

University of Windsor Senate

President's Report: October 2021

October 8, 2021
University of Windsor



Sustainability Initiatives and our Values



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- Clean energy, green space and energy efficiency initiatives
- Composting and re-cycling improvement initiatives
- Phasing out sale of single-use plastic water bottles and single-use plastic
- Development of green roofs on campus buildings
- Procurement and investment policies
- Development of active transportation strategy
- Integration of community garden into curriculum and community partnership initiatives
- Integration and coordination of sustainability with other social justice initiatives on campus
- Enter THE Sustainability Rankings



Sustainability Next Steps



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- A job description for the ‘Sustainability Officer’ is being finalized and the position will be advertised shortly. The goal is to fill the position by the end of year.
- The Steering Committee (co-chaired by the VP, Academic and the VP, Finance & Operations) will be announced shortly.
- Sustainability Working Groups will be announced in November.
- The Sustainability Framework will be finalized by the Steering Committee for public review before the end of 2021.
- Funding has been allocated for a Sustainability Fund and will be made available through a submission process in 2022.

Orange Shirt Day



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<https://www.uwindsor.ca/indigenous-peoples/316/orange-shirt-day>

Orange Shirt Day



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EVERY CHILD MATTERS

Orange Shirt Day

Thursday, September 30th, 2021

Missing Children of Indian Residential Schools

On discovery of unmarked graves at former Indian residential school sites in Canada

Carina Xue Luo, Academic Data Centre, Leddy Library
September 24, 2021

<https://www.uwindsor.ca/indigenous-peoples/316/orange-shirt-day>

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Orange Shirt Day : Residential School Experiences

This collection represents books, and ebooks available through the Leddy Library about the experiences of Indigenous persons at Residential Schools in Canada. The list, including fiction, biographies, and children's books, was curated by the Indigenous Outreach Librarian, Jennifer Soutter.

Sort items by Relevance | Search

Items (51)

- BOOK Five little Indians
- BOOK Genocidal love : a life after residential school
- BOOK In my own moccasins : a memoir of resilience
- BOOK Orange shirt day : September 30th

Indian Residential Schools in Canada

Info

Click on the map to view feature information

Introduction | The Development of Residential... | **Where are the Residential Scho...** | How were the children treated?... | Missing Children | Where were the...

Even HERE, NRC.ca | Orlowski, Ross, 2018, "Residential School Locations Dataset (CSV Format)", <https://doi.org/10.5468/5922/89YEM1> Scholars Portal Dat... Powered by Esri

Indigenous Initiatives



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- Planning the process for recruiting a Senior Advisor on Indigeneity
- Exploring space opportunities for Indigenous staff, faculty and students
- Developing consultation process
- Establishing additional learning opportunities

Indigenous Medicine Lecture

October 18 – November 8.

Facilitated by Jaimie Kecheogo (CTL) and Kat Pasquach (AEC)

To register: <https://ctl2.uwindsor.ca/workshops/134/>

City and Municipal Partnerships



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- Agreement to work with the City of Windsor to develop a partnership agreement over the next 9-12 months
- Goal involves enhancing the working relationships, advancing shared priorities, and developing structures and procedures to support initiatives across the two organizations
- Also developing similar partnerships with the municipalities throughout Essex County

Potential Partnership Elements



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- Partnered funding-driven initiatives
- Experiential learning
- Joint research
- Infrastructure/resource sharing
- Environmental and sustainability initiatives
- Training and education
- Shared capacity building, leadership development, professional development programs
- Co-sponsorship of events/programs
- EDI initiatives
- Youth initiatives
- International outreach projects
- Joint advocacy strategies

Some Key Points of these Partnerships



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- An opportunity to learn from each other
- Will respect the autonomy, rights, and policy and labour contexts of both organizations
- Will not impact or change existing partnerships
- Process will engage with faculty, staff and students

