Gabriel Dumont Institute Saskatchewan Urban Native Teacher Education Program (SUNTEP) Operational Highlights 2012-2013

SUNTEP Saskatoon

Location: University of Saskatchewan

Staff Complement:

Murray Hamilton Program Coordinator

Kenneth Kutz Faculty

Cynthia Fey Faculty (One year leave of absence)
Melanie MacLean Faculty (One year leave of absence)

Wilfred Burton Faculty (One year term)
Louise Legare Faculty (One year term)
Ruth Daniels Administrative Assistant

Student Update:

As of September 1, 2012, SUNTEP Saskatoon had a total enrolment of 81 students. This is an increase of about 10 percent from 74 students enrolled one year ago. The number of male students declined from 10 to nine while female enrolment rose from 64 to 72, or 12 percent, between 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 academic years.

	Female	Male	Total
Year 1	21	2	23
Year 2	16	3	19
Year 3	21	0	21
Year 4	14	4	18
Total	72	9	81

Centre Activities/Program Highlights:

April 2012 was a busy and exciting month for the staff and students of SUNTEP Saskatoon. On April27, 2012 the Program Coordinator and two students participated in a Career Fair in Île-à-la-Crosse. On April 25 and 26, 2012 a number of second and third year students volunteered at the Annual Awasis Aboriginal Education conference. This was an awesome opportunity to connect with former students and engage with other professionals and presenters. The same month, SUNTEP Saskatoon was represented at the SaskTel Aboriginal Youth Awards of Excellence ceremony where one of our students, Tara Desroches, received an award for academic excellence. Our students also attended the SUNTEP Regina graduation celebration.

In May, the second and third year students went on their practicum placements at schools across the province. Interviews of prospective new students were held between May 28 and June 1, 2012. The staff and faculty always enjoy the opportunity to meet with new and aspiring students. On June 7, 2012 the SUNTEP Saskatoon Program Coordinator was one of the masters of ceremony at the Saskatoon Indian and Métis Friendship Centre's Annual Native Graduate Recognition Night for Métis, First Nations and Inuit students who have successfully completed Grade 12 at a school within Saskatoon. Several SUNTEP Saskatoon students volunteered at the event.

On June 13, 2012, SUNTEP Saskatoon faculty attended the University of Saskatchewan College of Education retreat. There was considerable discussion regarding the implementation of the College's new undergraduate teacher education program (Bachelor of Education – Program 2012).

Current and former students volunteered at the Back to Batoche Days celebrations. In August 2012, SUNTEP Saskatoon faculty Cynthia Fey and Melanie MacLean both took one year leaves of absence. Ms. Fey took a position with the College of Education's Field Experiences office while Ms. MacLean used her leave to work toward the completion of her doctoral studies. Wilfred Burton, a former instructor at SUNTEP Regina, and Louise Legare, previously with the University of Saskatchewan's Indian Teacher Education Program (ITEP) and SUNTEP Prince Albert, agreed to fill the vacant faculty positions.

Fourth year students began their internships in August and we are pleased to report that all were successful. In customary fashion, SUNTEP Saskatoon started off another year with a very enjoyable orientation visit to the Batoche National Historic Site.

2012-2013 Highlights

- GDI Executive Director Geordy McCaffrey, Mike Relland of SUNTEP Prince Albert, and Murray Hamilton met with Dr. Luigi Benedicenti, Associate Vice President (Academic), University of Regina to discuss new partnerships with the University.
- SUNTEP Saskatoon officials and student leaders met with Paul Martin Scholarship Foundation representatives.
- SUNTEP Saskatoon submitted its views to The Joint Task Force on Improving Education and Employment Outcomes for First Nations and Métis People in Saskatchewan (the final report of the Joint Task Force is available at http://www.jointtaskforce.ca).
- SUNTEP Saskatoon hosted Dr. Vilma Paez, Head of the Department of Foreign Languages, Canadian Studies, and International Relations at the University of Holguin, Cuba.
- SUNTEP Saskatoon was invited to participate in Indigenous Student Council

