



**Landmark accord on the Education of Indigenous Peoples in Canada
to be Signed at Congress 2010**

Montreal/May 31, 2010 – A landmark agreement on the education of Indigenous peoples in Canada will be signed June 1, at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences hosted by Concordia University in Montreal. The *Accord on Indigenous Education* provides for a new framework under which university programs will be reviewed and partnerships with Indigenous communities forged in order to better reflect the educational purposes and values of Indigenous people. It will lead to the development of teaching methods that respect –and, indeed reflect- the specific cultural needs and references of First Nations people.

The agreement was developed between leading representatives of First Nations communities and The Association of Canadian Deans of Education (ACDE), which is meeting at Concordia during the 2010 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, continuing through June 4.

Signing Ceremony

Tuesday, June 1, 2010 – 10:30am

John Molson School of Business - 7th Floor (MB 7.255)

1450 Guy St. (corner De Maisonneuve)

Present at the ceremony will be:

Mike Delisle, Grand Chief, Kahnawake; Annette and Freddie Deer, Mohawk Elders, Kahnawake; Clément Chartier, President, Métis National Council; Mary Delisle, President, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami; MorningStar, Elder-in-Residence, Concordia; Fern Snart, President, ACDE; Judith Woodsworth, President and Vice-Chancellor, Concordia University and deans from education faculties and departments of universities across Canada.

To read the accord please click [here](#).

The Association of Canadian Deans of Education (ACDE) is an association of Deans, Directors, and Chairs of Canadian Faculties, Schools, Colleges, and Departments of Education. ACDE members are committed to pan-Canadian leadership in professional and teacher education, educational research, and policy in universities and university-colleges.

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