Advancing Polish Culture

For over 60 years, the University of Manitoba has worked in partnership with our province’s Polish community - some 85,000 Manitobans - to foster and advance Polish language, culture and history and to ensure that the Polish experience remains a vibrant part of our province’s cultural fabric.

The Polish Studies Endowment Fund

The Polish Studies Endowment Fund was created to secure the continuous offering of language and culture courses on an annual basis. Today, the fund plays a critical role in keeping our program at the forefront of Polish studies in western Canada.

Established at the U of M by the Canadian Polish Congress, Manitoba Branch, this fund creates educational opportunities for our students both within and beyond the classroom. The fund also supports premier initiatives, including research-based courses like oral histories, as well as academic lectures, exhibits and events that engage with the Polish community.

The innovative programming is not limited to heritage learners, as Polish language and cultural studies courses also enhance learning for students engaged in fields such as medicine, economics, immigration studies, global networking, minority issues and cultural and linguistic communication.

Another unique initiative supported by the fund is the Summer Abroad Program in Krakow, Poland. Over a four week term, students from the U of M are immersed in Polish language, culture and history, while taking courses at Jagiellonian University in Krakow. The Summer Abroad program provides life changing experiences for our students, expanding their horizons and transforming them into global citizens.

Your Support

Our program is strong, but with your help we can make it even stronger.

By making a gift to the Polish Studies Endowment Fund at the University of Manitoba, you are not only helping to preserve and enhance the study of Polish culture in Manitoba, you are also making a positive impact in the lives of our students, creating new opportunities for them to discover their history and engage with their community.

Please make your gift today. Your support makes all the difference.

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