- Funding Partnership with the University of Saskatchewan.
- SUNTEP Saskatoon staff, faculty and students participated in "Metissage Colloquium" at the University of Regina.
- SUNTEP Saskatoon students attended CBC Town Hall on Education held at the University of Saskatchewan.
- Program Coordinator and students attended Gabriel Dumont Institute AGM.
- A delegation of staff and students attended Saskatchewan School Boards Association Conference.
- SUNTEP Saskatoon students hosted a very successful Louis Riel Day event with Russell Fayant, an Instructor at SUNTEP Regina, as guest speaker.
- SUNTEP Saskatoon hosted Hartmut Lutz, a professor of American and Canadian studies at the University of Greifswald, Germany. Dr. Lutz is a recipient of The Canada Council for the Arts' John G. Diefenbaker Award to study history of Aboriginal literature.
- We held the annual SUNTEP Saskatoon Children's Christmas Party.
- Students and staff participated at the 'Improving Education and Employment Outcomes' event organized by Métis Nation-Saskatchewan at the Central Urban Métis Federation Inc.
- Third year student Chantelle Fransoo left to study abroad at UMEA University in Norway.
- Many SUNTEP Saskatoon students were involved with Idle No More Movement.
- Staff and second year students took a trip to Red River to conduct research in the Hudson Bay Archives and to visit Métis historical sites.
- The Program Coordinator and two students attended Career Fair in Meadow Lake; this was also an opportunity to reconnect with the many SUNTEP Saskatoon alumni in Meadow Lake and district.
- The Program Coordinator attended and presented a paper at the Métis National Council Industry and Education Roundtable in Vancouver on behalf of the Gabriel Dumont Institute.
- Student Representative Council won Indigenous Students' Council Leadership Award for the most active student council at the University of Saskatchewan.

SUNTEP Saskatoon 2013 Graduates:

Jori Baptist Courtney Blatz James Carriere Tara Desroches Jamie Dogniez Brittany Fedler Elizabeth Hudon Matthew Jacoby Randy Johnson Joshua Lapointe Teesha Mackenzie Jenna Reimer Danika Shewchuk Kavla Skilliter Taylor Stromberg Angela Walters

Five months after graduation the job status of SUNTEP Saskatoon was as follows: Jori Baptist, Courtney Blatz, and Jamie Dogniez were working with Saskatoon Public Schools; Tara Desroches and Kayla Skilliter were with Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools; Elizabeth Hudon and Randy Johnson with Prince Albert Catholic School Division and Catholic School Division North Battleford respectively; James Carriere was teaching at Whitecap Dakota First Nation; Angela Walter is working at the Willow Cree Healing Lodge in Duck Lake, Saskatchewan (Corrections Canada). Teesha Mackenzie got a non-teaching job; Mathew Jacoby and Joshua Lapointe are travelling overseas; and employment status for Brittany Fedler, Danika Shewchuk, Jenna Reimer, and Taylor Stromberg are unknown.

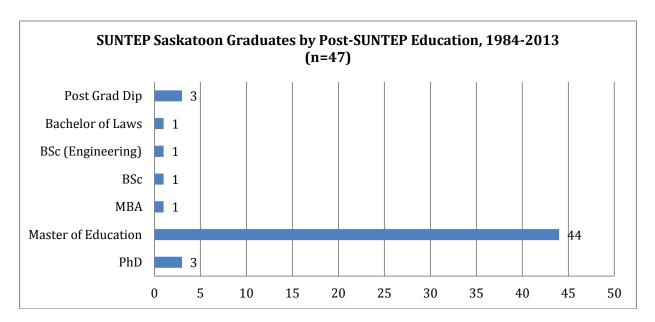
SUNTEP Saskatoon 2013 Graduates' Employment:

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SUNTEP Saskatoon Graduates Who Received Further Education, 1984-2013

SUNTEP Saskatoon graduated its inaugural class in 1984 when it awarded three Bachelor of Education degrees and four non-degree credentials. As of 2013, SUNTEP Saskatoon has awarded a total of 387 Bachelor of Education degrees to Aboriginal students. Of the 387 graduates, 47 (or 12%) have proceeded to further education and earned a total of 54 post-SUNTEP credentials including

postgraduate diplomas, master's degrees, and PhDs in a number of areas as shown below.



