



CIRCLE NEWS

ASC WELCOMES NEW STAFF



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JOIN THE ASC GROUP

DEBORAH YOUNG

In July, Deborah Young joined the University of Manitoba as the Executive Lead for Indigenous Achievement.

Deborah is a graduate of the University of Manitoba and holds a Bachelor of Social Work and Masters of Social Work in Policy, Administration and Evaluation. She also has a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of Winnipeg.

Deborah has dedicated both

her professional and academic life working with and for Aboriginal peoples of Canada. After six years as a Policy Advisor at the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, Deborah joined the Public Service of Canada in 1997 where she worked on a number of key federal policy and program initiatives.

One of Deborah's major accomplishments was her role in the overall planning and coordination of the

Prime Minister's historic Statement of Apology to former students of Indian Residential Schools on June 11, 2008. In her short time working at the University of Manitoba Deborah has accomplished getting official approval for the name change of the building Aboriginal House to Migizii Agamik.

A Big Welcome from ASC.



FLORENCE PAYNTER

Florence is a well known Anishnaabe Elder in the Winnipeg community and is originally from Sandy Bay where she attended residential school. Florence obtained a teaching degree from Brandon University and worked in the department of Education in the area of Aboriginal languages. She also worked at Manitoba First Nations Resource Centre (MFNERC) and All Nations where she worked with people going through the residential school process. Florence is returning to ASC Wednesdays from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Please help us welcome her back.



DIEDRE DESMARAIS

The Aboriginal Student Centre would like to welcome Diedre Desmarais as Area Director for the Access / Aboriginal Focus Programs. Diedre was a lecturer at the University of Regina, in Indigenous Studies, Political Science, and Women and

Gender Studies. Her experience includes 20 years of teaching university courses as well as 14 years as a senior university administrator. Diedre's research interests include Canadian politics, colonialism, Indigenous identity, Indigenous and

Métis rights, and the politics of health in relation to Aboriginal peoples. Despite the fact Diedre is a Roughriders fan (go Bombers go!!) students and staff at Migizii Agamik look forward to getting to know and work with her.



U of M Work Study Program

- Are you a full time student with a government student loan of at least \$2000.00 or have Aboriginal sponsorship for 2011-2012?
- Do you want a part-time job on campus that will also allow you to excel in your studies?

If so Then we have a program for you!

Please refer to the financial aid and awards website for further information.

Jobs at ASC are available.

http://umanitoba.ca/student/fin_awards/1464.htm

Here are some "short-cuts" to a selection of great resources for writing and studying available on the University of Manitoba website.

'Old Exam' Archive:

<http://www.umanitoba.ca/student/exams/>

Writing Resources (Learning Assistance Centre):

<http://www.umanitoba.ca/student/u1/lac/handouts/handouts.html>

Help with certain disciplines:

http://www.umanitoba.ca/student/u1/lac/links/UM_resources.html (



"Promoting Aboriginal Community Together"



A program for University 1 Aboriginal students

PACT is a program for Aboriginal students who wish to meet other Aboriginal students throughout the year as a way to develop a student support system and build student leadership skills.

Working in partnership with the Aboriginal Student Centre, students will be offered the opportunity to have a mentor as well as attend monthly meetings in order to develop a supportive student community.

Students interested in becoming a mentor can build on their leadership skills, which can assist with resumes and scholarship applications!

"PACT is a phenomenal program that empowers first-year students to gain the skills required to succeed at university and creates beneficial and lasting social supports."

- Lindsay Bristow, Faculty of Arts, Mentor

For more information about the program or an application form, please contact:

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Make an imPACT!



Membership is **free** and forms are available at the front desk of Aboriginal Student Centre. Members enjoy access to the student lounge, computer lab, and kitchen outside of regular office hours. Membership is open to everyone so get your friends to join too! All previous members must come in renew your membership at the front desk of Migizii Agamik.

House Rules

This is your place so treat it with respect and clean up after yourself

No food or drinks in the computer lab

Keep kitchen/bathrooms clean

The computer lab is a designated quiet space so please keep your voice down

Have fun while your here



Learning Assistance Centre (LAC)

Aboriginal Student Centre secured free tutoring in Migizii Agamik for Circle members. Dates and times will be posted soon.

