# THE AL AND BEE WAGNER INDIGENOUS STUDENT TRANSITION PROGRAM

"The first year of university can be overwhelming, but this program allows for adapting to university life that much easier. Having this program to use and guide us on navigating university was so helpful! Would highly recommend!"

# **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Brandon University and the Indigenous Peoples' Centre is proud to offer the Al and Bee Wagner Indigenous Student Transition Program. The program offers transitioning support to Indigenous students starting their education at Brandon University under four pillars: academic, social, personal and cultural.

Students will have support from committed staff and mentors, including traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders, as well as strong peer-group support. There will be a wide range of culturally appropriate supports and resources. We will have a small cohort of students so that they can benefit from personalized attention that is Brandon University's hallmark. The cohort meets throughout the school year to get academic support, personal supports from Student Services Counsellors and Knowledge Keepers. Students will have a weekly one on one check in with the Transition Program Coordinator.

"The check ins were very helpful. It was nice to speak with the coordinator during this new experience. She gave me a sense of clarity and understanding."



#### ORIENTATION

Students accepted into the Al and Bee Wagner Indigenous Student Transition Program will take part in an extended week long orientation at the end of August. We will look at: learning to learn, learning how to study, how to do research and how to write a paper. Our orientation will help students build connections by experiencing a sense of belonging and inclusion.

"It was really helpful for me and I found out about a lot of resources that I wouldn't have known about otherwise."

## WHO CAN APPLY

Canadian Indigenous first year students that have been accepted to Brandon University. There is no additional application fee for this transition program (students must still pay the application fee to the university).

#### HOW TO APPLY

Applying is simple. Please complete and submit the following online form.



Scan the QR code to view the online form.





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