

## **Indigenous Student Success Program, University of Saskatchewan College of Engineering**

The University of Saskatchewan College of Engineering Indigenous Student Success Program will support Indigenous students on their path to becoming professional engineers. Students moving from rural and remote communities to start their first year of engineering will have the opportunity to attend a two week summer bridging program that will help them become familiar with the city, be comfortable on campus, and get ready to start taking classes. Students will also tour companies from the minerals sector, allowing them to experience the exciting workplaces of their future profession. Once students start classes they will receive academic, social, personal, career and financial supports to help them overcome any barriers they might face in becoming successful engineering students. Upper-year student role models in engineering will be hired as Indigenous Student Ambassadors to help provide peer mentorship and holistic supports to first-year students. This project will help students successfully obtain engineering degrees, and provide the mining industry with the opportunity to hire Indigenous professional workers in technical and supervisory roles.