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# INDIGENOUS STUDIES (MINOR)

## **FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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## WHY CHOOSE INDIGENOUS STUDIES AT DAL?

Helping students understand and critically engage around our shared history and issues that face Canada's Indigenous people is the foundation of the Indigenous Studies minor program.

Learning from Indigenous scholars, you'll benefit from the perspectives and insights of instructors who have both lived and studied the topics under discussion.

In class, you will study treaty making in Canada, including the meaning of Aboriginal and treaty rights and Aboriginal title. You will develop an understanding of Indigenous identity, Indigenous representation in film and expression in contemporary art, land rights and the social, health and environmental impacts of land and resource development. You will learn the practical skills of how to engage with Indigenous communities in research.

Students who complete the Indigenous Studies minor will leave the program with a deeper understanding of Indigenous issues in political, social and economic contexts. These issues are of increasing importance as Canada moves toward reconciliation with Indigenous people.

Students in numerous disciplines will increasingly need to understand how their work impacts Indigenous people. From researchers working with Indigenous communities, to health experts working with Indigenous patients, or those wanting to do business with Indigenous clients, it is important that you be prepared to engage in respectful and knowledgeable ways.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The Indigenous Studies minor offers a diverse range of classes that reach across many disciplines, including history, political science, sociology, health, philosophy and music.

One of many minor programs offered through the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Indigenous Studies provides students with a wide range of perspectives and teaching approaches that will enrich your understanding of the Indigenous Peoples of Canada.

### WHAT CAN I DO?

A minor in Indigenous Studies as part of your bachelor's degree can prepare you for careers in Indigenous governance, land claim negotiations, politics, research, teaching, resource development, and more. A minor in Indigenous Studies showcases your knowledge in a way that sets you apart from those holding a similar degree.

## TOP 4 REASONS TO STUDY INDIGENOUS STUDIES AT DALHOUSIE:

**Enhance your degree:** An Indigenous Studies minor adds a unique distinction to a number of Bachelor's programs, including BA, BSc, BComm, BCS, BInf and BMgmt.

**Dal and beyond:** Our course offerings are accessible to students of other local post-secondary institutions.

**Deeper perspective:** Learn about the purpose, objectives, meaning, and limitations of the Calls To Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada.

**Expert faculty:** Learn from top scholars, knowledge holders, and people with lived experience in the field of Indigenous Studies.

### **QUESTIONS?**

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