and social strength. There is always more that can be done to promote awareness, understanding, and respect for diverse cultures. Targeted recruitment and cultural support programs, innovation in the development of culturally sensitive and appropriate curricula, and expanded global interaction are some examples.

Expectation: Lakehead University will implement the requirement that all students prior to graduating from Lakehead University take one course from an offering of several courses across the curriculum on awareness and understanding of diverse cultures, with a strong emphasis on Aboriginal interests. This requirement would be implemented by September 2012. The Senate academic committees will determine the criteria for such a course and the Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee will evaluate which courses meet these criteria.

Lakehead University has the expertise to become a vital player in the international development area. Engaging globally requires a dedicated effort to reach measurable results with respect to student recruitment, collaborative research, faculty and student exchanges as well as larger format development programming with a direct focus on the United Nations Millennium Development Goals activities. Lakehead is committed to developing and enhancing its students' international cultural experiences, growth, and understanding, as part of enabling students to reach their full potential and to be responsible global citizens.



### Academic Programs to Meet 21st Century Needs

The proposal to create a Faculty of Law at Lakehead University with a focus on access to justice in northern and rural communities, natural resources law, and Aboriginal law is under continuing consideration.

The new law school would redress declining participation in sole and small firm practices, enhance access to a legal education by northern Ontario students, and address legal issues arising from the resource-based northern Ontario economy.

Stan Beardy, Grand Chief of the Nishnawbe Aski Nation, believes that having a law school at Lakehead University will make it possible for Aboriginal people to acquire the skills needed to be significant players in the future development of the region's natural resources, such as tourism, mining, forestry, hydroelectricity, and water.

"Ontario must invest in legal education now so that future development in this region will be successful," he says. "If Aboriginal people cannot participate and have meaningful employment in the new economy, it will have a negative impact on all sectors."

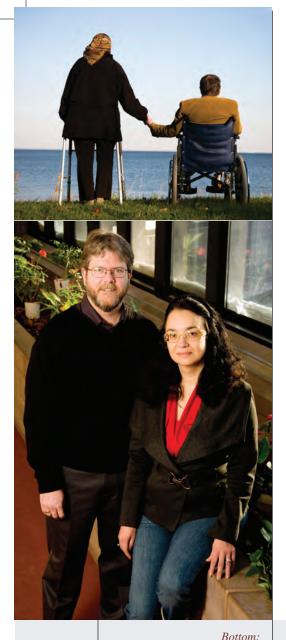
Tim Pile, Secretary-Treasurer of The Métis Nation of Ontario and a member of the Lakehead University Board of Governors, believes that developing a law school will further enhance the comprehensive nature of Lakehead University. For him, the issue is social accountability. "It is important that lawyers working with First Nation, Métis, and Inuit people have a good understanding of Aboriginal history and culture," says Pile.

#### Top:

Danielle Eras and Kartar Kalsi both graduated in May 2009 with an Honours Bachelor of Science degree majoring in Biology.

#### Bottom:

For the first time, a Lakehead team competes at the Formula SAE® Student Competition at the Michigan International Speedway, places 43rd out of 120 teams, and wins the Rookie of the Year Award.





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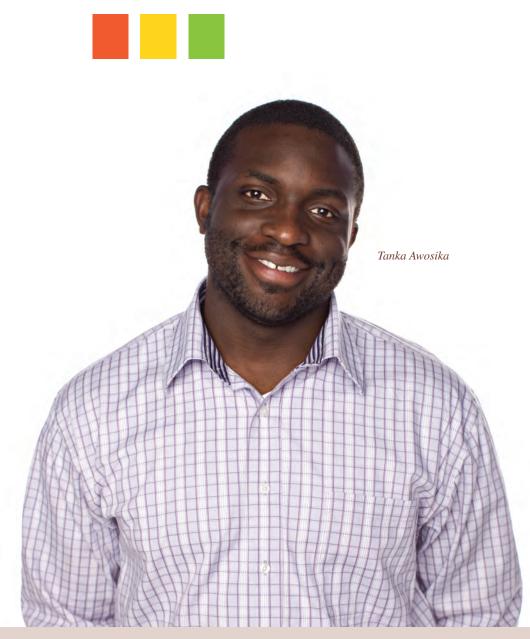
### **Research Focus on Areas of Strength**

The Centre for Education and Research on Aging and Health (CERAH) is one of several research centres at Lakehead University that is increasing its productivity.

