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One of Alberta's four universities, The University of Lethbridge was established January 1, 1967, having evolved from the University Section of the Lethbridge Junior College. Enrolment at the University has increased from 638 students in its first year of operation to approximately 1,530 full-time students last year.

In 1971, the University moved from its shared campus at the College to its present location on 457 acres in West Lethbridge. West Lethbridge is a growing sub-division in Lethbridge, Alberta's third largest city with a population of 50,000 people.

Designed by Vancouver architect Arthur Erickson, the "Campus in the Coulees" has received international acclaim for its architectural originality, functional design and spacious environment. Focal point of the campus is the visually stunning Academic/Residence Building which houses the majority of classrooms and laboratories, as well as residences for 362 students. Also located here are the library, administrative offices, bookstore and cafeteria.

The Physical Education/Fine Arts Building features both a large and a small gymnasium. Supporting areas include painting, sculpturing and drama studios, and an art gallery.

In October, 1978, the University began construction of the west wing of the campus plan. This second phase of the physical development consists of a large building to house the Departments of Art, Dramatic Arts, Music and the Fine Arts components in the Faculty of Education, along with a 412-seat theatre. It is expected to be ready for occupancy for the Fall Semester of 1980.

The U of L is a liberal arts, undergraduate university offering several degree programs in both Arts and Science and Education. In addition, it offers programs for transfer of credit to other universities in many professional faculties such as Agriculture and Forestry, Engineering and Pharmacy.

U of L's Continuing Education Division offers a wide variety of credit and non-credit courses, seminars and workshops, held evenings and weekends in Lethbridge and surrounding Southern Alberta centres.

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