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## University College of the North Partners with Composites Innovation Centre

The University College of the North (UCN) recognized their partnership with the Composites Innovation Centre through a signing ceremony held on Thursday, April 11, 2019.

The partnership will see the creation of a near net-zero greenhouse on the grounds of the UCN Campus in The Pas. The Composites Innovation Centre has been working with the developers of such greenhouses to incorporate bio-composites into the construction. The greenhouse technology will be informed by the climate of The Pas and it is anticipated that a number of courses and programs at UCN will benefit from the processes involved in establishing the project and most certainly by incorporating the products of the greenhouse into curriculum.

“Just as an immediate thought, our Culinary Arts Program can incorporate growing and cultivating principles in their curriculum and I know would be thrilled to have fresh herbs and produce for their meal production. Really the possibilities of incorporating the net-zero philosophies and products into UCN programming are endless” said UCN’s President Doug Lauvstad.



Participants at the Signing Ceremony (from l-r)  
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