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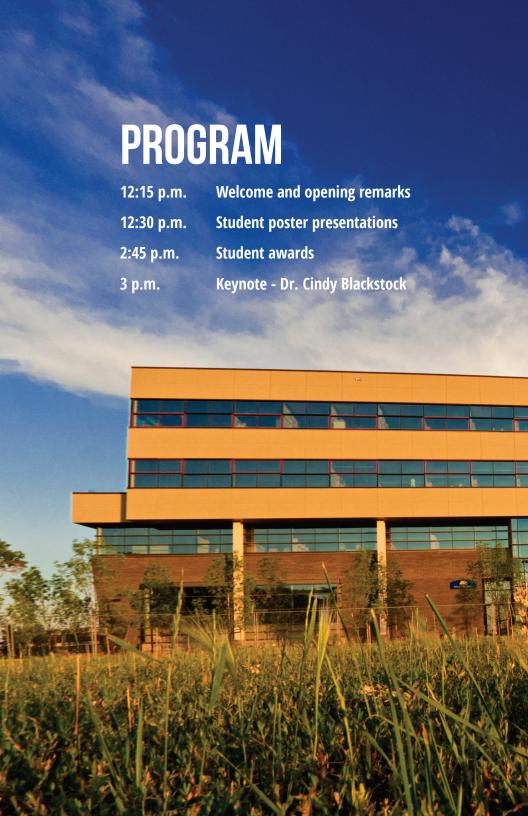
We welcome students, faculty from across campus, alumni, and the public to our annual Student Research Day. Our 2014 celebration will showcase the work of our undergraduate and graduate students, and will feature a keynote presentation by scholar and Indigenous child advocate Dr. Cindy Blackstock.







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Cindy Blackstock, PhDExecutive Director, First Nations
Child and Family Caring Society
of Canada (www.fncaringsociety.
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University of Alberta

A member of the Gitksan First Nation, Cindy has 25 years of social work experience in child protection and

indigenous children's rights. As Director of the First Nations Children's Action Research and Education Service (FNCARES) at the University of Alberta, her research interests are Indigenous theory and the identification and remediation of structural inequalities affecting First Nations children, youth and families.

Her promotion of culturally based and evidence informed solutions, has been recognized by the Nobel Women's Initiative, the Aboriginal Achievement Foundation, Frontline Defenders and many others.

An author of over 50 publications and a widely sought after public speaker, Cindy has collaborated with other Indigenous leaders to assist the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child in the development and adoption of a General Comment on the Rights of Indigenous children. She also recently worked with Indigenous young people, UNICEF and the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to produce a youth friendly version of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of the Child.

Cindy is currently completing a Master of Jurisprudence in Children's Law and Policy at the Loyola University Chicago.





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