Forward Vision Games announces the successful completion and report on their first Post Secondary collaboration with First Nation's University of Canada.

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Toronto, ON – Today, Forward Vision Games is excited to announce the successful completion of their innovative financial simulation game *The General Store Financial Game*, at First Nations University of Canada (FNUniv). The game was fully integrated into the new Financial Empowerment course, ADMIN 235 at FNUniv. It was a full semester course that ran from September 2016 – December 2016 and was delivered simultaneously in class and through distance in multiple communities.

The pilot was a tremendous success with students demonstrating improved financial planning skills, improved financial decision-making, and improved understanding of key financial literacy concepts. Based on the success of this pilot, Forward Vision Games looks forward to continued collaboration with First Nations University of Canada. This pilot project was generously supported by Conexus Credit Union and The Usand Group.

"Innovative uses of technology can reduce many barriers to academic success for First Nations students," commented David Sharpe, Chair of the Board of Governors at the University. "Besides being very proud of the students who excelled in the course, First Nations University is proud to be a leader in this space and to have created an important course that develops key leadership and financial capacity skills."

Forward Vision Games (FVG) is a leading education technology company and social enterprise. FVG creates cloud-based Financial Simulation Games for highs school and post secondary students built to satisfy new Financial Capacity goals for curriculums across Canada. FVG's is innovative in content and delivery as well as being unique in measuring outcomes, not just participation. Through experiential learning, students gain practical real world skills that directly impact their lives. Key outcomes include financial decision making, understanding financial risk, understanding what financial success is and the skills to create it in their own life. FVG's has a focus on Indigenous learners and is passionate about breaking down the barriers they face.

"I am really pleased with the progress students made throughout the course to develop critical financial literacy skills and knowledge. In particular, I'm very pleased with the progress made by students across a spectrum of prior knowledge and a spectrum of abilities. Students had the chance to advance their own skill set within the course and that is unique "

Dr. Bettina Schneider, Professor at First Nations University

"This was our most exciting pilot to date as we launched directly into so many communities and through distance education for the first time. It was very exciting to see our technology at work and the skill development of students. Having the top scores come from students studying on reserve is a milestone for what is possible now," said Forward Vision Games President, Meaghan Daly. "Foundational financial skills is a key 21st century skills all students need to prepare them for our innovation economy full of contract work, entrepreneurship opportunities and worker mobility."

Forward Vision Games encourages schools to enhance their curriculum and student outcomes by reaching out to FVG to start a new financial skills program or to enhance an existing program.

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