### 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.

GRAD PHOTOS: Limited appointments left on March 29 only! Book Online: Lifetouch.ca/northernalberta

#### **INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Have you considered an internship with a non-profit organization? This is a great opportunity for students to gain professional skills and assist the community while being eligible for a \$1,000 SCIP grant. Visit Serving Communities Internship Program (SCIP) for more information and to browse internship opportunities.

#### **CUSC SURVEY WINNERS**

Congratulations to the following students who took part in the CUSC Graduating Student survey and won a \$25 gift certificate!

Drew N., Courtney H., Juwayriya A., Randi K., & Tracey B.

Thank you to all graduating students who participated in the CUSC survey!







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#### **SCHOLARSHIP OPPPORTUNITY**

The Saint John's Legacy Foundation is accepting scholarship applications for the 2018-2019 academic year. More information is available on their website:

legacy.sjsa.ab.ca

#### **YOGA THIS WEEK**

in Ralph King Gymnasium Monday & Wednesday 12:00pm - 12:50pm



#### CAFETERIA MENU: MARCH 19—23

Monday Traditional Beef Chili with Tri Coloured Corn Chips

Tuesday Butter Chicken with Basmati Rice and Sautéed Vegetable Medley

Wednesday Perogies with Bacon and Garlic Butter with Green Beans

Thursday Salisbury Steak with Mashed Potatoes and Glazed Carrots

Friday Baked Basa with Quinoa and Corn Medley







\$2000

AWARDED TO A GRADUATING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT WHO DEMONSTRATES OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP

APPLY BY MARCH 29 . TINYURL.COM/SOTY2018

# 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.



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#### Chris Benedict Award

Value: \$1000

Application Deadline: March 29, 2018



Awarded to a student who has a positive outlook towards school and life and has demonstrated perseverance in the face of adversity while inspiring others to also succeed when facing adverse conditions.

Donor: Concordia Students' Association

To Apply go to: <a href="http://concordia.ab.ca/scholarships/chris-benedict-award/">http://concordia.ab.ca/scholarships/chris-benedict-award/</a>. Submit completed application (Part A & Part B) to Student & Enrolment Services (HA120).



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# 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**

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Let us know you plan to attend!





ALL CUE FACULTY AND STUDENT RESEARCHERS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 3RD ANNUAL

# RESEARCH FORUM

REGISTER BY MARCH 23RD AT TINYURL.COM/CUE-RESEARCHFORUM



#### Research Forum 2018 Poster Exhibit

All CUE faculty and student researchers are invited to participate in the Concordia University of Edmonton 3rd Annual Research Forum 2018.

This "open-house" style research poster exhibition showcases and celebrates the exciting accomplishments of our students and faculty in advancing research and innovation across all disciplines.

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 18th, 2018 | 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Location: Tegler Centre Main Hall

The Research Forum is organized annually by the Office of Research Services. It is an opportunity for CUE faculty and student researchers to present their work, exchange research ideas and results with the broader university community, as well as industry professionals, and guests.

This year, the Research Forum coincides with the Concordia University of Edmonton Graduate Student Open House.

#### Submitting a Poster Abstract:

Abstracts are now being accepted from CUE faculty and students. Students submitting abstracts should have a faculty research supervisor.

Complete the registration form online here: tinyurl.com/CUE-ResearchForum

Deadline for registration is March 23, 2018

If you have any questions about the event, please contact research@concordia.ab.ca

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#### 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:

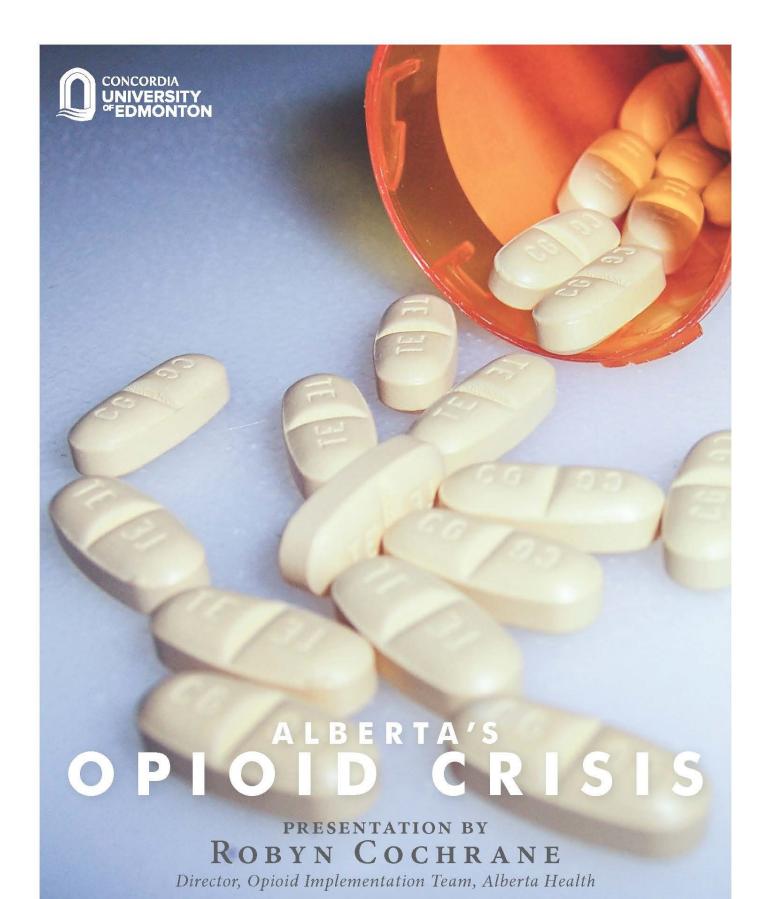
- Should provincial governments increase the minimum wage?
- What impact would such an increase have on the Canadian economy?
- Is raising the minimum wage an effective way to provide assistance to vulnerable Canadians?
- Is there an alternative to raising the minimum wage that targets low-income earners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