Research funding for CERAH has more than tripled in the past two years, culminating with an award this year of close to \$1M from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada for a Community-University Research Alliance (CURA) project entitled *Improving Quality of Life for People Dying in Long-Term Care Homes*.

Immediate past CERAH Director and current lead researcher on the project, Dr. Mary Lou Kelley, says the main aim of this research is to create a community-university research alliance that will improve the quality of life for those living in long-term care. The research is being done in partnership with St. Joseph's Care Group in Thunder Bay and 30 organizations across Canada. "Residents of long-term care homes represent one of society's most frail and marginalized populations," she says. "Much can be done to support them and their families when they face end-of-life issues."

Palliative care is a new and specialized program of care for the patient and family that encompasses disease management; pain and symptom management; psychological, social, and spiritual needs; end-of-life care and planning; and dealing with mourning, loss, and grief. Kelley values the strong community partnerships that exist throughout Northwestern Ontario, as well as the outstanding team of students, staff, and researchers based at Lakehead.



### **Different Perspectives Foster Global View**

The first point of contact for any international student coming to Lakehead is Tanka Awosika. As a Lakehead University graduate and now the institution's International Student Advisor, each year he helps approximately 130 international students from over 40 different countries settle in Thunder Bay.

Having been an international student in Canada himself for nine years, Awosika understands well the many challenges that Lakehead international students face. From his vantage point, he would like to see more opportunities for members of the academic community to enhance their intercultural awareness.

His first chance to influence change came several years ago when an instructor in the Faculty of Education asked him to speak with student teachers in their professional year. Awosika's approach was to fashion a workshop that included time for him to share his experiences as an international student in Toronto and Thunder Bay. Since then, he has given close to 20 workshops, mostly to undergraduate students, student ambassadors, residence assistants, and the staff in Human Resources, and Admissions and Recruitment.

"I try to increase awareness of our differences as they pertain to culture within the University," he says. "Sometimes these differences are visible – such as accent, vocabulary, clothes, and skin color – but often these cultural differences are invisible. They are attitudes, values, and beliefs – all the things that lie beneath the surface."



#### Bottom:

The Protector, a painting by Woodlands artist Norval Morrisseau, hangs in the Advanced Technology and Academic Centre as a symbol of Lakehead's commitment to diversity.

# Year In Review

#### **University Governance**

An international search is launched to find a new President and Vice-Chancellor of Lakehead University to take office in 2010. As well, the University begins searching for a Chancellor to succeed Dr. Lorne Everett, who has admirably represented Lakehead for the last nine years.

#### **Convocation 2009**

Lakehead University honorary degrees are awarded to Richard Stallman, free software advocate, Dr. John Evans, medical, research, and business leader, and Gwynne Dyer, journalist and filmmaker. Dr. John Augustine and Dr. John Whitfield, both community leaders, are made Fellows of Lakehead University.

The Young Alumni Award is presented to Terry Robinson, athlete, community leader, and human resources professional. Alumni Honour Awards are presented to Dr. Thomas Ryan, professor, teacher, and athlete, and Poh Lam Tan, business leader.

Lloyd Dennis, co-author of the Hall-Dennis report on the future of education in Ontario, published in 1968, receives the Lakehead University – Orillia Campus Civitas Award.

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine Charter Class graduates.

#### **Recognizing Excellence**

Dr. Bruce Strang (History) receives the 2008 Lakehead University Distinguished Instructor Award. Lakehead University Contribution to Teaching Awards are presented to Dr. Adam Van Tuyl (Mathematical Sciences), Dr. Bruce Strang (History), Dr. Randle Nelsen (Sociology), Dr. Lisa Korteweg (Education), Dr. Timothy Hardie (Business Administration), and Dr. Jason Blahuta (Philosophy). Dr. Abdelhamid Tayebi (Electrical Engineering) and Dr. Syed S. Islam (Political Science) receive 2008 Lakehead University Distinguished Researcher Awards. Lakehead University Contribution to Research Awards are presented to Dr. Anna Guttman (English) and Dr. Charles Xu (Chemical Engineering).

Marie Ferguson, Administrative Assistant, Physical Plant, receives the 2009 Lakehead University Award to Staff for Outstanding Performance and/or Contributions.

