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**First Nations University of Canada is pleased to offer a \$500 award during Canada-Wide Science Fair being held at the University of Regina, May 14-20, 2017.**

The First Nations University of Canada Award will be presented to an outstanding Grade 7 or 8 project that celebrates Aboriginal peoples' accomplishments and traditional knowledge by showcasing, exploring, reinforcing and expanding the intersections between Indigenous knowledge and Western science.

First Nations University of Canada provides an opportunity for students of all nations to learn in an environment of First Nations cultures and values. Its science courses focus on providing a culturally relevant, knowledge-inclusive science curriculum that allows students to learn the latest scientific knowledge while maintaining a strong cultural identity. Along with its Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics course offerings, First Nations University of Canada is proud to offer a Bachelor of Science in Indigenous Environmental Science.

A week-long, national event held every May since 1962, the Canada-Wide Science Fair (CWSF) brings together 500 top grade 7-12 students from every province and territory to showcase their real-world solutions to some of the globe's most important issues while competing for nearly \$1,000,000 in awards, prizes, and scholarships. CWSF finalists are selected from approximately 25,000 young Canadians who present projects at over 100 regional science fairs across the country, including five dedicated to serving specific Indigenous communities.

Dr. Lynn Wells, Vice-President Academic at First Nations University, notes that the Canada-Wide Science Fair in Regina provides a great opportunity to promote Indigenous Science. "We're proud to play a role in encouraging young people to learn about how Indigenous knowledge contributes to scientific understanding. We can all learn more about science by engaging with Indigenous ways of knowing."

Reni Barlow, Youth Science Canada's Managing Director, welcomed the new award, noting it reinforces the organization's support for science projects and fairs in Indigenous communities across the country. "We're extremely pleased to launch this award, which reflects our view that scientific and Indigenous knowledge are complementary in helping to answer important questions."

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