If you are interested in improving your writing, note-taking, time management, and exam study skills consider attending the Learning Assistance Centre workshops.

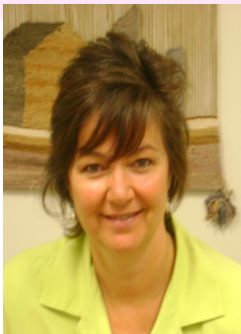
Workshops are scheduled throughout the Fall and Winter Terms. Writing tutors are also available. You can either make an appointment or contact a writing tutor online. Workshops and appointments with tutors are **free** for University of Manitoba students (students are limited to two appointments per week).

The LAC is open to students at 201 Tier. Office hours are from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday. To make an appointment, call (204) 480-1481 or drop in at 201 Tier or you can do online booking at the following website.

<http://umanitoba.ca/student/u1/lac/>



Dr. Kathryn Ritchot is our in-house psychologist and is available here on Thursdays



Kathryn is Métis from Winnipeg. She is also a psychologist at the Student Counseling and Career Centre and will be available at the Aboriginal Student Centre every Thursday from 9:00am-3:00pm. You can make an appointment at the front desk or by calling 474-8850.

I met a man in the elevator who was drinking coffee and complaining how coffee made him nervous. I said why don't you quit drinking coffee. He said, "because if I didn't have the shakes I wouldn't get any exercise at all."

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

Garry Robson

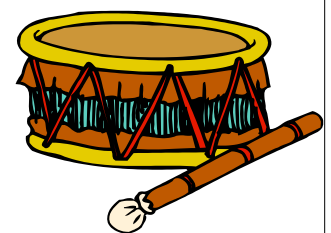
Our Elder in Residence is returning for another year so please help welcome him back.

Garry is available Mondays & Tuesdays from 8:30am - 4:30pm

You can book appointments at the front desk of Migizii Agamik.



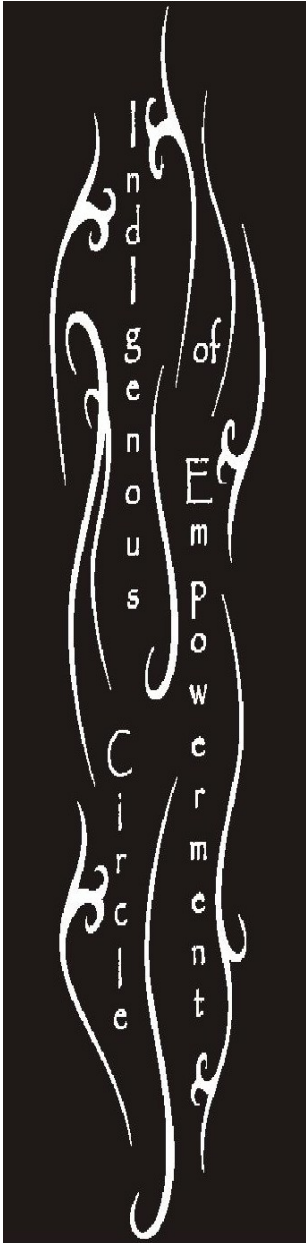
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Indigenous Circle of Empowerment (ICE) is about creating pride and confidence in tomorrow's leaders. We believe that successful students and change agents need to be recognized not only by encouragement but by supporting them with resources, leadership training, and opportunities in order to nurture and support role model development. The leaders in the community need more than just encouragement, they need the confidence, know-how, and courage in order to make positive changes in the community, and I.C.E was developed to give the students that platform.

Applications are available at the front desk of Migizii Agamik.



Be Great. Be Proud. Be Empowered.

UMASA info:

The University of Manitoba Aboriginal Students Association (UMASA) is a non-profit, service delivery group which works along side the University of Manitoba Student's Union. Our goal is to help make University life a pleasant one. The Aboriginal Students Association provides personal, cultural and moral support to all our members, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal.

UMASA provides support and information on Aboriginal issues by planning and organizing recreational, political, social and cultural events throughout the year. All registered U of M students who support these initiatives are encouraged to join.

