

**Indigenous Content Syllabus Materials:
A Resource for Political Science Instructors in Canada**

Canadian Political Science Association Reconciliation Committee

*This syllabus is necessarily a work in progress.
Scholarship and research continue to be produced.
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Introduction

The field of Political Science is beginning to engage the challenges and opportunities of including Indigenous content in university courses (Ladner 2017; Bruyneel 2012).¹ Although discussions regarding the “indigenization” of universities were important prior to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada’s (TRC) Calls to Action and Final Report, such discussions are even more urgent. Historically, universities have participated in historical and ongoing colonial relations in Canada (Kuokkanen 2007; Green 2001; 2016)² and reproduced colonial narratives. As a discipline, Political Science has been instrumental in promoting certain understandings of politics and political subjects. The Canadian Political Science Association Reconciliation Committee (CPSA-RC) strongly believes that universities, and specifically political scientists, have an important role to play in reconciliation efforts.

The TRC’s Call to Action 62 emphasizes the imperative to “educate teachers on how to integrate Indigenous knowledge and teaching methods into the classroom,” and to provide the funding to make this possible (TRC 2015, 238). The TRC Final Report also asserts that Canadians and Canadian institutions seeking reconciliation must take “concrete steps,” and that in this process reconciliation research and education are “vital” (ibid., 8, 242). The federal government and post-secondary institutions, through the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and in collaboration with Indigenous peoples and the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, are specifically called to develop a national research program to build “understanding of reconciliation” (ibid., 242). This means building respectful relationships and understanding of Indigenous history, languages, laws and governance systems (ibid., 21).

The CPSA-RC supports the idea that “reconciliation” should involve attempts at “turning things around and making things right.” According to former CPSA President Yasmeen Abu-Laban, “the CPSA has an obligation to help its members, and member departments, navigate the new environment,” which is characterized by what Abu-Laban calls the “politics of reconciliation” (Abu-Laban 2016). Although some political scientists are making efforts to include Indigenous content in their course outlines, faculty and students are asked to engage materials and subject matter with which they are unfamiliar. This pedagogical resource contributes to the plan of action developed by the CPSA-RC and provides instructors syllabus resources to include Indigenous content beyond an add-a-week fashion. As Kiera Ladner (2017) argues in a recent review of Indigenous politics in the *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, beyond the sheer lack of writing on Indigenous topics prior to the 1990s, the profusion of recent scholarship on Indigenous issues remains overwhelmingly written by non-Indigenous people and predominantly focuses on state sovereignty, Euro-Western perspectives and matters that concern settlers (ibid., 164; Bruyneel, 2012).

¹ For example, a number of arguments for Indigenous content requirements in university courses were recently published on a website prepared by undergraduate political science students at the University of Alberta as a collective project in the course POLS 421: Indigenous Governance, instructed by Matthew Wildcat. See [Indigenous Content Requirements in Canada – A Resource Centre](#)

² In a paper presented to the CPSA, Joyce Green (2016) warns that although “indigenizing the university” is an important part of acknowledging the complicity of universities in supporting and reproducing colonialism, it can also be “a whitewash of academic responsibility, adopting approaches that elide the continuing power relations of colonialism in favour of essentialized cultural discourses or retrospective historic gazes” (2-3).

The goal of this pedagogical resource is to encourage instructors to center Indigenous scholarship and perspectives and use Indigenous content materials to teach in a way that:

- 1) engages Indigenous political traditions from an internal perspective (Ladner 2017);
- 2) effectively communicates the significance and complexity of the issues (Gaudry 2017);
- 3) is anti-racist and anti-oppressive (Battiste 2013);
- 4) is critical, reflexive and constructive (Napoleon & Friedland 2015);
- 5) is attentive to gender and other forms of oppression (Altamirano-Jimenez 2011, 2016; Kuokkanen 2015);
- 6) engages Indigenous communities without being overly reliant on Indigenous people to do work that non-Indigenous people can and should be doing (Gaudry 2017; Wildcat et al. 2017).

A number of scholars in Political Science, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, have already been taking up this challenge for years, and several have generously shared their insights and course outlines to expand this resource. We believe, it is time for all political scientists to join the task of “turning things around to make things right.”

