Some naive and tentative attempts at introducing Indigenous perspectives into my Biology teaching



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Specific Teaching Practices to help promote Indigenization -Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Accessibility and Anti-racism (I-EDIAA) (Version 1.1, February 2023)

Introduction

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Practices for:

Broadly introducing the principles of I-EDIAA (14#)
Highlighting Indigenization (14#)
Highlighting Equity(3#)
Highlighting Diversity (7#)
Highlighting Inclusion (7#)
Highlighting Accessibility (1#)
Highlighting Anti-racism (2#)

Resources (6 pages):

References cited above and some extras Specific Indigenous topic resources General I-EDIAA resources General I-EDIAA training resources

Practices for broadly introducing the principles of I-EDIAA (14#)

(1) "Curricular diversification involves questioning, disrupting, and challenging dominant western centric knowledges, pedagogies, intellectual traditions, and ways of knowing, to include Indigenous, global, nonestern, anti-racist, decolonial, and feminist perspectives". (PICRDI recommendation #16)

(3) Approach coverage **d**fEDIAAin your course from a mutual learning perspective

(9) Consider the role and requirements of your Teaching Assistants in addressiE (m):

Practices for highlighting Indigenization (14#)

(1) Land acknowledgement

(6) Explore the use and misuse of Indigenous Knowledge/Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK)) science.

(9) Where appropriate in ecology/environmental science courses, highlight the <u>distinct</u> inter-relationship and respectased perspectives that Indigenous groups have with the land and water, and all the organisms that live in those habitats

(13) Consider introducing yourself and your students to the Thanksgiving Address entitled "The Words Before All Else"

(14) Consider attempting to include some coverageround n-science based 'ways of knowing'

The Biology of Sustainability (BIOL 510)

2022 course subtitle: Maybe our greatest need now is not more knowledge but more wisdom



Course question

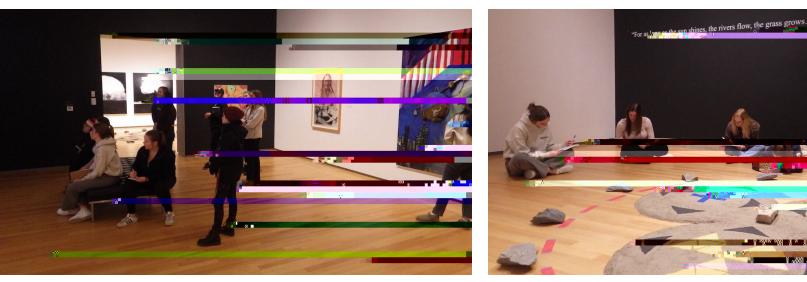
Interconnectedness and impermanence: Is enhanced deep awareness of these fundamental biological principles the ultimate key to significantly advancing our species toward more sustainable living?



The particular learning potential of the Arts



The Scream– Kent Monkman's depiction of the Canadian residential school system



BIOL 200 - Biodiversity: What's a species worth? According to what value system? Manoomin– Wild rice

- Zizaniaaquaticathe only cereal grain that is native to Canada (widespread in north eastern N. America)
- A 'slow' crop; of profound indigenous cultural significance (e.g. Anishinaabeg)
- Manoominproduction severely diminished by colonial water management practices to control lake levels and to promote recreation, water-skiing etc.

Humans <--> Nature

Separation/Independence --->Relationships/Interconnectedness

Individualism <---->Community

Ownership <----> Gift

Commodification/Legality <---> Sharing/Reciprocity

 See Manoomin: Resurgence of Indigenous Food Sovereignty within the Kawartha Lakes Region <u>http://nourishingontario.ca/black-duck-wild-rice-a-case-study/</u>

• And for broader context see Kimmerer, R. 2013. Braiding Sweetgrass

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