



MEMORANDUM

To: Deans' Council  
Dalhousie Student Union  
Student Affairs Office  
Indigenous Advisory Council

From: Dr. Frank Harvey, Provost and Vice-President Academic (Acting) and Kevin Hewitt, Chair of Senate

Date: December 21, 2020

**Re: Senate approval of extension of academic amnesty for Indigenous Students re Saulnierville Action**

The Dalhousie Student Union has requested continued flexibility for Indigenous students who are participating in solidarity, support, and advocacy efforts in Saulnierville, NS to do so without academic penalty.

At its December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Dalhousie University Senate passed a motion supporting Indigenous students who wish to attend the action(s), as follows:

**MOTION:**

**THAT all individuals involved in teaching delivery at Dalhousie allow each Indigenous student participating in solidarity, support, and advocacy efforts in Saulnierville, NS to do so without academic penalty at least once per course, with additional requests granted by individual instructors in consultation with the Faculty. Amnesty requests are also subject to the following:**

- **Students are to inform their professors in advance if they plan on missing an assessment or submitting an assessment late in order to attend the action(s).**
- **Make-up assessment(s) will be subject to approval at the Faculty level in consultation with individual instructors as appropriate.**
- **Due to the ongoing nature of the situation, amnesty will be granted to Indigenous students until **April 30, 2021**.**