

# ABOUT CAC

Campus Alberta Central (CAC) is a joint venture between Olds College and Red Deer College that provides post-secondary learning opportunities in communities throughout central Alberta.

## VISION

Campus Alberta Central will be a national leader contributing to vibrant communities through learning.

## MISSION

Campus Alberta Central will provide stewardship to meet the learning needs of the communities of Central Alberta.

## VALUES

Inclusiveness | Accessibility | Collaboration | Integrity  
Responsiveness | Accountability

## OUTCOMES

- Learners have access to technology-enabled learning and personalized support services within 45 minutes of their home community.
- Learners are successful in accomplishing their goals.
- Communities are committed to and invested in regionally-based centres of learning.
- Partnerships among stakeholders and learning providers are built and stewarded.



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**HIGHLIGHTS OF  
2018-2019**

# COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

The CAC Advisory Council provides information and direction regarding local learning needs. Members represent communities throughout the region. Senior leadership from each of the joint venture colleges work with the Advisory Council to provide context on the post-secondary sector.

## 2018-2019 ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

- Joel Ward, Chair [President & C.E.O., Red Deer College]
- Stuart Cullum, Vice Chair [President, Olds College]

### Community Members:

- Angela Aalbers [Mountain View County]
- Shannon Boyce-Campbell [Ponoka]
- Tammy Burke [Rocky Mountain House]
- Shirley Cire [Associate member, Ponoka]
- Mona Crocker [Rocky Mountain House]
- Mark Fox [Stettler]
- Coleen Gordon [Drumheller]
- Greg Hayden [Stettler]
- Barbara Murray [Drumheller]
- Lynn Paul [Ponoka]
- Krista Schultz [Ponoka]

# CAC PARTNERSHIPS

CAC partners with regional organizations that are able to provide information and student support services to community members. CAC has agreements in place with nineteen organizations that include adult learning within their mandate. These organizations deliver services at twenty-one community locations, and outreach services in two additional communities. CAC partners with local Community Adult Learning Programs (CALPs) to support learning centres in four communities across the region: Drumheller, Ponoka, Rocky Mountain House and Stettler. Where opportunities exist, community-based programs may be extended to other locations in the region.

## CAC PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:

- Bashaw & District Community Adult Learning Council
- Carstairs Public Library
- Neutral Hills Community Adult Learning Society (Consort)
- County of Lacombe Lifelong Learning Association
- Cremona Community Engagement Site
- Didsbury Municipal Library
- Drumheller and District Adult Learning Council
- Greenwood Neighbourhood Place (Sundre)
- Hanna Learning Centre (Hanna, Cessford: outreach)
- Henday Association for Lifelong Learning (Bowden, Innisfail, Sylvan Lake)
- Kneehill Adult Learning Society (Three Hills)
- Mountain View Communities Adult Learning Society (Olds and area)
- Paintearth Community Adult Learning Council (Castor, Coronation)
- Ponoka & Rimbey Adult Learning Society
- Rocky Community Learning Council (Rocky Mountain House, Nordegg: outreach)
- Rocky Native Friendship Centre
- Spruce View Community Engagement Site
- Stettler & District Community Adult Learning Council
- Town of Sundre

# 2018-2019 ACHIEVEMENTS

In the 2018-2019 academic year, CAC supported on-line programs in a wide variety of subject areas. Community-based programs were offered in three subject areas using a blend of face-to-face and on-line learning. A total of twelve on-line programs and seven community-based programs were supported. Dual credit students participated in the Health Care Aide Certificate (HCA) in Drumheller and Stettler, and HCA was provided to Ermineskin band members at the Ponoka location. The following were offered with CAC support:

## ON-LINE PROGRAMS

### Olds College

- Accommodation Guest Services Certificate
- Accommodation Management Certificate
- Pre-Apprenticeship Exam Training
- Rural Finance & Entrepreneurship Certificate
- Tourism Business & Services Management Certificate
- Veterinary Medical Receptionist Certificate

### Red Deer College

- Administrative Professional Certificate
- Business Administration Diploma
- Early Learning & Child Care Certificate
- Early Learning & Child Care Diploma
- Educational Assistant Certificate
- Management Certificate

## COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

- Health Care Aide Certificate: Drumheller, Ponoka, Rocky Mountain House, Stettler (Red Deer College)
- Heavy Equipment Operator Certificate: Drumheller (Olds College)
- Practical Nurse Diploma: Stettler, Rocky Mountain House (Red Deer College)

## IN 2018-2019:

- 102 students attended community-based programs at a regional learning centre including 23 dual credit students
- 333 unique learners attended CAC supported programs equating to 167 full time learner equivalents (FLE). This is an increase of 24%.
- CAC opened a new learning centre in the community of Ponoka and added the Town of Sundre as a regional partner.
- CAC partners received a total of 3191 inquiries regarding post-secondary education, 4017 support services were delivered and 1779 community members engaged in learning opportunities at a CAC learning centre for a total of



8987 regional contacts.

- CAC supported foundational learning in the region through agreements with partner organizations who provide community education services. This includes all Advanced Education funded Community Adult Learning Programs (CALPs) in the region. CAC provided partners with video conference equipment which is now being used to access foundational programming offered through an Alberta Works contracted organization.
- CAC worked with other college departments to provide coordinated services to Indigenous learners in the region. 16 Indigenous students received training at a local learning centre.
- In 2018-2019, Olds College developed Cannabis Production and Beef Cattle Production programs. Pre-Health Sciences and Management Skills for Commercial Kitchens programs were developed at Red Deer College.
- Needs assessment reports received from partner organizations formed an important part of the program selection process. Fifteen partner organizations submitted reports.
- Students continued to receive quality programming with a 92% successful completion rate.

## REGIONAL STEWARDSHIP IN 2018-2019

CAC continues to meet the needs of regional learners through on-line and community-based programs. In 2018-2019 CAC met and exceeded targets for course offerings and student participation. Dual credit, foundational and Indigenous learning opportunities were increased through the work of CAC and regional partners. A new learning centre in Ponoka was opened, and it is engaged in activities to further meet the needs of the community.

Working together with partner organizations, and under the direction of an Advisory Council of local representatives, CAC is able to support regional post-secondary education that is efficient, effective and responsive to community needs.

