School of Languages and Literatures – Winter 2024

INDG*1100 - Indigenous Language and Culture

Course Synopsis:

A beginning course in Anishinaabemowin language and Anishinaabe culture providing the fundamentals of verbs, commands, grammar, storytelling.

Students will be given brief history lessons of the Ojibwe-Anishinaabe; creation stories; the basic language structure; its vocabulary; its worldview; basic cultural protocols; storytelling; total physical response activities; appreciating the philosophy of mino-bimaadiziwin (good life) and native contemporary issues.

Students will use the basic forms of Anishinaabe language and culture are introduced through interactive discussions, readings, and audio-video material.

Pre-Requisite(s): none

Methods of Evaluation and Weights:

Bi-weekly Discussions	25%
Presentations (2 x 10 %) (in class)	20%
Short Story/Song Translation	20%
Reflection Paper	15%
Exam (in class)	20 %

Required Textbook

Niingewance, Patricia. *Talking Gookum's Language*. Lac Seul, Ontario: Mazinaate Press, 2019. Murdoch, Isaac. *The Trail of Nenaboozhoo and Other Creation Stories*. Neyaashiinigimiing, Ontario: Kegedonce Press, 2019.

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