#### SUBMISSION DEADLINE: June 1, 2018.

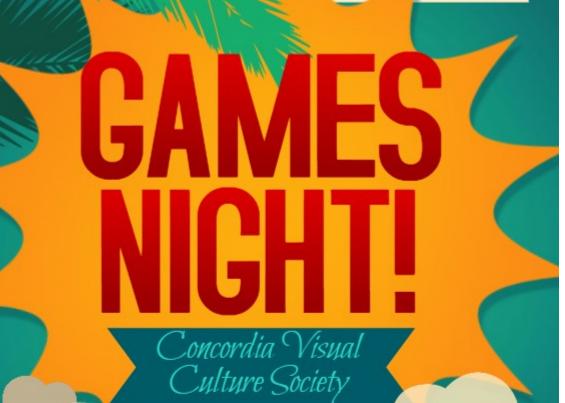
For more information visit: https://www.fraserinstitute.org/education-programs/west/students/essay-contest



Need a break from studying and school work? Come to Caroline's Carnival to play some games and see some talented people share their passions and work with you. We'll have different games such as the dunk tank, a sumo wrestling ring, balloon darts, bottle toss and more. As well, we will have different side acts being performed in Tegler along with different One Acts being performed in the theatre and in other venues in the school. All of our students have worked hard on there different projects. So come over to Concordia and enjoy the different fine art acts and talents. Come, play games and enjoy the shows.



MARCH 26, 2018 AT 9:00AM IN T104



# FRIDAY, MARCH 23

**TEGLER FROM 3-10 PM** 

Join CVCS for Games, Video Games, and Pizza!

## Campus Dining Services Survey - Opportunity to win a CAD\$150 MasterCard® Gift Card or one of three CAD\$50 MasterCard® Gift Cards!

To the Concordia Community:

Our campus catering services are conducting a survey to better understand your campus lifestyle and preferences. By sharing your thoughts, we will gain valuable insight to help improve your overall campus experience.

This online survey will take 7 to 10 minutes and your responses are confidential.

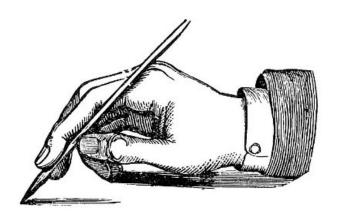
The survey is mobile-friendly and can be taken on a smartphone, mobile device, or a computer. A current Internet browser is required.

Click or copy/paste the URL below into your Internet browser to begin the Concordia University Edmonton Campus Dining Survey:

http://www.college-survey.com/concordiaab

The survey will run until March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

We appreciate your time and thank you for your assistance!





### INTERNATIONAL PIZZA

Come and meet CUE's international students and Internationally minded students, and join us for a

Presentation on Inter-cultural Competency
--- Learn about the Impact of Culture on
Your Daily Life

presented by Dr. Sonja Schwake

Learning Services Coordinator, CUE

Noon - 1 pm Friday, March 23 @ HA 206



## **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.

#### **ROOM FOR RENT**

FURNISHED BEDROOM 1.1KM from Concordia. On Ada Blvd overlooking the river valley.

Address: 6012 Ada Blvd Rent: \$400 plus utilities Available: Immediately

Photos & References: https://ldrv.ms/f/s!AsmwNSbvp1Yvirk7Wvb6wd-7Dhf9gQ

**Description:** Beautiful 1947 Historic Home very close to Concordia. Home on Ada Blvd, overlooks the river valley & trails and in safe neighborhood of Highlands. Highlands has been listed as Top 10 neighborhoods in Canada. Large living room, full kitchen, laundry room and beautiful outdoor areas to relax. Utilities include Internet, Netflix and "TV on the Go" for your phones, laptops etc. Some benefits to tenants: We often are able to provide complimentary tickets for sporting, theatre events and help in finding jobs. **International & Master Students warmly welcome.** Non-party house: No excessive use of alcohol, absolutely no drugs. Quiet hours start at 10PM Sunday-Thursday and at 11pm Friday-Saturday.

A little about your potential landlord: Will works with teens as a Mental Health Therapist at a local hospital. Will is the founder of Embrace Charity: Celebrating Children Everywhere (<a href="www.EmbraceCharity.ca">www.EmbraceCharity.ca</a>) References, criminal record and child welfare checks are available upon request.

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