

**INDIGSTU 2807F:
Indigenous Feminisms**

Western University, London, Ontario, Canada
Indigenous Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

Students explore Indigenous feminist frameworks and epistemologies to understand the participation of Indigenous women in social, political, and environmental movements. This course examines issues relating to the historical and contemporary experiences of Indigenous women feminists nationally and internationally. This course also considers Indigenous feminist analyses and Indigenous women's issues.

Method of Delivery: In person

Antirequisite(s): GSWS 2290F/G.

Prerequisite(s): Indigenous Studies 1020E or GSWS 1020E, or 1.0 course from Black Studies 1030F/G, GSWS 1021F/G, GSWS 1022F/G, GSWS 1024F/G, the former GSWS 1023F/G, the former GSWS 1030F/G, or special permission from the Program.

Extra Information: 3 lecture hours. Cross-listed with GSWS 2290F/G (not this academic 2026 year).

Course Weight: 0.50

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

We/I acknowledge that Western University is located on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek (Ah-nish-in-a-bek), Haudenosaunee (Ho-den-no-show-nee), Lūnaapéewak (Len-ahpay-wuk) and Chonnonton (Chun-ongk-ton) Nations, on lands connected with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum. With this, we/I respect the longstanding relationships that Indigenous Nations have to this land, as they are the original caretakers. We acknowledge historical and ongoing injustices that Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) endure in Canada, and we accept responsibility as a public institution to contribute toward revealing and correcting miseducation as well as renewing respectful relationships with Indigenous communities through our teaching, research and community service.

See: https://indigenous.uwo.ca/initiatives/land_acknowledgement.html

STATEMENT ON GENDER-BASED AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE:

Western [is committed to reducing incidents of gender-based and sexual violence](#) and providing compassionate support to anyone who has gone through these traumatic events. If you have experienced gender-based or sexual violence (either recently or in the past), you will find information about support services for survivors, including emergency contacts, [here](#). To connect with a case manager or set up an appointment, please contact support@uwo.ca.

COURSE READING MATERIALS:

1. Altamirano-Jiménez, Isabel, Sarah Nickel, Waaseyaa'sin Christine Sy, and Hōkūlani K. Aikau. *An Introduction to Indigenous Feminisms*. London: Routledge, 2025. ISBN: 9781032587509
2. Starblanket, Gina, ed. *Making Space for Indigenous Feminism*. 3rd ed. Halifax and Winnipeg: Fernwood Publishing, 2024. ISBN: 9781773635507

METHODS OF EVALUTION:

Grading Scheme and Assessment Dates

The methods by which student performance will be evaluated and the weight of each, including an exact timetable and schedule of assignments, is listed below.

<https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academicpolicies/exam/scheduling.pdf>

The overall course grade will be calculated as listed below:

ASSIGNMENTS		VALUE %	DUE DATE
1.	Participation (Lecture & Tutorial)	10%	Weekly
2.	Indigenous Feminist Land Acknowledgement	15%	Sept. 30, 2026
3.	Publishable Reading Review	20%	Oct. 28, 2026
4.	Indigenous Women Changemakers: 1. Research Report (15%) 2. Presentation (10%)	25%	Report: Nov. 18, 2026
			Presentation: Nov. 25, 2026
5.	Final Exam	30%	Dec. 2026 TBA
Total		100%	