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The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) was created to preserve the memory of Canada's Residential School system and legacy. Not just for a few years, but forever.

University of Manitoba Mission: To create, preserve, communicate and apply knowledge, contributing to the cultural, social and economic well-being of the people of Manitoba, Canada and the world.

The Governing Circle of the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation together with the University of Manitoba invites expressions of interest, nominations, and applications for the position of **Executive Director, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation**. Consideration of candidates will begin in **December 2020**. Nominations, applications or expressions of interests may be directed to Mike Eagar at Mike@leadersinternational.com

The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) and the University of Manitoba are located on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe and Métis. Following a successful bid to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC), the University of Manitoba and the Commissioners established the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation under the National Research Centre for Truth and Reconciliation Act. Survivors of residential schools, the Assembly of First Nations, and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami took to court the Government of Canada and four national churches that ran residential schools (Catholic, Anglican, United and Presbyterian). All are Parties to the court-ordered *Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement (IRSSA-2007)*. *Schedule N* detailed the TRC part of that Agreement, including the obligation to establish a National Research Centre. It is known today as the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation. The NCTR receives, holds and archives the records of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada. These records include survivor statements and artifacts. The NCTR develops public education and engagement opportunities sharing the legacy of residential schools and facilitates new research into residential schools. The Centre has a responsibility to the People of Canada through its mandate on the legacy of residential schools as per the Trust Deed, as well as an administrative and operational responsibility to the University of Manitoba as per the Administrative Agreement. The University of Manitoba is Western Canada's first university and a member of Canada's U15 group of research-intensive universities. It is home to just over 31,000 students and offers a broad range of undergraduate and graduate programs.

A shared vision held by those affected by Indian residential schools is to create a place of learning and dialogue where the truths of their experiences are honoured and kept safe for future generations. They want their families, communities and all of Canada to learn from these atrocities so they would not be repeated. They want to share the wisdom of the Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers on how to create just and peaceful relationships amongst diverse peoples. They know that reconciliation is not only about the past, it is about the future that all Canadians will forge together. The historic Truth and Reconciliation Commission concluded that this was cultural genocide. This vision is a gift to all of Canada and the world.

Under the direction and guidance of the Governing Circle and the Office of the Vice President Indigenous, the Executive Director leads the development and implementation of the Strategic Plan for the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) including the continued development of the archives and systems to share their materials. They will identify partnerships and build relationships across the country and establish, foster, support, and advocate for further research and academic opportunities between and with Indigenous communities and institutions to further Indigenous achievement. The Executive Director will uphold and appreciate the era of residential schools in education for students and faculty on a national and international level.

Using their excellent communication and relationship-building skills, the Executive Director takes a leadership position in a national dialogue with key partners on relevant strategies and actions for truth and reconciliation, including the opportunity to promote the NCTR Archives. In addition to the national and provincial commitments, the Executive Director will develop partnerships with businesses and communities, ensuring that they reflect the needs and the engagement of Residential Schools Survivors and preserve the legacy of the materials and stories that they have shared to create the NCTR.

The University of Manitoba is firmly committed to Indigenous achievement and engagement, and to equity and diversity within its community. It especially welcomes applications from Indigenous peoples, women, racialized persons/persons of colour, persons with disabilities, persons of all sexual orientations and genders, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents who identify as Indigenous will be given priority.

To learn more about the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, please visit <https://nctr.ca/map.php> To learn more about the University of Manitoba, please visit www.umanitoba.ca.