

Final Report: THEN/HiER Small Grants Program
Support for the GUMICH Curriculum Connections
Great Unsolved Mysteries in Canadian History Project
History Department, University of Victoria
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In 2009 THEN/HiER announced that funding would be provided through the Small Projects Grants Program to enable The Great Unsolved Mysteries in Canadian History Project (GUMICH) develop a new website tool for teachers. The bilingual Curriculum Connections tool is posted at:

<http://canadianmysteries.ca/en/curCon.php>

<http://canadianmysteries.ca/fr/curCon.php>

The goal of the project was to assist history educators in Canada by clearly showing, for each province or territory, the GUMICH learning materials that pertain to curriculum for their area. In order to do this the following work was done:

1. Analyzed the existing material on the GUMICH and MysteryQuests websites that indicates how teachers can fit the units into the provincial curricula.
2. Collected this information and developed draft Curriculum Connections for each province and territory.
3. Consulted with history teachers to request review and updates that incorporate curriculum reform since original links to courses identified. We contacted the Department of Education in every province and territory as well as some key associations of social studies teachers, including the Alberta Teachers' Association Social Studies Council, BC Social Studies Teachers' Association, Nova Scotia Social Studies Teachers' Association, Ontario History and Social Studies Teachers' Association and Manitoba Social Sciences Teachers' Association.
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5. French translation of new content.
6. Design of new website pages, programming.

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