

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION OF THE INDIGENIZATION SUBCOMMITTEE

A STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE FACULTY OF EDUCATION, COMMUNITY, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Approved by Faculty Council on September 9, 2022.

1. MANDATE

The Subcommittee's mandate is to support, provide guidance, and advance Indigenization efforts of faculty and staff within the Faculty of Education, Community, and Human Development, and the university.

The Committee has a responsibility to foster a culture that is respectful and inclusive of Indigenous Peoples and supportive of Indigenous student success.

2. SUBCOMMITTEE GOALS

The Subcommittee shall

- a. provide support on the content and delivery of courses and programs that work towards decolonization, Indigenization, and reconciliation;
- b. encourage and provide opportunities for faculty members to decolonize and Indigenize their teaching and learning practices;
- c. raise awareness of and promote professional development educational opportunities for faculty to learn about issues impacting Indigenous Peoples;
- d. foster a culturally safe work and learning environment for Indigenous students, staff, and faculty;
- e. promote learning opportunities related to decolonization and Indigenization within UFV and the broader local community; and,
- f. support Iyaqawtxw (House of Transformation) by interacting with Faculty Council and other Indigenization Committees and Communities at UFV and in the Fraser Valley.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The Subcommittee shall consist of a minimum of three and a maximum of ten volunteer members of FECHD, ideally from diverse academic units. Every effort will be made to ensure that there are multiple members from Indigenous communities. Members shall serve a minimum of two years.

The Subcommittee may invite additional members committed to the same goals of the Subcommittee to serve. These members may include, but are not limited to, Elders, alumni, students, non-teaching faculty, members of the Teaching and Learning Advisory Council, staff of the Indigenous Affairs Office, and other interested UFV faculty and/or staff.

The Chair shall be determined through consensus annually.

4. MEETINGS AND REPORTING

The Subcommittee shall normally meet monthly during the academic year. The Subcommittee reports to FECHD Council and shall make its meeting notes available to Council members.

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The terms of reference for the Indigenization Subcommittee are to be reviewed every two years or when necessary.