

Message from the Minister

I am pleased to present the 2011-12 highlights for the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration.

The Ministry has continued to focus on the province's labour

market needs by building on record investments in post-secondary education and skills training with significant support for First Nations and Métis peoples as well as measures to attract and retain skilled workers from across Canada and around the world.

This document provides an executive summary of the more detailed annual report and highlights the Ministry's most notable achievements in 2011-12.

For more information on the Ministry's results, please see the Ministry's 2011-12 Annual Report, or visit the Ministry's website at www.aeei.gov.sk.ca.

The Honourable Don Morgan Minister of Advanced Education

Mission Statement:

The Ministry provides leadership and resources to foster a high-quality advanced education and training system; and provides employment and immigration services to develop a workforce that responds to the needs of Saskatchewan's people and economy.





For more information on the Ministry, see www.aeei.gov.sk.ca or call 306-787-9478.



Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration 2011-12 Annual Report Highlights



Ministry Overview

In 2011-12, the Ministry employed staff in the central offices in Regina and 19 Canada-Saskatchewan Career and Employment Services offices across the province. The Ministry also has an Immigration office in Saskatoon.

The Ministry works in partnership with the private sector, community organizations and educational institutions to achieve its desired outcomes.

In terms of financial assistance for students, the Ministry administers several federal and provincial programs that provide repayable and non-repayable financial assistance to qualified Saskatchewan residents enrolling in approved programs of study.

The Ministry manages and markets the www.saskjobs.ca website, which helps Saskatchewan employers recruit educated and skilled individuals and provides job seekers with the opportunity to join Saskatchewan's workforce.

The Ministry supports Government's goal of sustained economic growth, ensuring that Saskatchewan meets the challenges of population and economic growth so that all citizens benefit from the province's prosperity.



The Ministry of Advanced **Education, Employment and** Immigration: Providing Excellent Services to Clients

- Nearly 85,000 job orders posted on saskjobs.ca.
- Over 3.3 million visitors to saskjobs.ca.
- · 510,000 walk-in visits to Career and Employment Services (CES) offices.
- · Almost 12,000 CES clients participated in orientation, group services, job searches and referrals.
- Over 1,500 Employment Insurance clients received financial assistance to help them with re-training related costs.
- Enrolment of over 76,000 at post-secondary
- Over 12,000 Graduate Retention Program certificates issued to post-secondary graduates.
- Provided financial support for over 3,500 individuals under the Employability Assistance for Persons with Disabilities.
- 16,000 tax slips issued, totaling close to \$65 million in student financial assistance
- Administered Provincial Training Allowance payments to nearly 4,800 students.
- 18 Immigration Services fact sheets were developed in 24 languages.
- 11 Regional Gateways provided services to newcomers across Saskatchewan.



2011-12

Actual

(000s)

\$859.199

VISION

A secure and prosperous Saskatchewan, leading the country in economic and population growth, while providing a high quality of life for all.



Our 2011-12 Significant Achievements

Sustaining Economic Growth....

- Targeted \$7 million in Adult Basic Education and Provincial Training Allowance funds for First Nations and Métis students.
- Announced Joint Task Force on Improving First Nations and Métis Education and Employment Outcomes.
- Nominated 4,072 immigrants in 2011-12 to help meet Saskatchewan's labour market needs.
- Disbursed Saskatchewan Student Loans to almost 13,000 full-time students.
- Recorded a 62% increase in the number of Aboriginal journeypersons.

Securing Saskatchewan...

- Invested \$107 million in support for students through such programs as Student Loans, Provincial Training Allowance and Graduate Retention Program.
- Provided \$24.6 million to limit tuition increases at Saskatchewan's universities, SIAST and Regional Colleges.
- Introduced legislation to expand degree-granting authority in the postsecondary system.
- Provided \$11.5 million through the Innovation and Science Fund to researchers at the University of Regina and University of Saskatchewan, including \$5.5 million for the International Vaccine Centre.
- Established a plan to improve governance, accountability and performance at Regional Colleges.
- Advised 7,100 newcomers through Settlement Advisory Program.

Keeping Promises...

- Implemented the Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship providing \$3 million in government matching funds for students.
- Provided funds to continue the expansion of nursing and physician training seats.



(000s)

\$3,294





2011-12

Budget

(000s)

\$855.905

Financial Summary