### CONCORDIA WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### GRADUATION INFORMATION

Convocation Ceremony: The Convocation Ceremony will take place on Saturday, May 26, 2018.

RSVP: Please <u>RSVP</u> if you plan to attend.

VOLUNTEERS: Please email <u>Judy Kruse</u> if you are interested in volunteering to help at the Convocation.



### **Psychology & Economics Tutors Wanted**

Looking for a fun job for the next academic year? Why not apply to be a tutor?

Student Life and Learning is looking for a few students to tutor for Psychology 104 and 105, and Economics 101 and 102. If you earned an A in any of these courses, and would like to be paid to tutor other students, we'd like to hear from you!

Download a tutor application from <u>CUE Tutoring Services</u>
<u>Web Page</u> and bring your completed application to the
Student Success Centre. If you have any questions, please
contact Sonja Schwake, Learning Services Coordinator, at
<u>sonja.schwake@concordia.ab.ca</u> or 780-491-6854.

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### Concordia WiFi Feedback Survey:

http://concordia.ab.ca/concordia-wifi-eduroam-feedback/

### **Happy Spring!**

Campus will be closed
Friday March 30—
Monday April 2 for the
Easter long
weekend.

### CAFETERIA MENU: MARCH 26—29

Monday Mexican Beef & Rice Bowl

Tuesday Macaroni & Cheese with Broccoli

Wednesday Baked Tandoori Chicken with Vegetable Fried Rice

**Thursday** Beef Meatballs with Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, and Corn

Friday CAMPUS CLOSED





# PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Feeling stressed or overwhelmed?

Don't know what to do?

How about talking to a student like you?

1:1, confidential, non-judgmental, empathetic support with any issue you might be struggling with. No appointments needed.

ROOM A212 (ACROSS FROM THE CSA OFFICE)
DROP-IN. FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS

MONDAY 11.00 AM 1.00 PM

TUESDAY: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM WEDNESDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM THURSDAY: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM FRIDAY: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

\* Check A212 notice board for updates on hours. Closed on holidays.

WE ARE CLOSING SHOP ON APRIL 19th BUT WE'RE BACK IN SEPTEMBER!

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL PEERSUPPORT@CONCORDIA.AB.CA

OR DROP BY A212 DURING OPEN HOURS



### PER HELPERS NEEDED!

NOW RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR THE PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM STARTING IN SEPTEMBER.

We're looking for students who are great listeners and enjoy supporting others!

Commitment is 3-5 hours a week in the fall and winter semesters.

Recruitment closes as soon as positions are filled.

Training and supervision provided.

EMAIL PEERSUPPORT@CONCORDIA.AB.CA
FOR MORE INFO!



SUPPORT PROGRAM



**Indigenous Summer Student Program** 

# A SUMMER JOB THAT WORKS







Each year, ATCO welcomes students of Indigenous descent (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) to participate in the Indigenous Summer Student Program to work in our Flectricity business unit.

The program provides students with the opportunity to apply their post-secondary education to the work ATCO does while getting valuable business and technical experience through training and mentorship for a four-month (May to August) work term. It is open to students that have completed at least one term of full-time post-secondary studies in a post-secondary program that relates to the work of ATCO Electricity business unit.

### Apply by March 31, 2018

ATCOElectric.com/Careers/Aboriginal-Summer-Student-Program

### **About Us:**

We deliver power to 245 cities, towns and Aboriginal communities in Alberta. We employ people in all kinds of work. Visit **ATCO.com** for more information.

### Questions

IndigenousRelations@ATCO.com

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Application forms available from the Student Success Centre!



## Application Deadline: April 1, 2018

The University Entrance Scholarship program provides guaranteed renewable scholarships to high school students who present a minimum award average of 75%. Scholarships vary in value according to the applicant's award average.

How do I apply?

There is no separate application required. Concordia identifies eligible students through the admission process, choosing from those who submit their admission Application Forms and final (interim) high school transcripts before April 1st. Eligible scholarship recipients are sent a preliminary scholarship offer notification letter.



finaid@concordia.ab.ca





## MARCH 29TH STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT INFORMATION SESSION

Received government student loans? Understand 'what happens next' after you finish your studies.



Host: Ms. Violet Reid (NSLSC Rep)

Learn about when repayment starts, interest rates, repayment assistance (RAP) and more...

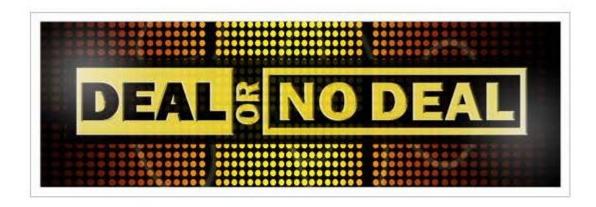
Pizza Lunch Included

12:00 P.M.
Room CE 308
Ralph King
Building
(2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

### **RSVP**

finaid@concordia.ab.ca

Let us know you plan to attend!



Deal or no deal? Don't be thrilled that the credit card you're paying 22% interest on offers 1% cash back on all purchases.

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https://concordia.ab.ca/ student-services/ financial-aid/





### FRASER INSTITUTE - STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

Showcase your ideas on public policy and the role of markets by entering our essay competition. \$9,000 in cash prizes will be awarded with \$3,000 of this is designated just for high school students! Winning essays may be published in Fraser Institute journals and authors will have the opportunity to experience the peer review process.