#### **Research and Innovation**

Lakehead's Biorefining Research Initiative (BRI) is officially launched with the appointment of Dr. Robert Dekker, Founding Director and Senior Ontario Research Chair in Biorefining Research. He is working with Dr. Wensheng Qin, Ontario Research Chair in Biorefining Research, and Dr. Wely Floriano, Shared Hierarchical Academic Research Computing Network (SHARCNET)/ Molecular Medicine Research Centre (MMRC) Biorefining Research Chair. The mandate of BRI is biorefining process development (biological and chemical) that transforms forestderived biomass into value-added bioproducts leading to new opportunities for the bioeconomy.

Research Infosource Inc. announces that in 2008 Lakehead places third in the University Income Growth 2002-2007 category, and 30th among Canada's Top 50 Research Universities, based on total sponsored research income as well as research output and impact measures.

Dr. Chad Gaffield, President of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) takes part in the opening ceremonies of Research and Innovation Week, an annual event



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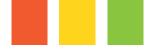
held in February to celebrate research excellence. SSHRC research grants totalling more than \$2.4M over three years are awarded to Lakehead in 2008-2009 competitions, almost triple the funding received in previous years. New Discovery Grants awarded from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) total more than \$1.0M over five years in diverse areas of study including forestry, food pathogens, and wireless communications.

Two Canada Research Chairs (CRCs) are appointed: Dr. Alla Reznik, Canada Research Chair in the Physics of Molecular Imaging, and Dr. Gregory Pyle, Canada Research Chair in Environmental Biotechnology and Ecotoxicology. With the additional allocation of CRCs in 2008, there will be a total of 11 CRCs at Lakehead.

An international research team headed by Dr. Rui Wang, Vice-President (Research), publishes research on the effects of hydrogen sulphide on blood pressure in *Science*.

#### New Graduate Program

A new Master of Business Administration program (MBA) is launched for start-up in 2009-2010.



#### **Recruitment Initiative**

Lakehead offers free tuition for Canadian students with a 95% average coming from a recognized Canadian high school.

#### **Alumni Services**

Lakehead appoints Richard Longtin as Manager of Alumni Relations and the Lakehead University Alumni Association establishes an Alumni Chapter in the Greater Toronto Area.

#### **Campus Construction**

Moriyama & Teshima, a renowned planning, architecture, and landscape architecture company, is chosen to design the first academic building at Lakehead University – Orillia Campus to open in 2010. The campus will be the first in North America to meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum standards.

The historic Port Arthur Collegiate Institute building in Thunder Bay is purchased from the Lakehead District School Board and a public celebration is held in September 2008.

A fire damages the East Wing of the Braun Building on the Lakehead University – Thunder Bay Campus, displacing several departments and laboratories. Plans are under way to rebuild.

Part of the C.J. Sanders Fieldhouse closes for renovations to the pool, change rooms, and entranceway and re-opens in early June.

#### Athletics

Lakehead's women's Nordic ski team wins its sixth consecutive Canadian Colleges and Universities national championships.

Lakehead hosts the Canadian Interuniversity Sports (CIS) 2009 University Cup Men's Hockey Championships in Thunder Bay and will host the event again in 2010. Huy Nguyen (Wrestling) and Tasia McKenna (Basketball) are named Lakehead University Athletes of the Year.

Joel Scherban, former Captain of the Lakehead Thunderwolves Men's Hockey Team, is appointed Head Coach of the Men's Hockey Team.

#### **Aboriginal Initiatives**

Working in conjunction with Confederation College's Negahneewin College of Academic and Community Development, Lakehead hosts a public talk by author John Ralston Saul and sponsors an Artist-in-Residence program featuring playwright Tomson Highway.

A concerted effort is placed on promotion and advertising activities in an effort to reach out and attract Aboriginal students to Lakehead, and in particular the Orillia Campus. This involves increasing advertising, hiring Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer Brendan Johnson to visit First Nations and other Aboriginal communities in southern Ontario, and developing a promotional video, *Follow Your Dreams*, and an Aboriginal Initiatives booklet.

#### Conferences

International delegates participate in Leveraging Learning for Regional Development: An International Forum, Learning Cities and Regions, organized by the Faculty of Education's Department of Lifelong Learning, under Chair Dr. Seth Agbo, in collaboration with Confederation College.

Lakehead University's Centre for Northern Studies and Dr. Douglas Morris, Lakehead University Research Chair in Northern Studies, commemorate the International Polar Year and "Darwin Year" celebrations, with a two-day *National Symposium on the Ecological and Evolutionary Implications of Climate Change*. The Symposium features scholars and graduate students from seven Canadian universities and includes plenary lectures, posters, and an open public forum.