This pedagogical resource is structured as follows. The first main section surveys key issues and debates in Political Science, with a focus on topics for Introduction to Politics and Introduction to Canadian Politics courses. These courses are the gateways to political science for most of our students, and therefore are particularly responsible for remediating the unselfconscious triumphalism of settler narratives expressed in the canon. The selected areas are examples of what might work for one or two weeks of course material, but these are only snapshots and far from the full breadth of Indigenous content publications that are available. While our focus here is on Introduction to Politics and Introduction to Canadian Politics courses, the issues and debates become somewhat more specialized towards the end of this section. The latter texts may be appropriate for special topics in senior undergraduate or graduate level courses. The second main section will provide a fuller bibliography, annotated with abbreviated topic areas, comprising a list of Indigenous content resources relevant to Political Science.

We believe political scientists can play a central role in responding to the Calls to Action. Unpacking assumptions that ignored, stereotyped and demonized Indigenous peoples in the development of the Canadian state and its policies will allow scholars to consider critical materials challenging the canon, and materials that envision new political possibilities through engagement with Indigenous scholarship, perspectives and content resource

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- Ladner, Kiera. "Taking the Field: 50 Years of Indigenous Politics in the CJPS." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 50, no. 1 (2017): 163-179.
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- Wildcat et al. (2017). ["An Argument for Indigenous Content Requirements: How Indigenous Content Requirements Can Help Uproot Canada's Colonial Identity and How They'll Help us Build a Stronger Future."](#)

PART 1: Key Issues and Debates

This section of the resource provides sample readings categorized by relevant themes for political science courses. Selected texts give a snapshot of some of the current debates and perspectives on these issues within Indigenous content resources.

We have indicated where issue areas are recommended for Introduction to Politics and Introduction to Canadian Politics courses. While these introductory courses are the main focus, as mentioned, the issue areas and debates are increasingly specialized towards to the end of the section and texts may also be appropriate for special topics in senior undergraduate or graduate-level courses.

Democracy

Recommended for: Introduction to Political Science

Green, Joyce. (2017). "The Impossibility of Citizenship Liberation for Indigenous People." *Citizenship in Transnational Perspective: Australia, Canada, and New Zealand* (Jatinder Mann, Ed.). Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 175-188.

Horn-Miller, Kahente. "What does Indigenous Participatory Democracy Looks Like? Kahnawà:ke's Decision Making Process." *Review of Constitutional Studies* 18(1) (2013): 111-132.

Rice, Roberta. "How to Decolonize Democracy: Indigenous Governance Innovation in Bolivia and Nunavut, Canada." *Bolivian Studies Journal* 22 (2017): 220-242

Keywords

Political Participation, Indigenous Governance, Diversifying Democracy, Democratic Mechanisms (Direct, Participatory, and Communitarian)

Gender in Canadian Politics

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Fiske, Jo-Anne. (2008). "Constitutionalizing the Space to Be Aboriginal Women." *Aboriginal Self-Government in Canada: Current Trends and Issues*. Ed. Belanger, Yale. Saskatoon: Purich, 309-331.

Lawrence, Bonita. "Gender, Race, and the Regulation of Native Identity in Canada and the United States: An Overview." *Hypatia* 18, no. 2 (2003): 3-31.

Keywords

Colonization, Classification and Indian Status, Identity, Land, Community

Green, Joyce. (2017). "Taking More Account of Indigenous Feminism." *Making Space for Indigenous Feminism*, 2nd Edition (Joyce Green, ed.). Halifax: Fernwood Publishing, pp. 1-20.

Green, Shirley. (2017). "Looking Back, Still Looking Forward." *Making Space for Indigenous Feminism*, 2nd Edition (Joyce Green, ed.). Halifax: Fernwood Publishing, pp. 274-293.

Starblanket, Gina. (2017). "Being Indigenous Feminists: Resurgences Against Colonial Patriarchy." *Making Space for Indigenous Feminism* (2nd) (Joyce Green, ed.). Halifax and Winnipeg: Fernwood Press, pp. 21-41.

