

## Learning Resources

# Truth & Reconciliation

Each year on September 30, Canada marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation — a statutory holiday designated by the federal government to commemorate the horrific legacy of residential schools in Canada. Recognition of the day is one of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's 94 Calls to Action that Dalhousie honors. During this day, the university closes for a period of remembrance and reflection.

*Please note this is a non-exhaustive list of resources that we have compiled. If you are aware of additional resources not included here, please contact the Educator Advisor, Amanda Wilneff via [HRES@dal.ca](mailto:HRES@dal.ca)*

## Treaties

- [Peace and Friendship Treaties \(1725-1779\)](#)
- [Robinson Treaties and Douglas Treaties \(1850-1854\)](#)
- [Numbered Treaties \(1871-1921\)](#)
- [James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement \(1975\)](#)
- [Nunavut Land Claims Agreement \(1992\)](#)
- [British Columbia Treaty Process](#)
- [Treaties and the Treaty Relationship \(Report\)](#)
- [Trick or Treaty?](#) by Alanis Obomsawin (Film)
- [Canadians Have Been Breaking Their Promises to Indigenous People \(Video\)](#)
- [Treaties and Agreements \(Video\)](#)
- *Mi'kmaq Treaties on Trial: History, Land, and Donald Marshall Junior* by William C. Wicken (Book)

## International Legislation

- [United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples](#) by the United Nations (2007)
- *Braiding Legal Orders: Implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* by the Center for International Governance Innovation (Book)

## Federal Legislation and Commissions

- [Constitution Act, Section 35](#)(1867)
- [Royal Proclamation of 1763](#)
- [Gradual Enfranchisement Act](#) (1869)
- [Indian Act](#) (1876)
- [Gradual Civilization Act](#) (1857)

- [White Paper on Indian Policy \(1969\)](#)
- [Royal Commission on the Donald Marshall, Jr. Report \(1987-1988\)](#)
- [The Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples \(1991\)](#)
- [Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada](#)
- [Reclaiming Power and Place: The Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls](#)
- *21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act: Helping Canadians Make Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples a Reality* by Bob Joseph (Book)

## Calls to Action

- [Calls to Action Accountability](#) by the Yellowhead Institute (2020)
- [2021 Priority List Election](#) by the Native Women's Association of Canada (2021)
- [Breaking Barriers: Report of the Task Force on Access for Black and Native People](#)  
Taskforce on Access to Dalhousie for Black and Native People (1989)
- [Report Database](#) by the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation

## Truth & Reconciliation

### Watch

- [Reconciliation with Senator Murray Sinclair \(Video\)](#)
- [Introduction to Reconciliation Webinar](#)
- [What Non-Indigenous Canadians Need to Know with Eddy Robinson \(Video\)](#)
- [Namwayut: We Are All One Video](#)

### Read

- [The Survivors Speak: A Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada \(Report\)](#)
- [Kitchen Table Dialogue Guide For Individuals, Communities and Organizations by Reconciliation Canada \(Toolkit\)](#)
- *We Were Not the Savages: Collision Between European and Native American Civilizations* by Daniel N. Paul
- *Indigenous Repatriation Handbook* by Lou-ann Neel, Haida Gwaii Museum, Jisgang Nika Collison, Sdaahl K'awaas Lucy Bell
- [Indigenous Ally Toolkit](#) by Montreal Urban Aboriginal Community Strategy Network
- *True Reconciliation: How to Be a Force for Change* by Jody Wilson-Raybould (Book)
- *Truth and Reconciliation Through Education: Stories of Decolonizing Practices* by Yvonne Poitras Pratt & Sulyn Bodnaresko (Book)
- [What Are the Truth & Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action & How Are We Working Toward Achieving Them Today?](#) by Reconciliation Education (Article)
- ['Let's Get On With It': Indigenous Advocates Demand Completion Of TRC Calls To Action](#)  
By CTV News
- *Living in Indigenous Sovereignty* by Elizabeth Carlson-Manathara and Gladys Rowe (Book)

## Listen

- [Stripped Away](#) by Children of the Setting Sun (Music Video)
- [Taapwaywin: Talking About What We Know And What We Believe](#) (Podcast)
- [Unsettled: Journeys in Truth and Conciliation](#) (Podcast)
- [Telling Our Twisted Histories](#) (Podcast)