#### **Campus and Community Events**

Lakehead celebrates its diverse community during International Days, a week-long program of activities celebrating culture.

Lakehead University – Orillia Campus is featured during *Lakehead Celebrates*, the annual fall fundraising event in support of student scholarships, sponsored by Bell.

Lakehead's Vocal Ensemble joins Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra and Thunder Bay Symphony Chorus for a performance of *Carmina Burana* at the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium. Lakehead's Opera Studio performs excerpts from Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro* and *Cosi fan tutte* in the Bora Laskin Auditorium.

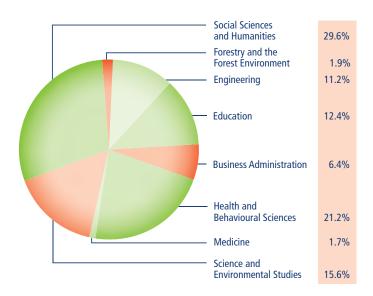
Numerous public lectures are held in Orillia and Thunder Bay including talks by Dr. Kevin Danaher, Executive Director of the Global Citizen Center, on Building the Green Economy; Pat Patton, Director of Aboriginal Relations at the Nuclear Waste Management Organization, and Sean Russell, Acting Vice-President of APM Technology, on Long-Term Management of Canada's Used Nuclear Fuel; and Dr. Mark Kingwell, University of Toronto Philosophy Professor, on Concrete Reveries: Consciousness and the City, sponsored by Lakehead's Advanced Institute for Globalization + Culture (aig+c).

Lakehead students initiated the first *Take Back the Night* march and rally in Orillia to end sexual assault, domestic violence, and other forms of sexual violence. In addition, students partnered with the Alzheimer Society to stage a Manulife *Walk for Memories* in Orillia, raising over \$6,000 to fund local programs and services for people living with dementia, and their families.

### Facts & Figures

#### **Full-Time Undergraduate Enrolment**

2008-2009 by Faculty



#### Enrolment

2008-2009

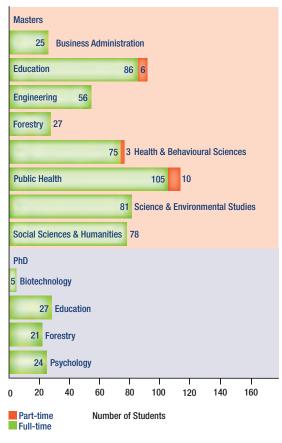
Thunder Bay Campus Full-time undergraduate Part-time undergraduate Full-time graduate Part-time graduate	<b>7,327</b> 5,452 1,246 610 19	
Orillia Campus Full-time undergraduate Part-time undergraduate	<b>441</b> 391 50	
Total Enrolment	7,768	

#### Degrees, Diplomas & Certificates Awarded 2008 Calendar Year

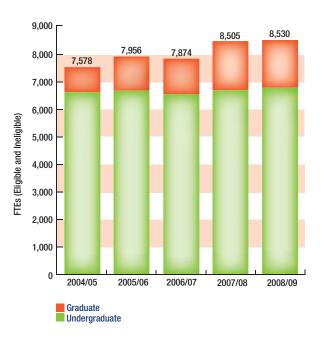
Certificates	36
Diplomas	51
Bachelors	2,051
Masters	194
Doctorates	6
Total	2,338

#### **Graduate Enrolment**

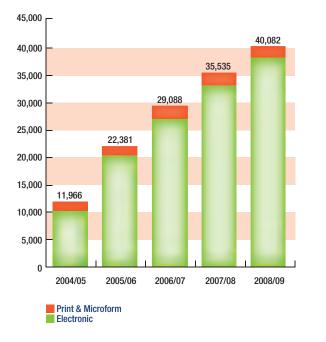




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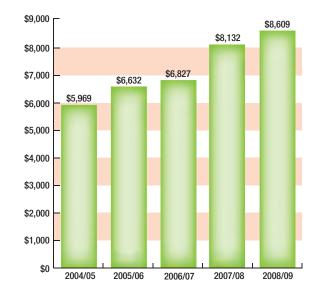