Keywords

Indigenous feminism, gender justice, Indigenous women's activism

Hanson, Cindy. "Gender, Justice, and the Indian Residential School Claims Process." *International Indigenous Policy Journal* 7(1) (2016): 3-16.

Keywords

Residential schools, colonial legacies and gendered violence

Razack, Sherene H. (2008). "Gendered Racial Violence and Spatialized Justice: The Murder of Pamela George." *Race, Space and the Law: Unmapping a White Settler Society*, Sherene Razack, ed. Toronto: Between the Lines, 121-156.

Keywords

Gendered Violence, Racialized Violence, Space and Territory, Pamela George, Murder, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canadian Courts, Critical Feminism, Critical Race Theory

Napoleon, Val (with) John Borrows and Emily Snyder. "Gendered Violence: Resources from Indigenous Legal Orders," *UBC Law Review* 48:1 (2015), 593.

Keywords

Gendered Violence, Indigenous Law

Simpson, Audra. "The State Is a Man: Theresa Spence, Loretta Saunders and the Gender of Settler Sovereignty." *Theory & Event* 19, no. 4 (October 12, 2016).

Keywords

Theresa Spence, Idle No More, Settler Sovereignty, Gendered and Racial Violence, Media

Eberts, Mary. (2014). "Victoria's Secret: How to Make Population of Prey." *Indivisible: Indigenous Human Rights* (Joyce Green, ed.). Halifax and Winnipeg: Fernwood Press, pp. 144-165.

Kuokkanen, Rauna. (2014). "Confronting Violence: Indigenous Women, Self-Determination and International Human Rights." *Indivisible: Indigenous Human Rights*. Ed. J. Green. pp. 126-143. Halifax and Winnipeg: Fernwood Press, pp. 126-143.

Keywords

Gender, Gender Violence, International Law, Human Rights, Globalization, Indigenous Women

Political Culture

Recommended for: Introduction to Political Science and Introduction to Canadian Politics

Coulthard, Glen. "Place Against Empire: Understanding Indigenous Anti-Colonialism." *Affinities: A Journal of Radical Theory, Culture, and Action* 4, no. 2 (2010): 79-83.

Ladner, Kiera L. "Governing Within an Ecological Context: Creating an Alternative Understanding of Siiksikaawa Governance." *Studies in Political Economy* 70(1) (2003): 125-150.

Keywords

Sense of place, Indigenous activism, Indigenous political theory, reciprocity

Simpson, Leanne, ed. (2008). *Lighting the Eighth Fire: The Liberation, Resurgence, and Protection of Indigenous Nations*. Winnipeg: Arbeiter Ring Publishing.

Recommended Chapter

"Chapter Four: Our Elder Brothers: The Lifeblood of Resurgence"

Keywords

Indigenous knowledge, resurgence

MacDonald, David B. (2014). "Genocide in the Indian Residential Schools: Canadian History through the Lens of the UN Genocide Convention." *Colonial Genocide in Indigenous North America* (Andrew Woolford, Jeff Benvenuto, and Alexander Laban Hinton, eds.). Duke University Press, pp. 306-324.

Razack, Sherene H. (2011). "Colonization: The Good, The Bad and the Ugly." *Rethinking the Great White North: Race, Nature, and the Historical Geographies of Whiteness in Canada*. Edited by Andrew Baldwin, Laura Cameron, and Audrey Kobayashi. Vancouver: UBC Press, 264-271.

Russell, Peter H. (2005). *Recognizing Aboriginal Title: The Mabo Case and Indigenous Resistance to English-Settler Colonialism*, Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapter

Chapter 2: "Western Imperialism and Its Legal Magic"

Keywords

Settler Colonialism, Colonial Law, Canada and Australia

Political Participation

Recommended for: Introduction to Political Science

Alfred, Taiaiake, Brock Pitawanakwat and Jackie Price. "The Meaning of Political Participation for Indigenous Youth: Charting the Course for Youth Civic and Political Participation." *Canadian Policy Research Networks* (2007).

