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Orientation 2006: UWinnipeg Welcomes First-Year Students

WINNIPEG— The University of Winnipeg’s Orientation 2006 takes place August 30 to September 1, 2006 with a host of activities for all first-year students including information sessions geared to Adult Learners, Aboriginal students, International students, and students in housing.

Orientation 2006 offers new students the opportunity to tour the campus, learn how to navigate the Library, discover student services available on campuses, and equip themselves to become successful university students.

The highlight of Orientation 2006 is **“The Really Big Day” on Thursday, August 31 in Duckworth Centre (Spence Street at Ellice Avenue)**. The Really Big Breakfast, sponsored by The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association, kicks off the day’s events at 9:00 a.m. It is followed by a “Welcome to UWinnipeg” session including presentations by University administration and The University of Winnipeg Students’ Association (UWSA) on how to survive and thrive their first year of studies.

“The start of every academic year brings with it a sense of promise and enthusiasm for what lies ahead,” said University of Winnipeg Acting Associate VP (Academic) Student Services Colin Russell. “I encourage all first year students to make the most of their time here at this unique downtown University: to learn to think critically, to consider their places in our world, and to reach their full potential as global citizens.”

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, June 2006). 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

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