The GCES - Indigenous Education is a four-course experience designed to meet the needs of educators.

Through the certificate, you will learn to:

- **Deepen understanding of Indigenous foundational knowledge and knowing, and how we might express our understandings of those in institutional settings**

- **Deepen understanding of the potential of Indigenous knowledges, relational pedagogies, and autobiographical narrative inquiry for transforming understandings of literacy and how it is that we inspire and nurture literacy learners in our classrooms.**

- **Support the holistic development and resilience of Indigenous students and understand how reflecting on systemic racism, unconscious bias, and the social determinants of health can aid in establishing and maintaining inclusive, equitable, and strengths-based learning environments that uplift Indigenous students.**

- **Reflect on their personal journey of reconciliation with Land and consider classroom applications and relationships with Indigenous families and communities.**

Rise to the challenges and opportunities of 21st century education.

The Graduate Certificate in Educational Studies (GCES) is for teaching professionals and other educational specialists seeking advanced professional education. The program consists of four courses (12 credits) centered on Indigenous education.

The Graduate Certificate in Educational Studies is a cohort-based, part-time, varied-delivery program that suits your schedule and timelines.

**THE PROGRAM**

The GCES - Indigenous Education consists of four courses:

**Summer 2022**

**EDU 563 Supporting the Health and Well-being of Indigenous Students**

**Summer 2023 (tentative)**

**EDU 560 Bringing Life to Literacy Experiences**
**EDU 561 Curriculum, Pedagogy, and Foundational Indigenous Knowledge and Knowing**
**EDU 562 Indigenous Land Teachings: Transitioning Towards Common Ground in Education**

The Graduate Certificate may be laddered into some M.Ed. Programs.

**APPLICATIONS OPEN:**

**November 1 - March 31**
(Summer 2022 start)

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Four-year baccalaureate degree (or equivalent) from a recognized academic institution and a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0

- Two years of teaching experience

- English Language Proficiency

  (more information here)