Keywords

Political identity, citizenship, activism, electoral participation

Ladner, Kiera and Michael McCrossan. *The Electoral Participation of Aboriginal People*. Working Paper on Electoral Participation and Outreach Practices, Ottawa: Chief Electoral Officer of Canada.

Keywords

Electoral politics, political activities

Manuel, Arthur and Grand Chief Ronald M. Derrickson. (2015). *Unsettling Canada: A National Wake-Up Call*. Between the Lines.

Recommended Chapters

Chapter 6 "The Constitution Express: A Grassroots Movement"

Chapter 16 "Days of Protest: Young Activists Come Together"

Palmer, Pamela. (2015). *Indigenous Nationhood: Empowering Grassroots Citizens*. Halifax & Winnipeg: Fernwood Publishing.

Keywords

Indigenous Participation, activism, grassroots mobilization

Williams, Melissa. "There Can Be No Electoral Reform Without Indigenous Input." *The Globe and Mail*. November 8th, 2016.

Keywords

Electoral Reform, Under-representation, Parliament of Canada, Truth and Reconciliation

Citizenship

Recommended for: Introduction to Political Science

Bohaker, Heidi and Franca Iacovetta. "Making Aboriginal People 'Immigrants Too': A Comparison of Citizenship Programs for Newcomers and Indigenous Peoples in Postwar Canada, 1940s–1960s." *The Canadian Historical Review* 9(3) (2009): 427-461.

Green, Joyce. (2005). "Self-determination, Citizenship, and Federalism: Indigenous and Canadian Palimpsest." *Reconfiguring Aboriginal-State Relations* (Michael Murphy, ed.). Institute of Intergovernmental Relations, School of Policy Studies, Queen's University, pp. 329-352.

Green, Joyce. (2017). "The Impossibility of Citizenship Liberation for Indigenous People." Jatinder Mann (ed.), *Citizenship in a Transnational Perspective: Australia, Canada, and New Zealand*, Politics of Citizenship and Migration Series (New York: Palgrave Macmillan).

Holder, Cindy L. and Jeff J. Corntassel. "Indigenous Peoples and Multicultural Citizenship: Bridging Collective and Individual Rights." *Human Rights Quarterly* 24.1 (2002): 126-151.

Palmater, Pamela. (2011). *Beyond Blood: Rethinking Indigenous Identity*, Winnipeg: Purich Publishing LTD.

Keywords

Liberalism, Individualism, Human Rights, Collective vs. Individual Rights, Belonging

Youngblood Henderson, James (Sa'ke'j). "Sui Generis and Treaty Citizenship." *Citizenship Studies* 6, no. 4 (2002): 415-426.

Keywords

Constitutional Rights, Federal-Aboriginal Relations, Treaties

State, Nation and Culture Building

Recommended for: Introduction to Political Science and Introduction to Canadian Politics

Amadahy, Zainab and Bonita Lawrence. (2010). "Indigenous Peoples and Black People in Canada: Settlers or Allies?" Arlo Kempf, *Breaching the Colonial Contract. Anti-colonialism in the US and Canada*, Springer.

Thobani, Sunera. (2007). *Exalted Subjects: Studies in the Making of Race and Nation in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapter

"Introduction: Of Exaltation"

Keywords

Relationship between citizen and state, race, national identity

Daschuk, James. (2013). *Clearing the Plains: Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life*. Regina: University of Regina Press.

Recommended Chapters

Chapters 6 "The Treaty Period"

Chapter 7 "Transition on the Plains" for readings on western-treaty making

Green, Joyce. (2005). "Self-determination, Citizenship, and Federalism: Indigenous and Canadian Palimpsest." *Reconfiguring Aboriginal-State Relations* (Michael Murphy, ed.). Institute of Intergovernmental Relations, School of Policy Studies, Queen's University, pp. 329-352.

Miller, J. R. (2018). *Skyscrapers Hide the Heavens: A History of Indian-White Relations in Canada*. 4th ed. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Keywords

Settler Colonialism, State Formation, Violence, Indigenous-Settler Relations

Indigenous Politics in the Era of Globalization

Recommended for: Introduction to Political Science

UN General Assembly. *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: resolution/adopted by the General Assembly, 2 October 2007.*

Keywords

Human Rights, Indigenous Peoples' Rights, International Law

Hall, Thomas D. and James V. Fenelon. (2009). *Indigenous Peoples and Globalization: Resistance and Revitalization*. Boulder: Paradigm.