#### Access to Library Serial Titles

Scholarships, Bursaries, & Awards in thousands of dollars

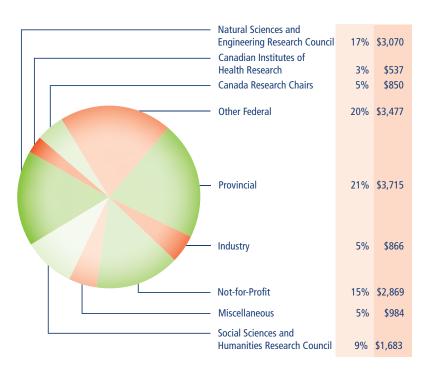


Research Grants & Contracts

in thousands of dollars



### Sources of Research Funding 2008-2009 in thousands of dollars



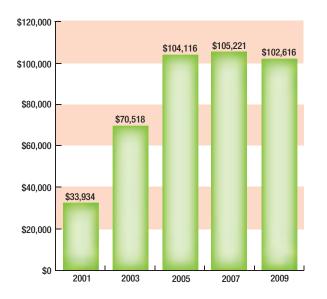
# **Financial Statements**

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#### **BALANCE SHEET**

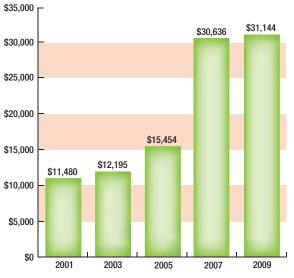
April 30 (in thousands of dollars)	2009	2008
Assets Cash Accounts receivable Inventories and prepaid expenses Long-term investments Deferred charge Capital assets	\$ 30,840 7,684 773 74,442 4,273 102,616	\$ 31,609 6,364 749 84,279 4,390 97,941
	\$ 220,628	\$225,332
Liabilities Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued charges	\$ 12,909 478	\$    9,560 979
Faculty early retirement program costs Deferred revenue Deferred capital contributions Long-term debt	478 19,412 33,480 102,390	17,583 35,859 103,410
	168,669	167,391
Net assets Internally restricted Endowments Unrestricted	27,151 31,144 (6,336)	26,412 32,119 (590)
	51,959	57,941
	\$ 220,628	\$225,332

### Capital Assets in thousands of dollars



#### Endowments\*

in thousands of dollars



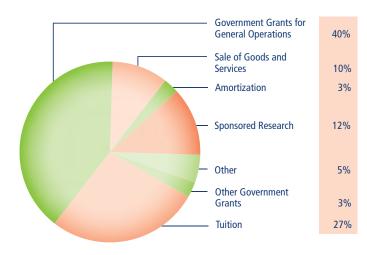
\*Externally Restricted Donations



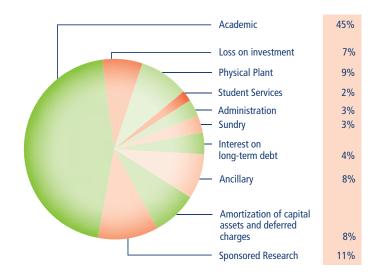
#### STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES

For the year ended April 30 (in thousands of dollars)	2009	2008
Revenue		
Government grants for general operations	\$ 58,379	\$ 56,592
Government and other grants for restricted purposes	19,651	14,301
Student fees	40,034	37,618
Sales of goods and services	14,686	14,903
Investment (loss) income	(10,190)	1,086
Donations	5,780	959
Contract research	1,452	1,568
Sundry	1,882	2,117
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	4,103	6,326
	135,777	135,470
Expenses		
Salaries and benefits	83,945	77,231
Operational supplies and expenses	5,586	5,825
Cost of sales and services	6,234	6,427
Amortization of capital assets	11,397	14,211
Amortization of deferred charges	117	117
Building and equipment maintenance	7,838	6,270
Municipal taxes	544	527
Scholarships, bursaries and awards	8,609	8,132
Utilities	3,525	3,498
Travel	3,106	2,724
Other	4,254	3,905
Interest on long term debt	5,616	5,743
	140,771	134,610
Excess of (expenses over revenue) revenue over expenses for the year	\$ (4,994)	\$ 860

#### Revenue



#### Expenses



# Leadership

as of August 1, 2009

#### CHANCELLOR Lorne Everett

#### BOARD OF GOVERNORS 2008-2009

**Chair** Kevin Cleghorn

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# Faculty & Student Achievements

Dr. Bharat Man Shrestha is awarded a two-year Ontario Postdoctoral Fellowship worth \$50,000 per year (\$25,000 per year from the Ministry of Research and Innovation plus \$25,000 per year in matching funds) in order to conduct research on the effect of forest management on soil respiration. Dr. Bharat is working with Dr. Han Chen (Forestry and the Forest Environment).

