

September 6th marked the beginning of the fall semester and

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All members of the Laurentian commr

With on-going changes (e.g. CCAA uncertainty, international visa backlog), the credit loading and FTE enrolment is more variable than ever before, where we are seeing some weeks ahead of past years, and other weeks behind the historic behavior. While Laurentian is seeing graduate and international enrolment growth over the planned enrolments, these student groups have the most risk and variability and enrolment numbers will need to be monitored as fall progresses.

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The emergence of Laurentian from the CCAA process in November will provide the opportunity for the University to establish its path to a successful and sustainable future. Much of the transition will have been achieved but much also remains to be done. Governance review and organizational transformation are critical next steps to position the university for success. With emergence I encourage everyone to look forward, not backward - to look to the possibilities of the future in which Laurentian grows its reputation as a leading University for the North strongly aligned with its bilingual and tricultural values. I wish everyone, faculty, staff and students, the very best for the work that is still to be done and opportunities that you still have before you and for Laurentian to achieve its potential.

1. Laurentian University recently welcomed students back to campus, with the commencement of the fall semester. The Orientation team was hard at work to ensure students are provided the best possible access to resources at Laurentian. I would like to sincerely thank our Orientation committee, as well as all other staff, faculty and current students involved in Orientation, for their efforts. I commend all involved in the planning and execution of Orientation, a week-long 'welcome back' filled with many exciting social events that helped foster our university's sense of community. I am happy to report that this year's number of confirmed students represents an increase from 2021. We all look forward to what the 2022-2023 academic year has to offer.
2. Congratulations to all those involved in this year's Shad Laurentian program. In July, Shad Laurentian hosted fifty-six grade ten and eleven Canadian high school students on campus for Shad Canada's twenty-seven day program. Laurentian University is a host university in partnership with Shad Canada, a not-for-profit organization who equip youth to tackle social and economic challenges via a STEAM and entrepreneurial lens. I am delighted that Laurentian had the opportunity to share its beautiful and multi-faceted campus facilities; including our beach, challenge course, residences, Great Hall and more.
3. This summer we also welcomed international students from many areas of the world, with groups of students from both Switzerland and India spending time on campus in August. The India-based cohort of students resumed their visit to Laurentian's campus after a pause of two years. Their stay lasted one month and kudos to the organizing committee, and specifically Dr. Kalpdram Passi for his leadership. Similarly, a group of students from Haute École de travail social et de la santé in Lausanne, Switzerland visited campus for two weeks in August. Their group was well received by the team on campus that was led by Dr. Dominique Mercure.
4. Another group I'd like to acknowledge is the Campus Recreation team. This summer, they made excellent use of our recreational facilities to offer Voyageurs youth summer camps. These camps that began in early July and continued into early September welcomed hundreds of youth to various indoor and outdoor recreational facilities and learning opportunities. I would like to commend all those who contribute to Campus Recreation, including current student staff.
5. I am happy to congratulate the Laurentian University researchers who received \$820,000 in federal Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada discovery grants. Grants that derive from this program typically last for five years and provide the core funding for Canada's top researchers to pursue their most promising

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6. Laurentian's School of Edu
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Five NSERC grant recipients from Laurent
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Chris Verschoor. Laurentian also received an
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received funding in the amount of \$200,000 from
Laurentian University alumna, who passed away
scholarships to reward students for academic merit,
need, and will provide travel support to students
Greater Sudbury area, with preference given to
areas. This new funding will begin supporting
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Laurentian's involvement in an \$8.6M national
project is of unprecedented scale in the design
universities, 70 researchers and over 68 public and
financial and national levels. The aim of this project,
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Laurentian Ph.D. alumnus, Xuyang Meng, wh
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11. Thanks to the support of The Weston Family Foundation, the WCS Canada's Weston Family Boreal Research Fellowship program