Recommended Chapter

Chapter Two: Indigenous Global Struggles: Models of Revitalization and Resistance

Keywords

Capitalism, globalization, neoliberalism, global history, Indigenous worldviews, Global Indigenous peoples

Kuokkanen, Rauna. "Globalization as Racialized, Sexualized Violence – the Case of Indigenous Women." *International Feminist Journal of Politics* 10 (2008): 216-233.

Lightfoot, Sheryl. (2016). *Global Indigenous Politics: A Subtle Revolution*. New York: Routledge Press.

Keywords

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Global Indigenous Politics, Indigenous Peoples' Rights, Collective Right

Ladner, Kiera and Caroline Dick. "Out of the Fires of Hell: Globalization as a Solution to Globalization-an Indigenist Perspective." *Canadian Journal of Law and Society* 23, no. 1/2 (2008): 63-91.

Keywords

Autonomy, sovereignty, globalization, intellectual property, trade liberalization

Cornthassel, Jeff and Cindy Holder. "Who's Sorry Now? Government Apologies, Truth Commissions, and Indigenous Self-Determination in Australia, Canada, Guatemala, and Peru." *Human Rights Review* 9 (2008): 465-489.

Keywords

Apologies, Truth and Reconciliation, Indigenous-Government Relations, Self- Determination

Federalism and Colonialism in Canada

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Abele, Frances and Michael J. Prince. (2003). *Aboriginal Governance and Canadian Federalism: A To-Do List for Canada. New Trends in Canadian Federalism.* Rocher, F. and M. Smith. Peterborough, ON, Broadview Press.

Dubois, Janique and Kelly Saunders. "Just Do It!" Carving out a Space for the Métis in Canadian Federalism." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 46(1) (2013): 187-214.

Green, Joyce. Green, Joyce. (2005). "Self-determination, Citizenship, and Federalism: Indigenous and Canadian Palimpsest." *Reconfiguring Aboriginal-State Relations* (Michael Murphy, ed.). Institute of Intergovernmental Relations, School of Policy Studies, Queen's University, pp. 329-352.

McCrossan, Michael and Kiera Ladner. "Eliminating Indigenous Jurisdictions: Federalism, the Supreme Court, and Territorial Rationalities of Power." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 49, no. 3 (2016): 411-431.

Papillon, Martin. "Adapting Federalism: Indigenous Multilevel Governance in Canada and the United States." *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 42(2) (2012): 289-312.

Keywords

Federal government, government jurisdictions, judicial status, constitutionalism, federalism

Canadian Settler Identity

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Logan, Tricia E. (2014). "Memory, Erasure and National Myth." *Colonial Genocide in Indigenous North America* (Andrew Woolford, Jeff Benvenuto, and Alexander Laban Hinton, eds.) Duke University Press, pp. 149-165.

Thobani, Sunera. (2007). *Exalted Subjects: Studies in the Making of Race and Nation in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapter

"Chapter One: Founding a Lawful Nation"

Keywords

Nationhood, settlement, pioneers, rule of law vs. lawlessness

Carter, Sarah. (2008). *The Importance of Being Monogamous: Marriage and Nation Building in Western Canada to 1915*. Edmonton: Athabasca University Press and University of Alberta Press. This work is licensed under a [Creative Commons License](#) (CC BY-NC-ND 2.5 CA). It may be reproduced for non-commercial purposes, provided that the original author is credited.

Recommended Chapter

"Chapter One: Creating, Challenging, Imposing, and Defending the Marriage 'Fortress'"

Lawrence, Bonita. "Gender, Race and the Regulation of Native Identity in Canada and the United States: An Overview." *Hypatia* 18(2) (2003): 3-31.