UMASA also provide our members with two centres to gather, meet, and relax. The UMASA Lounges are located in Room 113, Helen Glass Centre and the Aboriginal House at 45 Curry Place.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

Aboriginal Film Festival, National Aboriginal Day, UMASA Back to School BBQ/Membership Drive, O-Week-Aboriginal Showcase, Children's Holiday Party, Monthly Family Nights, UMASA Guest Speakers Series, Annual Traditional Graduation Pow Wow, Annual Elder's & Traditional Peoples Gathering, Cultural Programming & Field Trips, Sports and Recreation: Intramural Floor Hockey, volleyball and Slo-Pitch.



**STUDENT
AFFAIRS**



Annual BBQ

MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

12 noon

2nd floor University Centre

Everyone Welcome!

Bursary Information

Anyone interested in getting information about bursaries can come in and speak to Bev.

Due October 3, 2011

Louis Riel Institute (Metis) Student Bursary
Financial Aid and Awards General Bursary

http://umanitoba.ca/student/fin_awards/bursaries/index.html

Due October 15, 2010

Foundation for the advancement of Aboriginal Youth (FAAY)
www.ccab.com/faay

Due November 30, 2011

NAAF Aboriginal Health Careers Bursary & Scholarship Award

<http://www.naaf.ca/userfiles/aboriginal%20health%20careers%20application.pdf>



~~Don't be late with submitting your bursary forms~~

10th Annual

**Elders & Traditional
Teachers Gathering**

November 26 & 27, 2011

at

Migizii Agamik

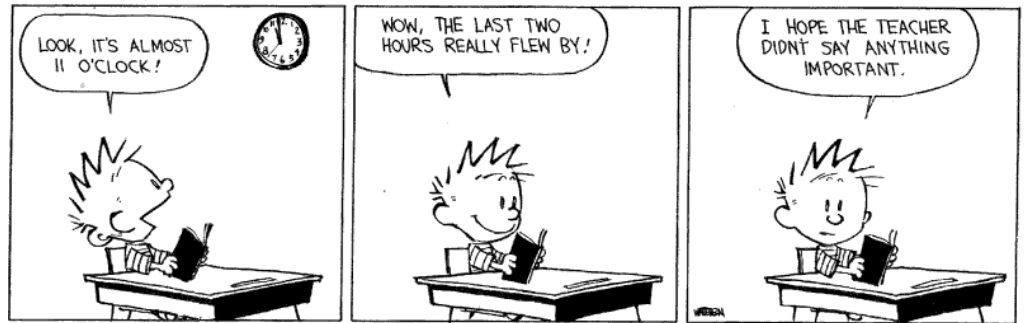
Everyone Welcome!



Reminders

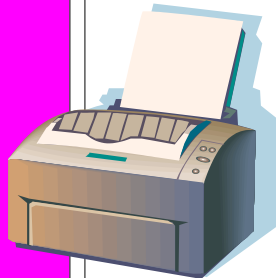
- The lockers are for short term use only. To ensure everyone a fair chance of using a locker, please remove locks and all contents from lockers at the end of the day.
- Please clean up after yourself in the kitchen. Failing to do so will result in the kitchen being locked after 4:30 pm.
- Please report any building issues or suspicious activity to staff as soon as possible and remember to call Campus Security (Dial 555) in case of emergency.
- In the new term, remember to come and see us early if you are having difficulties with your course work. We can help you get back on the right path.

Nobody will ever think you're somebody if you don't think so yourself.



Printing available in the Migizii Agamik Computer Lab!

Print cards can be purchased at the ASC front desk Monday to Friday 8:30AM to 4:30PM. We require \$1 as a deposit for the card. You can then load your card with copies at \$0.05/copy. With your card, you can print in the lab anytime, even on weekends!



Looking for Employment?

Grads and students! Looking for a job? Check out these websites:

www.amik.ca

<http://campusen.workopolis.com/campusen.aspx?action=Transfer&View=Content/Common/CampusLoginView&lang=EN&theme=campusen>

www.eluta.ca

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