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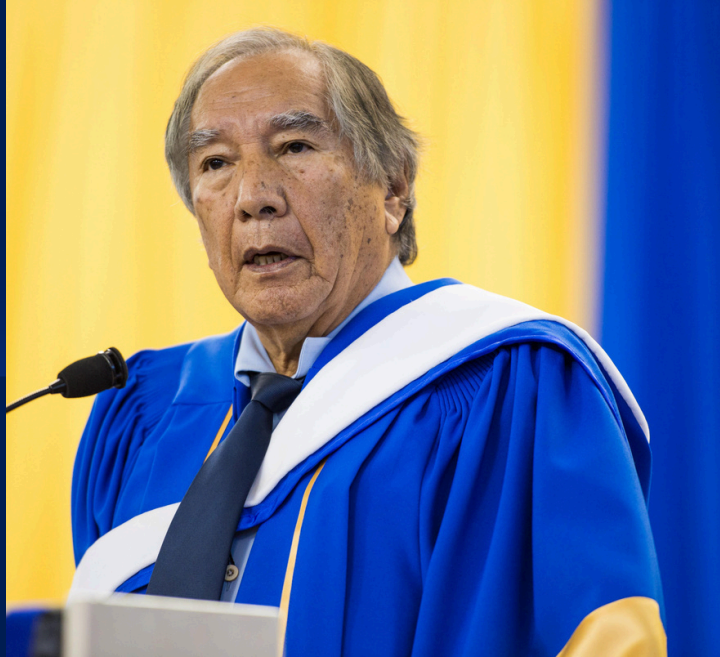
An Evening in Celebration of Dr. Leroy Little Bear



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# June 18, 2026

Doors open 5 p.m. | Dinner at 6 p.m.

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## Iikaisskini Indigenous Studies Gala: An Evening in Celebration of Dr. Leroy Little Bear

Ok! Join the University of Lethbridge as we celebrate the legacy of *Iikaisskini* (Low Horn), Dr. Leroy Little Bear, (BASc (BA) '72, DASC '04) as well as break down barriers and invest in education of Indigenous students.

This capstone event during National Indigenous History Month leads into National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21. The University of Lethbridge and the Faculty of Arts & Science presents this event in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the Department of Native American Studies / Indigenous Studies and 50 years of Dr. Little Bear's many contributions to *Iniskim*. It's also a gala dinner to raise funds for the Iikaisskini Indigenous Studies Scholarship.

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The University of Lethbridge seeks to build ongoing relationships and partnerships to elevate this event. We'd love to partner with you.

**These exclusive opportunities are available until June 1, 2026.**

## Feast Sponsor (\$5,000) - 2 Available

Indigenous communities host *Iisakssini* (feasts) for many reasons, including in recognition of milestones in an individual's life. This feast honours Iikaisskini (Dr. Leroy Little Bear) upon the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Native American Studies (now Indigenous Studies) Department and his retirement as the inaugural Vice-Provost of Iniskim Indigenous Relations. Feast Sponsors support the delicious three course meal prepared by LA Chefs. Feast Sponsors will receive table signage, special recognition at the event, two tickets to the gala, and a name or a logo will be included in the program.

## Giftng Sponsor (\$3,500) - 1 Available

Within Blackfoot tradition, *Sikapistaani* (gifting) to one's guests is a sign of respect and supports the building and sustaining of relationships. The gifting sponsor will support the costs of a small gift provided for each guest. Gifting sponsorship will be acknowledged in writing with each gift, as well as through special recognition at the event. A name or a logo will be included in the program and sponsors will receive two tickets to the gala.



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## Cultural Entertainment Sponsor (\$1,500) - 3 Available

Sponsor the *Aisttokimaiksi* (drummers) and *Aipasskaiksi* (dancers) who will be performing at the gala. Cultural Entertainment Sponsors will receive special recognition at the event, two tickets to the gala, and their names or a logo will be included in the program.

## Student Table Sponsor (\$1,500) - 3 Available

Sponsorship purchases a table of eight, allowing six *Iniskim* (University of Lethbridge) students to attend the gala in celebration of Dr. Leroy Little Bear. Sponsors will receive the remaining two tickets for the table and will be seated with the students they have sponsored. All table sponsors will receive special recognition at the event and their names or a logo will be included in the program.

## Community Sponsor (\$1,500) - 5 Available

Community sponsorship purchases a table of eight tickets. The sponsor will receive six tickets for them and their guests and the remaining two tickets will sponsor members of the *Siksikaitsitapi* (community). Community sponsors will receive special recognition at the event and their names or a logo will be included in the program.

## Contact Us

We look forward to partnering with you!

To discuss these sponsorship opportunities, please contact the Office of External Relations at the University of Lethbridge.

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