eCampusAlberta expands to help more students access online learning

Post-secondary students in Alberta will enjoy greater access to more online courses and programs due to the expansion of eCampusAlberta.



Premier Dave Hancock gathers with the presidents of all 26 Campus Alberta institutions to celebrate the fact all institutions are now members of eCampus Alberta

To support the tremendous demand for online learning in Alberta, the province is providing a \$140,000 grant to seven post-secondary institutions to join eCampusAlberta.

"Alberta students have really embraced eCampusAlberta and its popularity shows there is a strong appetite for new, innovative ways of accessing education. By expanding to include all 26 post-secondary institutions, students will now have even greater access to high-quality online learning opportunities."

Dave Hancock, Premier and Minister of Innovation and Advanced Education

"Increasing access to online learning means that more students can follow their dreams and get the education they want, regardless of where they live. We look forward to working with all members to continue bringing more courses and programs online to support learners across Alberta."

Tricia Donovan, Executive Director, eCampusAlberta

With the addition of the seven post-secondary institutions, membership in eCampusAlberta now includes all 26 publicly funded post-secondary institutions.

eCampusAlberta—a consortium of publicly funded post-secondary institutions—lets students take courses offered by institutions located far from their home while accessing services offered by an institution close to where they live.

In 2012-13:

- 38 per cent of eCampusAlberta registrations came from students living outside the geographic region of the institution providing the online instruction.
- eCampusAlberta and its member institutions served an all-time high of 20,851 enrolments.

As a portal to over 900 online courses and more than 70 programs from its member institutions, eCampusAlberta works to extend the reach of Alberta's post-secondary education system across the province.

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