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### **UWinnipeg's 23<sup>rd</sup> EMC Program Draws 100s of MB High School Students**

WINNIPEG—Hundreds of Manitoba high school students will descend upon The University of Winnipeg campus for the week of April 24-28, 2006. The University of Winnipeg's 23<sup>rd</sup> Enrichment Mini-Course (EMC) Program will see the students examining such diverse topics as the influence of psychoanalysis on pop culture; morality and immorality in the Nazi years; the attraction of the black hole theory; and, the psychology behind Led Zeppelin's music. UWinnipeg's EMC Program is designed to introduce exceptional high school students to the possibilities and advantages of higher education.

Launched in 1984 in response to a request by school divisions, EMC gives their most promising students a taste of the university experience. Over the years, this unique program has provided more than 10,000 students from across the province with a glimpse into their post-secondary future.

While the majority of the 450 students who attend each year are Winnipeg residents, many travel from rural Manitoba communities—including Norway House, The Pas, Gillam, Beausejour, Churchill, Russell, and Arborg—to take part in this prestigious program.

Hinton Bradbury, Academic Director of the EMC Program, says, "The sooner we can put high school students in touch with professional scholarship, the more likely it is that they will see that pursuit as something that is both desirable and within their reach."

The special program offers a wide variety of courses tailored to a high school audience and designed to provide students with one week of University class experience on a topic of the students' selection. To enhance the experience, class sizes are limited to approximately 20 students. To qualify for the program, students must be recommended by their division. All courses are designed to pique curiosity about the university experience and inspire that proverbial thirst for knowledge that brings promising scholars to The University of Winnipeg each year.

New this year are lunch-hour activities designed to enlighten high school students about a wide-range of University of Winnipeg opportunities including a creative writing workshop with author Margaret Sweatman, the University's Carol Shields Writer-in-Residence, an improv demonstration by UWinnipeg theatre grads, and a performance with young local musicians.

*Located in the heart of downtown, The University of Winnipeg is a compact, diverse, multicultural academic community committed to access and excellence. Home to more than 9,200 full- and part-time students, UWinnipeg has been ranked by our graduates in the Top Ten of all Canadian universities when asked about their "Entire Educational Experience" (Maclean's Graduate Survey, November 2004). The Globe & Mail 2005 Report Card gives The University of Winnipeg an*

*overall 'A' grade in the areas of teaching quality, class sizes, faculty-student interaction, and the availability of faculty outside classroom hours. Find out why. Visit [www.uwinnipeg.ca](http://www.uwinnipeg.ca)*

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