





<u>Dehcho First Nations and Dechinta Center for Research and Learning</u> <u>Yundaa Gogha (For the Future), Dehcho Program 2020</u>

<u>Dates:</u> June 5-25th, 2020 (dates are subject to minor changes)

Elders and leadership in the Dehcho often speak about "Yundaa Gogha" – "For the future". This was chosen as the project name, as it embodies what the principals of the trip, teaching and building upon the skills of people "For the Future"

The canoe semester will be jointly offered by Dehcho First Nations and Dechinta. Through this partnership participants will receive post-secondary education credits in the course "Our Land, our Life": This will be taught through being on the land, and will have a focus on enhancing leadership skills of the participants through the following focus areas:

- 1. Dene Zhati Language & Culture
- 2. Land based skills
- 3. Decolonization
- 4. Dehcho History, and current reality
- 5. Indigenous Land Stewardship
- 6. Health and Wellness

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The group will be canoeing on the Dehcho River, 12 participants, aged 18+

Prioritization will be given to participants from the Dehcho region and who are descendents of the Dehcho. If you are not a descendant or a member of Dehcho First Nations your application may still be considered.

Participants will meet in a Dehcho Community along the river (exact location TBA) then travel by canoe to Jean Marie River, where they will then join the Dehcho Assembly. After the assembly people may return to their home communities.

Fees:

Tuition fees to the University of Alberta will be \$582. Scholarships are available to Dehcho First Nations members and descendants. If required, scholarship opportunities may be available through application to Dechinta Centre for Research and Learning.

There are no program fees.

Travel, meals and some camping gear (tents, dry bags etc.) will be covered.

Application Process:

There will be a two-phase process. Dehcho First Nations or Dechinta staff will be available for application support should you require it.

Phase one:

Fill out the application provided by Dehcho First Nations or Dechinta (www.dechinta.ca) and submit it to Dehcho First Nations or Dechinta by March 16, 2020

Phase two:

Fill out the additional forms provided by Dehcho First Nations or Dechinta and submit it to Dehcho First Nations or Dechinta by April 9, 2020

This includes application to the University of Alberta, highschool and previous university transcripts

(Note: applications will <u>NOT</u> be assessed on previous post-secondary or highschool achievement)

Phase three:

You will be contacted by Dehcho First Nations or Dechinta stating your acceptance or denial.

You will be sent additional information on the trip.

Should you have any further questions please contact Kristen Tanche at 867-695-2355 or at kristen_tanche@dehcho.org or Kelsey at Dechinta at 867 445 1897 admin@dechinta.ca