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Making Education Accessible: Lloyd Axworthy Addresses Financial Aid Conference

WINNIPEG - Each university student has to find his or her own way to pay tuition: some have parents who can foot the bill, others will dip into their savings, still more will find a summer job and work as many hours as they can to save up for the fall. But sometimes, students still need a helping hand to make ends meet. Financial aid can make the difference between giving up and giving it their best shot.

From June 16 – June 18, the Canadian Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (CASFAA) is holding a conference at the University of Winnipeg (*515 Portage Avenue – map attached*) to examine the trends, opportunities, and challenges facing student financial assistance. **The keynote speech will be presented by the Honorable Lloyd Axworthy**, a 1961 graduate of the University of Winnipeg and former faculty member. Recently retired as Minister of Foreign Affairs for Canada, he will speak from his experience in the academic, government, and international arenas. Dr. Axworthy's address will take place from **8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. on Monday, June 17 in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall**. A full agenda of the conference's events can be found at <http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/casfaa/> Information is available on that website in both English and French.

Themed *Unlimited Horizons*, this conference is designed to help delegates – financial aid officers from across the country – to look to the future with visions of how these programs can be defined to better meet the needs of today's students.

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