

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Dr. Tim Loreman will become Concordia University of Edmonton's 8th President**

Concordia University of Edmonton's Board of Governors is pleased to announce that Dr. Tim Loreman has been named as the next university President. Dr. Loreman will succeed Dr. Gerald S. Krispin, who announced his retirement earlier this year after 10 years as president.

"This is an exciting time at Concordia University of Edmonton and we know that Dr. Loreman is the right person to lead us into our next decade of achievement," said Michael Wade, Chair of the Board of Governors. "Along with his lengthy record of academic excellence, Dr. Loreman has demonstrated a strong grasp of the complexities of university administration in the 21<sup>st</sup> century through his current position as Vice President Academic and Provost."

Dr. Loreman has been with the institution for 14 years and is looking forward to leading a university that has become known nationally and internationally for excellence in teaching, research, and community outreach activities.

Dr. Loreman is an active, award-winning and highly respected academic and researcher in the field of inclusive education. He has presented his research on inclusive education and pedagogy at major conferences around the world, from Australia to the United States and Britain to Bangladesh. He has been published extensively in books, journals and reports, and was founding editor of the *International Journal of Whole Schooling* and co-editor of *Exceptionality Education International*. Major Canadian research grants have allowed Dr. Loreman to complete large cross-institutional and cross-national CIDA projects such as reforms of the education system in Ukraine to better support inclusive education, which has now been extended to school systems in Pacific Island nations.

"I have seen our university grow spectacularly over the years. We have always ensured our students are placed at the centre of all that we do, and, through our commitment to preparing them for a successful future, the university is developing into a more robust, inclusive and scholarly community," said Dr. Loreman. "I'm proud of what has become one of Canada's best smaller universities and am honoured to have been chosen as the next President."

Concordia University of Edmonton is nestled in Alberta's capital city of Edmonton within the Highlands neighbourhood overlooking the beautiful North Saskatchewan River Valley. It offers over 45 majors and minors in the fields of arts, science and management, as well as two after-degree programs, three master's degrees and several graduate certificates and diplomas.

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