### Categories and Prizes:

High School	Undergraduate	Graduate
ıst Prize: \$1,500	1st Prize: \$1,500	1st Prize: \$1,500
2nd Prize: \$1,000	2nd Prize: \$1,000	2nd Prize: \$1,000
3rd Prize: \$500	3rd Prize: \$500	3rd Prize: \$500

### 2018 Essay Contest – Increasing the Minimum Wage: Good Intentions, Bad Policy?

The idea of raising the minimum wage in Canada and in some jurisdictions in the United States is a contentious topic. Proponents of a higher minimum wage tout that such increase will be an effective tool for helping those in poverty. But a <u>recent study</u> by the Fraser Institute found that 88% of minimum wage earners in Canada do not actually live in low-income households. In fact, nearly 60% of these earners are young adults aged 15-24, most of whom are living with their parents or other relatives. Additionally, <u>research</u> has found that about 70% of the benefits from a higher wage go to non-poor households in Canada.

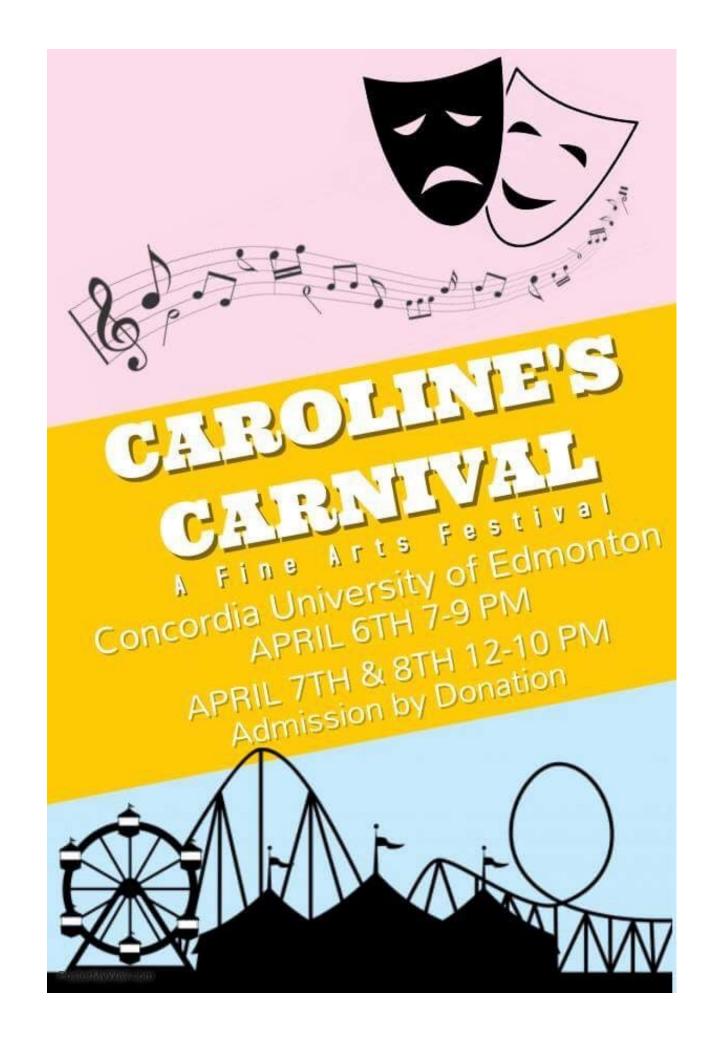
Beyond the misperception that the majority of the benefits from an increase in the minimum wage would go to low-income earners and the most vulnerable, raising the minimum wage has been <u>shown</u> to lead to reductions in employment, particularly for young people and immigrants.

### While constructing your essay, consider the following questions:

- Should provincial governments increase the minimum wage?
- What impact would such an increase have on the Canadian economy?
- Is raising the minimum wage an effective way to provide assistance to vulnerable Canadians?
- Is there an alternative to raising the minimum wage that targets low-income earners more precisely?

### SUBMISSION DEADLINE: June 1, 2018.

For more information visit: https://www.fraserinstitute.org/education-programs/west/students/essay-contest



### **Bookstore Closure**

Concordia Bookstore will be closed on Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

April Post-Secondary Bus Passes can be purchased from March 22<sup>nd</sup> to March 28<sup>th</sup> and from April 3<sup>rd</sup> to April 11<sup>th</sup> during regular Bookstore hours.

LIBRARY
CLOSED FOR
EASTER.
MARCH 30 - APRIL 2, 2018.



### TELL US HOW YOU REALLY

FEEL.

CUE LIBRARY'S 2018 STUDENT SATISFACTION SURVEY.

ENTER TO WIN A TABLET BY COMPLETING OUR SURVEY. SURVEY OPENS WEDNESDAY MARCH 28TH. CHECK YOUR STUDENT EMAIL FOR THE SURVEY LINK.



SURVEY CLOSES APRIL 18, 2018. ONLY CURRENT CUE STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO WIN. WINNER WILL BE CONTACTED VIA THEIR CUE STUDENT EMAIL.