## Visit

- [National Center for Truth and Reconciliation](#) (Website)
- [Settlers Take Action](#) by the On Canada Project (Website)
- [Beyond 94 Project](#) by CBC (Website)
- [Paths to Reconciliation](#) by Canadian Geographic (Website)

## Land Acknowledgements

### Watch

- [Awakenings: We Were Always Here](#) by Jonathan Elliott (Video)
- [Whose Land Are You On? What to Know About the Indigenous Land Back Movement with Lindsey Schneider](#) (Video)

### Read

- [A Guide to Acknowledging First Peoples & Traditional Territory](#) (Toolkit)
- [Territory Acknowledgements](#) (Article)
- [Beyond Territorial Acknowledgments](#) by âpihtawikosisân (Article)

### Visit

- [Native Land](#) (Digital Map and Treaty Locator)
- [Acknowledging Traditional and Treaty Territory](#) (Paid Course)

## Environmental Stewardship

### Watch

- [There's Something in the Water](#) (Documentary)
- [Sa'qewi-ilnuwey Awti IPCA - Reconciliation and Stewardship Through Land Conservation](#) (Video)
- [Since Time Immemorial": How Indigenous People Are Reviving Traditional Stewardship](#) (Video)
- [Indigenous Communities Are on the Front Lines of Climate Change](#) (Video)

### Read

- [Indigenous Stewardship is true Conservation: We Need to Move Beyond Eco-Colonialism](#) by Maia Wikler (Article)
- [Principle Of Environmental Stewardship Alive And Well In Nunavut](#) By Nunatsiaq News (Article)
- [Peace River Rising: The Link Between Violence Against Indigenous Women And Violence Against The Land](#) by CBC (Video)
- [Why Indigenous Environmental Justice Matters](#) by the IEJ Project (Video)

- *The End of This World: Climate Justice in So-Called Canada* by Angele Alook, Emily Eaton, David Gray-Donald, Joël Laforest, Crystal Lameman, Bronwen Tucker (Book)
- [#LANDBACK Is the Solution](#) by Shaldon Ferris (Article)
- *“Awakening The Sleeping Giant”: Re-Indigenization Principles For Transforming Biodiversity Conservation In Canada And Beyond* by M’sit No’kmaq, Albert Marshall, Karen F. Beazley, Jessica Hum, shalan joudry, Anastasia Papadopoulos, Sherry Pictou, Janet Rabesca, Lisa Young, and Melanie Zurba (Book)

### Listen

- [Land Stewardship & Creating Safe Spaces w/ Indigenous Community Center](#) by Prairie Ramblings (Podcast Episode)

### Visit

- [Environmental Stewardship](#) at the Arctic Elder Society (Website)

## Residential Schools and Day Schools

### Watch

- [Wawahta](#) by Robert P. Wells (Documentary)
- [We Were Children](#) by Tim Wolochatiuk (Film)
- [IRSSS Sacred Fire Exercise](#) demonstrated by Angela White (Video)
- [My Auntie survived residential school. I need to gather her stories before she’s gone with Inendi](#) (Video)
- [Talking To Kids About Residential Schools](#) With Monique Gray Smith (Video)
- [Orange Shirt Day Presentation](#) with Phyllis Webstad

### Read

- [Canada's Residential Schools: The Inuit and Northern Experience](#) (Report)
- [Canada’s Residential Schools: The Métis Experience](#) (Report)
- [Canada’s Residential Schools: Missing Children and Unmarked Burials](#) (Report)
- *The Fire Still Burns: Life In and After Residential School* by Sam George, Jill Yonit Goldberg, Liam Belson, Dylan MacPhee, Tanis Wilson (Book)
- [The Inuinait Experience](#) by the Kitikmeot Heritage Society (Article)
- *They Called Me Number One* by Bev Sellars (Book)

### Listen

- [Historica Canada](#) (Podcast Episodes)

### Visit

- [Orange Shirt Society](#) (Website)

## The 60’s Scoop & Child Welfare System

### Watch

- [Separating Children From Parents: The Sixties Scoop In Canada](#) by CBC (Video)

- [Canada's Foster Care System Continues Multi-Generational Trauma Of Indigenous Kids](#) by Global News (Video)

