

## Press Release

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### **Cumberland College Announces 2010-11 Programming**

New training programs were introduced when the Cumberland College Board of Directors recently approved their program plans for the 2010-11 academic year. Area residents interested in university, technical training and Adult Basic Education have access to a number of opportunities available in the upcoming year.

A wide range of first and upper year courses are available from the University of Saskatchewan, University of Regina and First Nations University of Canada. Students can work towards degrees in many disciplines including Arts and Science, Agriculture, Social Work, Elementary Education and many pre-professional colleges such as Medicine, Law, Pharmacy and Nutrition, and Physical Therapy. Courses are offered at the four College campuses in Melfort, Nipawin, Tisdale and Hudson Bay. “By taking classes locally, students save the expense of living away from home,” says Brenda Mellon, Manager of University and Marketing. “With all of our programs, students benefit from smaller class sizes, a supportive environment and generous scholarship program valued at over \$52 000.”

A number of full-time SIAST technical programs will be offered throughout the region, including: Addictions Counselling Diploma in Melfort, Applied Certificate in Law Enforcement in Codette, Early Childhood Education Certificate in Tisdale, Office Education in Codette, and Continuing Care Assistant in Tisdale. “Addictions Counselling is a new program at the College,” says Joy Solsten, Manager of Technical Programs at Cumberland College. “Graduates may find employment as addiction counsellors, community prevention workers or other human service providers.”

Adult Basic Education (ABE) programs include literacy skills through to Grade 12 completion. Programs will be offered in Melfort, Nipawin and Tisdale starting in the fall of 2010. Pending additional funding, programs may also be offered at James Smith Cree Nation, Kinistin Salteaux Nation, Red Earth Cree Nation, Shoal Lake Cree Nation and Muskoday First Nation. “Many students come into ABE as a stepping stone to employment or further training opportunities,” says Linda Kerslake, Manager, Adult Basic Education at Cumberland College.

Individuals interested in university studies apply directly to the university of their choice and indicate they intend to study at Cumberland College. Those interested in the full-time SIAST programs or ABE apply directly to Cumberland College by completing a print or online appli-

cation.. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible as many programs are filled on a “first qualified, first admitted basis”.

For further information, or to make an appointment with a counsellor, individuals are asked to contact their local Cumberland College office.

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