



Lakehead Men's Basketball Program Moves in New Direction

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Lakehead University's Department of Athletics announced, today, that Manny Furtado will no longer be the Head Coach of its Men's Basketball program.

"Lakehead University has decided to move in a new direction with its men's basketball program," said Lakehead University Athletics Director, Tom Warden. "We'd like to thank Manny for his work and dedication to the program."

Furtado came to Lakehead in 2014, after winning two Canadian Interuniversity Sport National Championships as assistant coach with the Carleton University Ravens.

An interim coach will be appointed, soon, who is expected to guide the team through the remainder of the 2017-2018 season.

At this time, all questions can be directed to Lakehead University Athletics Director, Tom Warden.

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Lakehead University has approximately 9,700 full-time equivalent students and 2,000 faculty and staff in 10 faculties at two campuses in Orillia and Thunder Bay, Ontario. Lakehead is a fully comprehensive university: home to Ontario's newest Faculty of Law in 44 years, the Northern Ontario School of Medicine, and faculties of Engineering, Business Administration, Health & Behavioural Sciences, Social Sciences & Humanities, Science & Environmental Studies, Natural Resources Management, Education, and Graduate Studies. *Maclean's 2018 University Rankings* place Lakehead University among Canada's Top 10 primarily undergraduate universities, as well as first in Total Research Dollars, second for Citations, and third for Scholarships and Bursaries. In 2017, *Research Infosource* named Lakehead *Research University of the Year* in its category for the third consecutive year. Visit www.lakeheadu.ca.