Keywords

Canadian identity, settlers in Western Canada, monogamy and marriage laws

Indigeniety, Multiculturalism and the Politics of Recognition

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Coulthard, Glen. (2014). *Red Skin, White Masks: Rejecting the Colonial Politics of Recognition*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

Keywords

Recognition, power, imperialism, resurgence, liberal pluralism, reconciliation

Mackey, Eva. (2002). *The House of Difference: Cultural Politics and National Identity in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Keywords

Multicultural Nation-building, Cultural Pluralism, Tolerance and the Construction of National Identity, Hierarchies of Difference and Power

Singh, Jakeet. (2014). "Recognition and Self-Determination: Approaches from Above and Below." *Recognition Versus Self-Determination: Dilemmas of Emancipatory Politics*, edited by Andrée Boisselle, Glen Coulthard, Avigail Eisenberg, Jeremy H. A. Webber, Vancouver: UBC Press, 47-74.

Keywords

State recognition, ontological recognition, politics of cultural difference, Indigenous struggles

Ethnocultural Pluralism and Anti-Racist Politics

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Lawrence, Bonita and Enakshi Dua. "Decolonizing Antiracism" *Social Justice* 32.4 (2005): 120-143.

Keywords

Anti-Racism, Activism, Solidarity, Racialization, Immigration

Sharma, Nandita and Cynthia Wright. "Decolonizing Resistance, Challenging Colonial States." *Social Justice* 35, no. 3 (2009): 121-138.

Keywords

Migration, Settler-Colonialism, Anti-Racism

Dhamoon, Rita Kaur. "A Feminist Approach to Decolonizing Anti-Racism: Rethinking Transnationalism, Intersectionality, and Settler-Colonialism." *Feral Feminisms* 4 (2015): 20-38.

Keywords

Intersectionality, Transnationalism, Settler-Colonialism, Activism

Canadian Constitutionalism

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Borrows, John. (2016). *Freedom and Indigenous Constitutionalism*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapters

Chapter 5 "Legislation and Indigenous Self-Determination in Canada and the United States"

Chapter 6 "Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Violence Against Women"

Keywords

Indigenous law, self-determination, Treaties, Gender Violence

Joyce Green. "[Towards a Detente with History: Confronting Canada's Colonial Legacy](#)" *International Journal of Canadian Studies* 12 (1995).

Keywords

Canadian constitutionalism, democratic participation, challenging colonial legacies & cultural myths

Dale Turner. (2006). "White Paper Liberalism and the Problem of Aboriginal Participation." *This is Not a Peace Pipe: Towards a Critical Indigenous Philosophy*, (Toronto: University of Toronto Press), 12-37.

Keywords

Aboriginal rights; Liberalism; Canadian constitutionalism; Indigenous Political Philosophy; Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian State; Indigenous Nationhood

Borrows, John. (2010). *Canada's Indigenous Constitution*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapters

"Living Legal Traditions"

"Sources and Scope of Indigenous Legal Traditions"

Keywords

Indigenous Law, Legal Pluralism, Sources of Law

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Anaya, S. James. (2004). *Indigenous Peoples in International Law* (2nd). New York: Oxford University Press.

Recommended Chapters

Chapter 3 "Self-Determination: A Foundational Principle"

Chapter 4 "Norms Elaborating the Elements of Self-Determination"

Keywords

International Law, Indigenous Human Rights, UNDRIP, Self-Determination, International Indigenous Movement

Veldon Coburn. "[Indigenous People and the Constitution Conversation.](#)" *Policy Options*, June 9, 2017.

Keywords

Canadian constitutionalism; Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian State

Canada and Transnationalism

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Price, John. "Canada, White Supremacy, and the Twinning of Empires." *International Journal* 68, no. 4 (2013): 628-638.

Keywords

Transnationalism, White Supremacy, Race, Nation, Immigration, Indigenous Peoples, Global Racisms, Empire

Nagy, Rosemary. "Can Reconciliation be Compelled? Transnational Advocacy and the Canada-Indigenous Relationship." *Peace and Change* 42, no. 3 (2017): 313-341.

Keywords

Truth and Reconciliation, Human Rights, International Relations, Transnationalism

Settler Colonialism

Recommended for: Introduction to Political Science and Introduction to Canadian Politics

Lorenzo Veracini. "Introducing: Settler Colonial Studies" *Settler Colonial Studies* 1 (2011): 1-12.

