**Convocation 2015: Honorary Doctor of Laws, Michael Thrasher**

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Michael Thrasher speaking

It's a beautiful day, It's a great day to be here and my association with Trent has been a long one and for me its 40 years I think. There have been a lot of graduates before but I have not got a chance to say congratulations for your efforts and your hard work. It has been a pleasure to work with Trent all these years and I've gained a great deal by it and also I think the indigenous knowledge system has been given a place in Canadian society largely through efforts of this University. It is the finest native studies program that I have ever seen in the country.