Upcoming Senior Administrative Searches



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- Vice-President Finance & Operations – Fall 2021
 - Two Senate appointments
- Associate Vice-President External – Early 2022
 - Two Senate appointments
- Provost & Vice-President Academic – Early 2022
 - Four decanal/faculty/sessional lecturer/librarian members of Senate
 - A student member of Senate elected by the Senate
- Vice-President Research & Innovation – Spring 2022
 - Four decanal/faculty/librarian members of Senate, who are active researchers and who shall be members of four different Faculties/Library
 - Two graduate students who are enrolled in research-based programs and are from different Faculties
- Vice-President Equity, Diversity and Inclusion – Fall 2022
 - Creating Senate By-Law for this role

Capital Projects Update: Lancer Centre



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- **Schedule:**

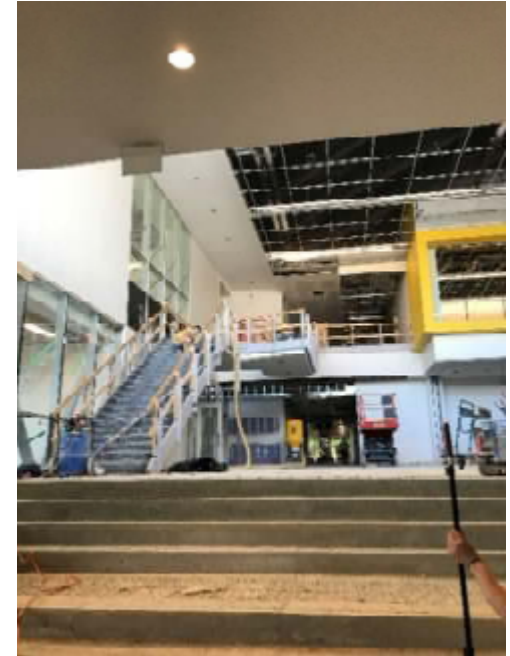
- Construction substantial completion – May/22
- Lancer Centre opening – Estimated July/22

- **Construction Status:**

- Fitness area is on schedule with its flooring and painting complete
- Pool installed and tiling will be completed shortly
- Gymnasium:
 - Basketball nets have been installed
 - Wood flooring will be installed over the months of Oct/Nov
 - Bleacher delivery on Dec 1
- Exterior initiatives will be wrapping up this month (parking area, landscaping, sidewalks, etc.)
- Procurement is underway for athletic & fitness equipment, furniture, and signage

- **Gymnasium seating:**

- “Take a Seat” campaign

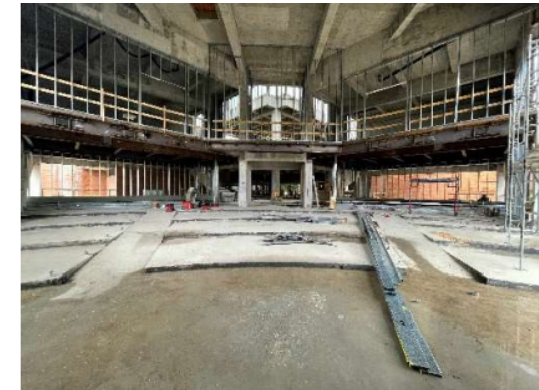


Capital Projects Update: Transforming Windsor Law



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- Schedule:
 - Construction substantial completion – Feb/23;
 - Building reopened – Estimated to be April/23
 - Ready for classes – Fall/23
- Current status of construction:
 - Building has been gutted
 - Heavy structural substantially completed
- Mechanical system housed internally now removed and new systems will be placed on roof in Nov
- Indigenous Dedication Celebration – Oct 25
 - Daily News announcement – Oct 6th



University Budget Model Discussion



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- At the December 10th Senate meeting....
- Will provide an in-depth discussion on the re-designed University of Windsor Activity-based Budget Model
- The model is constantly evolving and being refined
- The development of a more clear process for access to financial data
- Clarity on the process in the development of the Faculty Financial Sustainability Plans
- Planning considerations for the shared service units across the University

Envision a Post-COVID Future



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- Virtual 'Speakers Series' in partnership with the City of Windsor that will bring together leaders, experts and community members to explore the medium- and long-term implications of the pandemic on society, the economy, our work and our lives.
- Next event:
 - Ms. Angela Mondou
 - Pandemic Disruption and Opportunity
 - November 4, 2021

