



University
of Victoria

POLI 363 Indigenous Politics in Canada

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Course delivery: POLI 363 will be delivered online.

Course description: This course explores prevailing political narratives shaping the relationships between Indigenous nations, settler society, and the Canadian state and considers possibilities for Indigenous futures. Together we will interrogate the stories we have been told about Indigenous politics in Canada and consider our own positioning in relation to those narratives. Heeding calls from Indigenous communities to reject colonial permanence, this course will engage with Indigenous articulations of liberated futures.

Prerequisites: None

Course outcomes/objectives:

- Develop written and verbal communication through essay writing and discussion
- Review historical and contemporary context of the Indigenous-state relationship
- Explore narratives of liberation and future-building
- Examine power and intersections of race, gender, class, sexuality, (dis)ability in relation to governance

Topics may include:

Decolonization

Indigenous governance

Sovereignty

Resurgence movements

Indigenous futurisms

This summary provides an overall sense of the course and it is an official course outline. Detailed course outlines will be available for all registered students on the first day of class.