# RESPECT AND RECONCILIATION

### TRAINING FOR LANGUAGE INSTRUCTORS

Professional development for language instructors on Indigenous history and culture



#### **BACKGROUND**

Instructors that learn about Indigenous perspectives will develop greater knowledge and confidence to teach their learners about this topic in their core language training course.

"Indigenization in settlement language programming is our collective responsibility to ensure newcomers learn from Canadian Indigenous peoples their histories, cultures and perspectives and create opportunities to connect with local Indigenous peoples as part of the reconciliation process."

~ Suzanne Clavelle-Christensen, 2022

#### **ELEARNING AND INSTRUCTOR HANDBOOKS**

- interactive self-paced learning modules that encourage reflection
- an extensive compilation of audio-visual and written resources
- ready-made teaching materials, lesson plans and printable handouts for both classroom and online learning environments

#### **MODULE 1: SOCIAL STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE**

Focuses on three fundamental topics: Social Structure, Spirituality, and Languages. Participants will explore the core values and principles that guide First Nations communities, as well as the laws and alliances that unite the distinct communities.





#### MODULE 2: TREATY RELATIONS

An overview of Indigenous Treaties in Canada, encompassing their historical progression, present-day significance, and the challenges to the interpretation of the terms and conditions.

#### **MODULE 3: RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS**

Includes the historical and enduring impact of residential schools, the prevailing conditions within these institutions, and the profound trauma endured by the attending children and their communities.





#### **MODULE 4: RESISTANCE AND REVITALIZATION**

Provides an overview of contemporary efforts by Indigenous communities to foster cultural and language revitalization, as well as practical strategies for incorporating Indigenous culture into one's own teaching practices.

## TAKE ACTION

By incorporating lessons on the Indigenous peoples of Canada into your curriculum, you can promote cultural awareness among newcomers, foster meaningful relationships, and actively contribute to reconciliation.