SUNTEP Regina

Location: University of Regina

Staff Complement:

Janice R. Thompson Program Coordinator Erma Taylor Administrative Assistant

Russell Fayant Faculty
Brenna LaPlante Faculty
Jennifer Reid-Vandevord Faculty

Student Update

	Female	Male	Total
Year 1	9	3	12
Year 2	12	1	13
Year 3	5	1	6
Year 4	4	1	5
Total	30	6	36

Program Highlights

- A staff turnover at the Regina centre resulted in the hiring of three new staff members. Program Coordinator, Janice R. Thompson, and Faculty members, Brenna LaPlante and Jennifer-Reid-Vandevord are all alumni of the SUNTEP Regina program. Their exceptional education experiences, expertise and knowledge blend well with the Regina centre.
- Maintaining our partnership with McDermid Elementary Community School continues to enhance our experiences in the community and in the school. A monthly award which honours and celebrates an elementary student from kindergarten to Grade eight who practices and displays the values of school, community, and self from the Métis community is celebrated, alongside the continued support our SUNTEP students receive during their classroom placements.
- Program Coordinator Janice R. Thompson participated in the 4th Annual Sports for Life: Indigenous Youth, Health, and the Future of Saskatchewan conference. Hosted by SUNTEP Regina, the University of Regina, Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies, and the North American Indigenous Games, this event creates an opportunity to promote our program among Aboriginal youth across Saskatchewan.

Awards and Scholarships presented during 2012-2013 and at graduation

- The Faculty of Education University of Regina held its annual spring "Academic Excellence" student recognition reception. Eight of our current students were recognized for their exceptional academic achievement in the 2012-2013 academic year. The students, Garrett Legare, Sydney Lemieux, Melissa Bergbusch, Shyloa Jarrett, Dallas Monpetit, Leah Novak, Patrick Unrau, and Jenel Markwart attended and received their awards. All SUNTEP staff attended the event and are proud of our students' achievements.
- The David Amyotte Memorial Scholarship was presented to graduate Dennis Pepin. This award was established by the Amyotte family to recognize those students who promote Aboriginal culture in the classroom, demonstrate teaching potential and leadership in the SUNTEP program, and promote the goals of cross-cultural education, much as David did during his time as a SUNTEP student and teacher.
- The Spirit of SUNTEP was awarded to graduate Nicole Thomson. This award recognizes community leadership and involvement by SUNTEP students and is given to a member of the graduating class who has demonstrated the spirit of SUNTEP as visualized by the Métis people of Saskatchewan. The award was established 32 years ago.
- The Lebret Métis Cultural Days Award was awarded to Cassandra Fisher. Established in 2010, this award is a ten year scholarship project at the request of the Lebret Métis Cultural Days Committee. The purpose of the scholarship is to recognize academic achievement, financial need, and community involvement. This award also seeks to recognize Métis students who have a current or historical connection to the traditional Métis settlement of Lebret.
- Special congratulations to fourth year student, Jenel Markwart (daughter of a SUNTEP Prince Albert grad), who was consistently honoured in both applying and receiving several scholarships, bursaries and awards during her four years in the program. Jenel remained on the University of Regina's Faculty of Education Dean's List with Academic Gold medal for eight consecutive semesters. Jenel also received the University of Regina President's Medal at the 2013 spring convocation for having demonstrated the strongest combination of academic excellence and extra-curricular leadership during her undergraduate degree. This was the first time in SUNTEP Regina's history that the University of Regina's President's Medal was awarded to a SUNTEP student. Jenel graduated with great distinction, and after being sought by numerous school divisions in Saskatchewan she has chosen to establish her teaching career with Regina Public Schools.

Jenel's picture was on the cover of *Education News* (Spring/Summer 2013), a Faculty of Education University of Regina publication.

Centre Activities and Program Development

The SUNTEP Regina students actively participated in professional and cultural modules throughout the academic year. These included:

Riel Walking Tour – Russell Fayant, a member of faculty, led the walking tour of historic downtown Regina,

Tipi Raising – led by Jarrell Thomson, Facilitator and Elder Eliza Smith.

SUNTEP students also met with:

- Ministry of Education English Language Arts Curriculum Unit -Consultant Maureen Braun.
- Métis Nation-Saskatchewan Education & Employment Task Force -Larry McCallum, Education Program Coordinator.
- Regina Red Cross RespectED violence and abuse prevention program in public schools - Diane Francoeur, Coordinator.
- o SUNTEP Inquiry Based Learning Jennifer Reid-Vandevord, Faculty.
- o *Information Technology* Jo Szostak, Consultant.
- Treaties in the Classroom Leah McDonald, Facilitator and Elder Noel Starblanket.
- o Métis History and Storytelling Elder Joe Walsh.
- Collaborating with the University of Regina, Institut Français, a Forum and Panel Talk was held to create dialogue between academics, artists, community members and students around the concept of Métissage in contemporary experiences. The annual event included three of our bilingual SUNTEP Regina students who represented our Métis community and shared their experiences with other Francophone and First Nations students during the dialogue.
- The launch of the annual Saskatchewan Proud Generations Calendar 2013
 was held at the Regina Mackenzie Art Gallery. One of the calendar's
 featured youth role model was our own fourth year SUNTEP Regina student,
 Jenel Markwart.
- A new SUNTEP Regina promotional banner stands have been completed and include a NEW QR Code. With recruitment a continued priority at SUNTEP Regina, Program Coordinator Janice R. Thompson and Faculty member Russell Fayant attended multiple meetings with Regina Catholic School Board and Regina Public School Board to ensure our program information is supported in the respective school divisions for future and continued

recruitment efforts.