Patzer, Jeremy. (2014). "Residential School Harm and Colonial Dispossession: What's the Connection?" *Colonial Genocide in Indigenous North America* (Andrew Woolford, Jeff Benvenuto, and Alexander Laban Hinton, eds.) Duke University Press, pp. 166-185.

Keywords

Settler Colonialism and colonialism

Wildcat, Matthew. "Fearing social and Cultural Death: Genocide and Elimination in Settler Colonial Canada-An Indigenous Perspective." *Journal of Genocide Research* 17, no. 4 (2015): 391-409.

Keywords

Settler Colonialism in Canada, Indigenous political authority, genocide in Canada

Snelgrove, C., Dhamoon, R., & Corntassel, J. "Unsettling settler colonialism: The discourse and politics of settlers, and solidarity with Indigenous nations". *Decolonization: Indigeneity, Education & Society*, no. 2 (2014) 1-32.

Keywords

Dialogue, Settler Colonialism, Indigenous Studies

Russell, Peter H. (2005). *Recognizing Aboriginal Title: The Mabo Case and Indigenous Resistance to English-Settler Colonialism*, Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapter

Chapter 2: "Western Imperialism and Its Legal Magic"

Wolfe, Patrick. "Settler Colonialism and the Elimination of the Native." *Journal of Genocide Research* 8(4) (2006): 387-409.

Keywords

Settler Colonialism, Colonial Law, Comparing Settler Colonies

Legal Pluralism and Indigenous Law

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Borrows, John. (2010). *Canada's Indigenous Constitution*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapters

"Living Legal Traditions"

"Sources and Scope of Indigenous Legal Traditions"

Keywords

Indigenous Law, Legal Pluralism, Sources of Law

Friedland, Hadley and Val Napoleon. "Gathering the threads: developing a methodology for researching and rebuilding Indigenous legal traditions." *Lakehead Law Journal*, 1, no. 1 (2015): 16-44.

Napoleon, Val. (2013). "Thinking About Indigenous Legal Orders" (revised). Colleen Shepard & Kirsten Anker, eds., *Dialogues on Human Rights and Legal Pluralism*, 2012 Springer Press' Seriesm, *Ius Gentium: Comparative Perspectives on Law and Justice*. Translated and published in Spanish by Antonio Pena Jumpa as "Pensando en los Ordenamientos Jurídicos Indígenas de Canadá" in Peru.

Napoleon, Val and Hadley Friedland. "An Inside Job: Engaging with Indigenous Legal Traditions through Stories" *McGill Law Journal* (2016).

Keywords

Indigenous Laws, Indigenous Legal Methodology, Indigenous Responses to Harms and Conflicts, Indigenous Stories and Oral Histories, Indigenous Legal Theory, Accessing Justice and Reconciliation

Todd, K. (Filmmaker), Snyder, E. (Producer), & McBeth, R (Associate Producer). [Online video series]. Indigenous law: an introduction; Indigenous law, gender, and sexuality; Indigenous law: tough questions. Indigenous City Media and the [UVic Indigenous Law Research Unit](#).

Keywords

Indigenous Law, Indigenous Legal Traditions, Power Relations, Revitalization

Canadian Law and the Justice System

Recommended for: Introduction to Canadian Politics

Nicole V.T., Lugosi. "'Truth-telling' and Legal Discourse: A Critical Analysis of the Neil Stonechild Inquiry." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* no. 2 (2011): 299-315.

Keywords

Race and Racism, Indigenous Voice and Representation, Critical Race Theory, Whiteness

Nichols, Robert. "The Colonialism of Incarceration," *Radical Philosophy Review* 17, no. 2 (2014): 435-455.

Keywords

Indigenous Peoples in Canadian Prisons, Colonial Legacies, Residential Schools, The Problem with "Overrepresentation"

Thobani, Sunera. (2007). *Exalted Subjects: Studies in the Making of Race and Nation in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Recommended Chapter

"Introduction: Of Exaltation"

Keywords

Relationship between Citizen and State, Race, National Identity

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