

## **Master of Education in Indigenous Education, SFU – Community Programs**

A number of queries have been received recently regarding a Master of Education (M.Ed) program with an Indigenous education focus.

If you have been considering a Master's program in Indigenous education at SFU, it is essential that you provide information about your educational background and interests so that we may have a greater sense as to whether our resources match potential candidates' interest. With that in mind, please respond to the following questions:

- In what discipline did you receive your undergraduate degree and from which university did you receive it? What was your grade point average?
- What motivates you to pursue a graduate degree? Please be as specific, yet succinct as possible.
- What area of focus interests you most when considering graduate study? This may relate to topics about which you are particularly interested in exploring in depth, it may relate to future aspirations, or otherwise. I have attached an overview of the currently running program as an example of a program that focuses on equity in education, as noted in the description section of the overview.
- What is your geographic location, and how mobile are you with respect to travel to and from a program delivery site? What might we do to make a M. Ed more accessible to you should we have the resources and necessary interest in terms of numbers? Please add details about family and work obligations as pertinent.

The currently running program is being delivered both at an off-campus Burnaby site and at Burnaby campus (during the two terms where electives are offered), and began in May 2008. It will run for six consecutive terms and will conclude at the end of April 2010. It is important to point out that this open-cohort Community Programs model (i.e. one with elective options and the prospect of changing to an MA Thesis route) may not necessarily be offered again. There are many factors to be considered in making such a decision. Again, please note that the attached program overview **is simply provided as an example of a program with a particular focus (Equity in Education)**. Therefore, **please ignore the contact information on that overview** and send your responses to the four bulleted questions above, and any further questions you may have, directly to me at the email address below. We look forward to hearing from you.

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