- In collaboration with the University of Regina Faculty of Education Associate Professor Dr. Shauneen Pete, SUNTEP Regina Faculty members Russell Fayant, Brenna LaPlante, and Jennifer Reid-Vandevord participated in a research project entitled: *Indigenous Faculty Talking about Curricula*. This project established invaluable support for SUNTEP Regina and the Faculty of Education toward meeting the needs of the Indigenization plan at the University of Regina.
- SUNTEP Faculty member and invited guest speaker Russell Fayant attended various special events during the 2012-2013 year:
 - Métissage: First Nations, Métis and Fransaskois Métissage explores what it means to have mixed Aboriginal and French
 - Louis Riel Walking Tour Dumont Technical Institute Lecture
 - o University of Saskatchewan, SUNTEP Louis Riel lecture
 - University of Regina, Aboriginal Student Centre Lecture, Louis Riel and his contributions to the Métis people and Canada
 - University of Regina, Talkin' about school and society: First Nations,
 Inuit and Métis Education: where are we at? Panel and lecture
 - Yes! That's Métis! Gabriel Dumont Institute Curricular Workshop Métis and Louis Riel in Outdoor Education - Lecture with the Saskatoon Eco-Justice Club and the RCMP Depot Division.
- Program Coordinator Janice R. Thompson and Faculty member Russell Fayant attended the invitation only reception and screening of the CBC Saskatchewan, and Regina & District Chamber of Commerce event. The event premiered a special program filmed in North Central Regina about the challenges Aboriginal and inner city youth face with employment. Present were Premier Brad Wall and members of the Provincial Cabinet.
- Program Coordinator Janice R. Thompson was invited by the Dean of Education to attend the hosted University of Regina, Joint Task Force luncheon and meeting. Promoting and enhancing Métis education and employment outcomes was discussed at the meeting.

Student Awards and Accomplishments

 Recipients of Métis Training and Employment scholarships for the 2012-2013 academic year:

Year 4	
Markwart, Jenel	
Potetz, Coralie	

• Awards, Scholarships, & Bursaries — Fall 2012 and Winter 2013 semesters:

Year 1	
Gervais, Alicia	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary
Gervais, Tyler	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary
Legare, Garrett	CIC Aboriginal Bursary
Legare, carrett	Napoleon Lafontaine Scholarship
	University of Regina Aboriginal Entrance Award
	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary
Reiss, Alicia	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary
Thrun, Hannah	Doreen Burns Memorial Scholarship
Year 2	Borcen Burns Piemoriai Scholarship
Beauregard, Trenna	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary
Burzminski, Dalton	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary (x2)
Fisher, Cassandra	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary
Murray, Audie	
	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary (x2)
Parisien, Victoria	CIC Aboriginal Bursary
	Grand & Toy Bursary
	Saskatchewan Gaming Scholarship
D. H. L. T. L.	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary
Pelletier, Taylor	University of Regina Provincial Sport Governing
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Tourond-Bouvier, Tresley	University of Regina Academic Silver Scholarship
Year 3	Douban David Rumann
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	University of Regina Aboriginal Bursary						
	CIC Aboriginal Bursary						

SUNTEP Regina 2013 Graduates

The 30th annual SUNTEP Regina graduation ceremony was held at the Delta Hotel Regina on Friday, May 10, 2013 for five graduating SUNTEP students. The celebration was attended by well over two hundred and fifty family, friends, students, and invited guests. The graduation theme chosen was a "Celebration of Learning".

