

Dr. Carlana Lindeman, Education Program Director

Carlana began her career in education in 1975 as a teacher and principal with the Lakehead Board of Education. She joined the Ontario Ministry of Education (EDU) and served as an Education Officer and Regional Manager for the Thunder Bay Regional Office. In her 18 years with EDU, she worked with provincially-funded school boards, and First Nation schools and organizations, to improve student achievement.

In July 2008, Carlana became the Education Program Director for the Martin Aboriginal Education Initiative. In that role, she supports various strategies and activities related to Aboriginal students across Canada.

She received her B.A., B.Ed. and M.Ed. from Lakehead University and her Ed.D. from OISE/UT. Carlana served as a member of the Ontario Special Education (English) Tribunal from 2008 to 2014, and was on Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada's National Selection Committee for the First Nations Student Success program for four years.

In June 2009, Carlana was awarded the Sandra D. Lang Lifetime Achievement Award by the Ontario government for the depth and quality of service she provided to students, families and communities across Ontario.