**Dr. Josephine Tan** (Psychology) receives the Canadian Council of Professional Psychology Programs' Award for Excellence in Professional Training (Academic).

**Dr. Aicheng Chen** (Chemistry) receives the Fred Beamish Award from Canadian Society for Chemistry.

**Dr. Peter Hollings** (Geology) is recognized by the City of Thunder Bay as a Citizen of Exceptional Achievement.

**Professors Karen Poole** and **Pat Sevean** (Nursing) receive the 2008 Teaching Innovation Award from the Council of Ontario University Programs in Nursing. A film by Canada Research Chair **Dr. Judy Iseke-Barnes** entitled *A Living History of Métis Families, as Told by Dorothy Chartrand* premieres as part of Research and Innovation Week 2009.

**Dr. Ajay Machha**, a cardiovascular pharmacologist working with Dr. Rui Wang at Lakehead's Cardiovascular Research Centre, receives a postdoctoral fellowship from the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.

**Dr. Douglas Thom** (Education) is named International Patron of the National Youth Award Scheme of Sierra Leone, Africa, for his philanthropic work with the Global Conscience Circle (GCC)/Cercle de la Conscience Globale (CCG).

**Dr. Han Chen** (Forestry and the Forest Environment) receives an Early Researcher Award from the Ministry of Research and Innovation.

**Robert Animikii Horton**, a Master's student in Sociology, receives a 2008 National Aboriginal Role Model Award from the National Aboriginal Health Organization.

Biology student **Sean Bryan** receives a Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario graduate scholarship valued at \$18,000 per year for two years to investigate the role of hydrogen sulphide in cardiac redox regulation and inflammation.

Education students **Colleen Bator**, **Alesha Breckenridge**, and **Fiona Street** share a \$25,000 prize for their Guided Eco Tours Toronto proposal, a winning entry in TD Canada Trust's second annual Go Green Challenge contest.

The Canadian Society for Chemical Engineers (CSChE) gives the "Highest Award" of the Student Chapter Merit Award 2008 to Lakehead University's CSChE Student Chapter.

Luc Cousineau, Michael Mason, and Brent Moyer each receive a Canadian Millennium Scholarship In-Course Excellence Award valued at \$5,000, renewable for one year. Jazmyn Balfour-Boehm, Robert Buchkowski, Kaylie Lundgren, Mario Nucci, and Katie Robinson are awarded Millennium Entrance Awards valued between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

Lakehead's High Output and Publication Excellence (HOPE) Awards, given annually to three graduate students, are presented to Joe Vrbanek (MSc Engineering), Zhiyou Yuan (PhD Forest Sciences), and Rebecca Barnes (MSc Biology).

Concurrent Education student **Dave Grad** receives an undergraduate student leadership award from the National Orientation Directors Association, an international organization working for orientation, transition, and retention of university and college students.

Lakehead Civil Engineering students place first at the Mid-West Regional Competition and third overall at the Annual AISC/ASCE U.S. National Student Steel Bridge Competition hosted by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.



*Zhiyou Yuan (PhD Forest Sciences) is presented with a High Output and Publication Excellence Award by Jane Crossman, Acting Dean of Graduate Studies* 

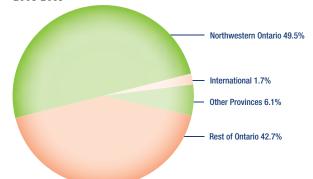


# Lakehead Facts

Established:	July 1, 1965
Total Enrolment:	7,768 including 6,453 full-time graduate and undergraduate students
Full-time Faculty:	317
Employees:	2,250 including approximately 700 full-time positions
Alumni:	45,104
Faculties:	Business Administration Education Engineering Forestry and the Forest Environment Graduate Studies Health and Behavioural Sciences Medicine (Northern Ontario School of Medicine, West Campus) Science and Environmental Studies Social Sciences and Humanities
Economic Impact of Lakehead University:	\$301.3M on the City of Thunder Bay in fiscal 2008-2009 \$9.2M on the City of Orillia in fiscal 2008-2009
Graduate Employment Rate:	Two years after graduation in 2006, 96.9% of Lakehead graduates were employed compared to 95.7% for the Ontario system overall
Undergraduate Graduation Rate:	Of the year one undergraduate students in bachelors or first professional degree programs entering the University in 2000, 81.9% completed a degree by 2007 compared with 78.3% for the Ontario system overall.

# Geographic Origin of Students

2008-2009



# **Residence Accommodation**

Number of Beds 2008-2009: 1,196

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