- 1. Ashley Luce
- 2. Jenel Markwart
- 3. Dennis Pepin
- 4. Coralie Potetz
- 5. Nicole Thomson

SUNTEP Regina 2013 Graduates' Employment

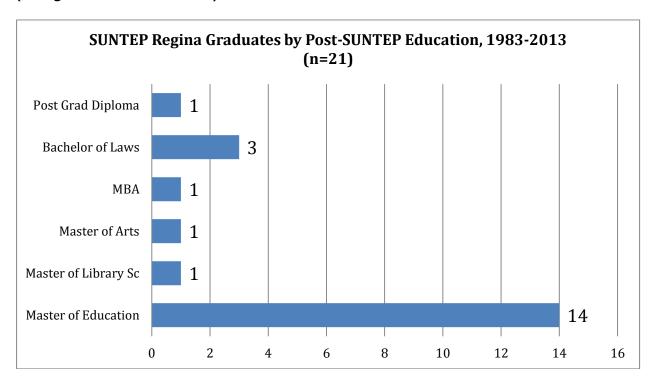
The five graduates received employment offers before or soon after graduating. Four, all female, are working as teachers in public schools, while one, a male, works at a First Nations school as shown in the figure below.

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SUNTEP Regina Graduates Who Received Further Education, 1983-2013

Since its inception, SUNTEP Regina has graduated 238 Aboriginal teachers. Of these, 21 (or about nine percent) have gone on to further their studies in such diverse fields law, indigenous governance, business, education, and library science. Of those who continued their studies, 14 (66.6%) received Master of Education degrees, three (14.2%) received Bachelor of Law degrees, and one (4.7%) each received a Post Graduate Diploma, Master of Business

Administration, Master of Library Sciences and Information, and Master of Arts (Indigenous Governance) as shown in the Chart below.





SUNTEP Regina class of 2013 from left to right: Ashley Luce, Jenel Markwart, Coralie Potetz, Dennis Pepin, and Nicole Thomson. Photo by Janice R. Thompson.

SUNTEP Prince Albert

Location: GDI Centre, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan

Staff Complement:

Michael Relland Program Coordinator
Donna Biggins Administrative Assistant

Sandy Sherwin-Shields Faculty
Linda Lysyk Faculty
Leah Dorion Faculty
Corey Teeter Faculty
Liza Brown Faculty

Student Update

As of August 26, 2012 we had a total enrolment of 90 students, enrolled as follows,

	Female	Male	Total
Year 1	27	2	29
Year 2	16	4	20
Year 3	19	4	23
Year 4	11	7	18
Total	73	17	90

Centre Activities

The Centre began the 2012-2013 school year with its annual orientation. The new students took part in a two day orientation with the staff and Student Representative Council (SRC). They had a full day of information and a full day at Batoche.

The following week, all SUNTEP students were at the annual fall cultural camp at Camp Kinasao in Christopher Lake. The weather was beautiful, the food was excellent, and the elders and resource people provided a great opportunity to learn in an enjoyable environment. SUNTEP Regina third year students and some staff also joined us for the camp and it was great to have them there to participate and share in the experience.

The SUNTEP Prince Alberta SRC and Cultural Committee provided various events and professional development opportunities for the students and staff. Some of the events were for community building while others were specific to the education profession or Métis and First Nation Cultures.

In Term one, the classes went as planned and the newly renovated classroom on the main floor was appreciated by many. In Term two the classes went as planned and the year was completed June 21, 2013.

The field experience for years one to three took place in the Saskatchewan Rivers School Division, Catholic School Division and also a few of the First Nation Band Schools in the area. Sandy Sherwin-Shields arranged for the placements in all the schools. Michael Relland and Corey Teeter set up the first year students' field experience expectations and supervised them while on placement at a local community school; Linda Lysyk did the same for the second year students and Liza Brown for the third year students. Leah Dorion and Sandy assisted with any supervision as was required.

The SUNTEP Theatre class adapted and performed a play called "Cheque, Please" at Wesley United Church. The final performance was a Dinner Theatre that was well attended and received great reviews.

Donna Biggins, Liza Brown, and Michael Relland attended "Degree Works" inservice at the University of Saskatchewan. Degree Works is a technological tool that was implemented by the University of Saskatchewan in 2012 to help students monitor their academic progress toward completion of their studies.

Many students were involved with Idle No More Movement.

After 20 years with SUNTEP Prince Albert as program coordinator and member of faculty, Michael Relland accepted a position as coordinator of the GDI-University of Regina Community-Based Master of Education program offered at the GDI Centre in Prince Albert. SUNTEP Prince Albert students honoured Michael at a surprise event in mid-June where they presented him with a starblanket, expressed their gratitude, and wished him well.

