

The Indigenous Course Requirement (ICR) Committee Annual Report to Senate April 30, 2021 – April 29, 2022

The ICR Committee membership for 2021-2022 is as follows:

		Term Ends
1) Faculty Member – Humanities	Mark Ruml, Chair	(2022)
2) Faculty Member – Social Sciences	Kimberley Ducey	(2022)
3) Faculty Member – Sciences	Nora Casson	(2023)
4) Faculty Member at Large as defined in table 1	Melanie O’Gorman	(2023)
5) Faculty Member	Chantal Fiola	(2023)
6) Faculty Member	Jan DeFehr	(2023)
7) Indigenous Academic Lead	Lorena Fontaine	Ex Officio
8) Member of UWSA Executive (Joined Feb 2021)	Jonathan Henderson	Ex Officio
9) Registrar	Colin Russell	Ex Officio
10) Library Representative	Danielle Bitz	Ex Officio

As Chair of the ICR Committee, I am honoured to present this annual report to Senate for 2021-2022. The ICR Committee is now at the end of its 4th year (first meeting was on January 25, 2019) and the ICR is at the end of its 6th year (implemented 2016-2017).

As can be seen in the previous ICR Committee’s Reports to Senate, the ICR Committee had been working beyond its initial terms of reference. To address this, on March 22, 2021 the Committee submitted, to the Ad Hoc Senate Standing Rules Committee, a document outlining proposed changes to the terms of reference. Members of the SSR Committee were extremely collegial and easy to work with throughout the consultation. It was decided that, for the time being, the ICR Committee should proceed following the initial terms of reference. As a result, we did not host a Fall or Spring Workshop for ICR Instructors.

The following courses were recommended to Senate for ICR designation:

- ANTH 2407 *Language Revitalization*
Existing course submitted for approval as an ICR course.
Reviewed and approved.
- ANTH 2408 *Indigenous Languages, Contact and Change*
Existing course submitted for approval as an ICR.
Reviewed and approved.
- HIST 3613 *Native American History to 1850.*
Existing course submitted for approval. Course use to exist as HIST 3609 which was a 6 credit hr course. Course has been split into two 3 hour courses.
Reviewed and approved.
- HIST 3614 *Native American History 1850 to the Present*

Existing course submitted for approval. Course use to exist as HIST 3609 which was a 6 credit hr course. Course has been split into two 3 hour courses.
Reviewed and approved.

IL 1408 *Indigenous Languages, Contact and Change*

Existing course submitted for approval as an ICR course.
Reviewed and approved.

THFM 1003 *Introduction to Theatre: Indigenous Performance*

Existing experimental Course submitted as an ICR course.
Reviewed and approved.

The following courses were approved as meeting ICR requirements for student requests for recognition:

ICR approved transfer credit for a course from the University of Manitoba: Social Work SWRK 4220 A02, *Social Work and Aboriginal People*, Summer Term 2015.

The following scholars were recommended to receive funding to support their ICR Courses:

Fall Term 2021:

Dr. C. Fiola: UIC 3010 Two-Spirit, Indigiqueer & Indigenous LGBTQ Realities (\$550).

Winter Term 2022:

Dr. A. Curren: CJ 2100-003/004 Foundations of Criminal Justice (\$200).

Funding amounts of applicants were reviewed to ensure that honorariums align with the new Elder Protocols approved by Senate in May 2020.

Monitoring ICR Institutional Analysis and related research:

The Committee reviewed the *Indigenous Course Requirement Course Registration and Capacity Analysis: End of Year 5 Report* by Institutional Analysis (IA).

A couple of things were discussed at our meeting: One, IA should identify which instructors are Indigenous 2) the high amount of CAS teaching ICR courses is a bit disconcerting and speaks to the need to hire more Indigenous faculty.

Other Activities:

A Policy and Procedures sub-committee was formed and met 5 times. A document was scheduled to be presented to the ICR Committee at the June, 2021 meeting but it was tabled until our next meeting and tabled again until the new members joined the Committee and the

vacant position in the ICR Committee was filled. Julie Pelletier, Marc Kuly, and Jeannie Kerr's terms ended June, 2021 and Mary Jane McCallum resigned on September 13, 2021 (her term was scheduled to end June, 2022). As of April, 2022 we have a full committee and have resurrected the Policies and Procedures document for discussion.

Current Activities:

We are currently discussing suggested changes to the ICR consult form. Senate Curriculum Committee is in the process of reviewing Senate forms. The ICR Committee will be meeting in May to finalize our recommended changes and forward these on to the SCC Chair.

The previously tabled Policies and Procedures document, which has some relevance to the discussion related to the ICR consult form, will be presented to the Committee at our May, 2022 meeting.

Closing Statement:

I would like to acknowledge and thank the outgoing Committee members (Jeannie Kerr, Marc Kuly, Mary Jane McCallum, and Julie Pelletier) for their hard work, long hours, positive energy, and commitment, and welcome our new members (Nora Casson, Jan DeFehr, Chantal Fiola, and Melanie O'Gorman).

The dedicated members of this Committee, strongly believing in the ICR and Indigenization, contributed to the deliberations and functioning of the ICR.

Our Committee is fortunate to have Ramona Hallett (former Coordinator for Indigenous Academic Lead and now Administrative Officer, Office of the Associate Vice-President, Academic), keeping us on track.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mark F. Ruml

On behalf of the members of the ICR Committee