



## GNDR 203 Indigenous Women in Canada

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**Course Description:**

This course will provide a general introduction to a wide range of themes and issues relating to the contemporary and historical experience of Indigenous womxn in Canada. Disrupting the settler construction of Indigenous peoples as deficient or as peoples whose greatest aspirations are/ought to be to become “civilized”, methods and processes of settler colonialism and their gendered impacts on Indigenous womxn are presented in tandem with Indigenous womxn’s strategies of survival, endurance, and perseverance as well as Indigenous womxn’s efforts to persist, revitalize, regenerate, and create new worlds based on their Indigenous knowledges, values, visions, and ways of being. This class is intentionally grounded in the Indigenous womxn-led, Canadian-based research culminating in “Reclaiming Power and Place: The Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls” (2019). Notions of the state (i.e. Canada, US) and state borders are disrupted with a focus on Indigenous nationhood and nation-specificity. Student final projects will be to amplify and instigate action around recommendations made in the report. This course is a hybrid course with asynchronous learning scheduled on Mondays through Brightspace and synchronous learning scheduled on Thursdays via Zoom.

**Objectives:** n/a as course is being revised in content and to suit an online learning environment.

**Key Readings for course:** as above

**Evaluation:** as above