SUNTEP Prince Albert 2013 Graduation Update

The Graduation of 2013 was held at the E.A. Rawlinson Centre on May 17, 2013 during which 15 new teachers graduated with Bachelor of Education degrees. Third year students and members of staff assisted Liza and Sandy to host the graduation celebration. There were a number of dignitaries in attendance including representatives of Gabriel Dumont Institute, Saskatchewan Rivers School Division, Prince Albert Grand Council, and the University of Saskatchewan, plus we had a Gabriel Dumont Institute photographer taking pictures. Entertainment was provided by The Northern Prairie Dancers which is led by Marlene Bear. Carrie Underwoods' "Whenever You Remember Me" was the graduation theme song.

Two awards were presented to the graduating students at the event. The Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan Award which is presented to graduating student who has shown outstanding community leadership and teaching excellence was awarded to Jamie Subchyshyn who received the award from her grandfather, Mr. Al Subchyshyn who is a retired teacher. Jamie stated that "SUNTEP welcomed me and made me find my strength."

SaskEnergy Sharing the Warmth Award is presented to a student in recognition of his/her involvement in schools and the community, supporting fellow classmates, and volunteer work. Dallas Charles was the 2013 recipient. Dallas thanked all those who have supported him throughout his studies. Michael Relland and Elder Vivian Meabry performed the ceremonial tying of the sash onto the graduates to conclude the event.

SUNTEP Prince Albert 2013 Graduates

- 1. Brandon Basaraba
- 2. Dallas Charles
- 3. Ryan Gareau
- 4. Ashley Grimard
- 5. Janelle Hudon
- 6. Erin Lamont
- 7. Morgan Larocque
- 8. Elizabeth MacAuley
- 9. Sheena Mulholland
- 10. Ashlee Parras
- 11. Kevin Sayese
- 12. Jamie Subchyshyn
- 13. Sonya Tichkowsky
- 14. Tanva Weathered
- 15. Mervin Whitehead

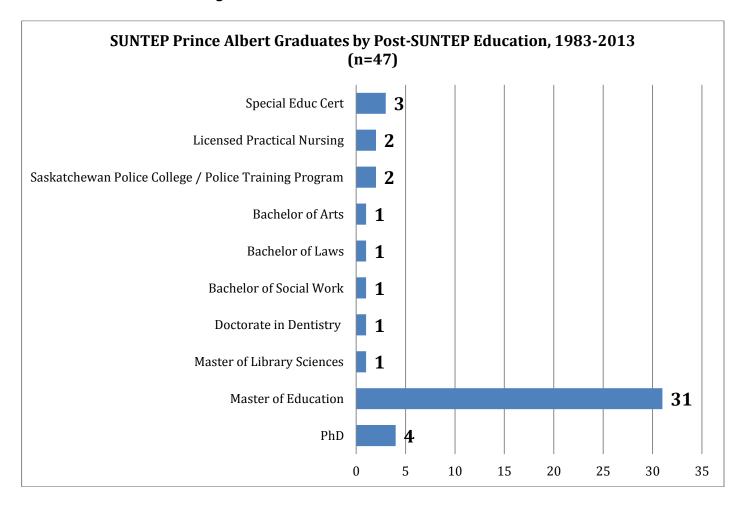
SUNTEP Prince Albert 2013 Graduates' Employment Status

All the 15 graduates are working as teachers – 14 in Saskatchewan and one in Alberta. Their employment status by employer is summarized in the table below.

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SUNTEP Prince Albert Graduates Who Received Further Education, 1983-2013

As of 2013, 455 Aboriginal students have graduated with a Bachelor of Education degree from SUNTEP Prince Albert. Of these, 42 (or 9.2%) have completed post-SUNTEP studies in 45 different fields including postgraduate certificates, and masters and doctoral degrees as shown below.



SUNTEP Prince Alberta Class of 2013



SUNTEP PA 2013 Graduates

Back L to R: Mervin Whitehead, Ashlee Parras, Morgan Laroque, Erin Lamont,

Janelle Hudon, and Kevin Sayese

Front: Tanya Weathered, Elizabeth MacAuley, Jamie Subchyshyn, Ashley Grimard,

Dallas Charles, and Brandon Basaraba

SUNTEP Prince Alberta Spring Cultural Camp, 2013: Porcupine Quill Earrings Workshop





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Mini- Canoe Making Workshop





Starblanket Workshop





Cultural Committee Starblanket for Michael Relland



Michael Relland with his Starblanket