### Read

- [The "Sixties Scoop" and Indigenous Child Welfare](#) (Journal)
- [The Pandemic Has Delayed Reparations For Inuit Survivors Of The Sixties Scoop](#) by Sarah Rogers (Article)
- [Indigenous Children and the Child Welfare System in Canada](#) by the National Collaborating Center for Aboriginal Health (Article)
- [‘The Bond Is Broken’: Data Shows Number Of Indigenous Kids In Foster Care Is Going Up](#) by The Canadian Press (Article)

### Listen

- [Coming Home: Sixties Scoop Survivors Reclaim Their Culture](#) (Video)
- [The Sixties Scoop: Understanding Implications and Contributing Towards Reconciliation](#) (Video)
- [Nakuset: Surviving the 60's Scoop](#) (Podcast)
- [Child Of The Government](#) by Jayli Wolf (Music Video)

### Visit

- [The Sixties Scoop Healing Foundation](#) (Website)
- [In Our Own Words: Sharing the Stories of 60's Scoop Survivors](#) (Website)

## Jordan's Principle

### Watch

- [Jordan's Principle: AFN's Advocacy](#) by the Association of First Nations (Video)
- [Jordan River Anderson, The Messenger](#) (Film)
- [Outside the Circle: The Status of Jordan's Principle](#) by APTN National News (Documentary)

### Read

- [Jordan's Principle and The Inuit Child First Initiative](#) by the Native Women's Association of Canada (Fact Sheet)
- [Back-to-Basics Approach for Improving Outcomes Under Jordan's Principle](#) by The Caring Society (Guide)
- [Jordan's Principle and Children With Disabilities and Special Needs: A Resource Guide and Analysis of Canada's Implementation](#) by The Caring Society (Guide)
- [Jordan's Principle: Canada's Broken Promise to First Nations Children?](#) by Cindy Blackstock (Journal)

## Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relations

### Watch

- [Searchers: Highway of Tears](#) (Documentary)
- [Indigenous Women and the Story of Canada](#) with Sarah Robinson (Video)

- [A Song for The Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women](#) by Children of the Setting Sun (Video)

## Read

- [National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls](#) (Report)
- [Reclaiming Power and Place: The Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls](#) (Report)
- [National Inuit Action Plan on Missing and Murdered Inuit Women, Girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ People](#) (Report)
- ['We Are In A Crisis': Red Dress Day Honoured as Leaders Say More Work to Be Done](#) by Kelly Geraldine Malone (Article)
- [Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls](#)
- *Highway of Tears: A True Story of Racism, Indifference, and the Pursuit of Justice for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls* by Jessica McDiarmid (Book)
- *Forever Loved: Exposing the Hidden Crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada* by Lavell-Harvard, D. Memee and Jennifer Brant (Book)

## Listen

- [Missing & Murdered: Finding Cleo](#) (Podcast)

## Visit

- [Key Moment](#) Video Collection by The National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls
- [Gallery of Artistic Expressions](#) by The National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

# Indigenous Resistance and Resurgence

## Watch

- [Two-Eyed Seeing](#) with Elder Albert Marshall (Video)
- [Coming Into Indigenous Sovereignty: Relationality and Resurgence](#) with Dr. Alex Wilson (Video)
- [The Resurgence of Indigenous Knowledge](#) with Lyla June Johnston (Video)
- ["I Lost My Talk"](#) by Rita Joe and performed by Gabrielle Nebrida-Pepin (Video)
- [Indigenous Existence as Political Resistance](#) with George Neptune (Video)

## Read

- *Warrior Life: Indigenous Resistance and Resurgence* by Pamela Palmater (Book)
- *Unbroken: My Fight for Survival, Hope, and Justice for Indigenous Women and Girls* by Angela Sterritt (Book)
- *I Will Live for Both of Us: A History of Colonialism, Uranium Mining, and Inuit Resistance* by Joan Scottie (Book)
- [Indigenous Cultural Resurgence Through Two-Spirit Teaching and Learning Practices](#) by Kyle Shaughnessy (Thesis)
- *Resurgence And Reconciliation: Indigenous-settler Relations And Earth Teachings* by Michael Asch (Book)

- *As We Have Always Done: Indigenous Freedom through Radical Resistance* by Leanne Betasamosake Simpson (Book)
- My Indigenous Culture Is an Act of Resistance by Siku Allooloo (Article)
- *Unreconciled: Family, Truth, and Indigenous Resistance* by Jesse Wentz (Book)

### **Listen**

- "All Nations Rise" by Lyla June (Music Video)

### **Visit**

- Indigenous Resurgence Project