

**Senate Indigenous Course Requirement Committee’s Annual Report to the Senate
April 30, 2023 – April 30, 2024**

2023-2024 Senate Indigenous Course Requirement (SICR) Committee Membership:

	Role	Member	Term Ends
1)	Faculty Member – Humanities	Cathy Mattes	2024
2)	Faculty Member – Social Sciences	Heidi Rimke	2025
3)	Faculty Member – Sciences	Nora Casson	2025
4)	Faculty Member at Large as defined in Table 1	VACANCY	
5)	Faculty Member	Kimberley Ducey (Co-Chair)	2025
6)	Faculty Member	Devin Latimer	2025
7)	Indigenous Academic Lead (Acting)	VACANCY	Ex Officio
8)	Member of UWSA Executive	Jonathan Henderson Ex Officio	Ex Officio
9)	Registrar	Colin Russell	Ex Officio
10)	Library Representative	Danielle Bitz	Ex Officio

To begin, we note that in 2023-2024, the Indigenous Course Requirement (ICR) was in its eighth year, and the Senate Indigenous Course Requirement (SICR) Committee’s duties included:

1. review and approve new, revised, or transferred undergraduate courses proposed as satisfying the ICR;
2. establish parameters for reviewing/waiving ICR requirements based on Prior Learning Assessment Recognition (PLAR) or other circumstances; and
3. review and approve cases for waiving the ICR based on PLAR or other circumstances.

In 2023-2024, the following courses were recommended to the Senate for ICR designation:

1. ANTH-2409 – Oral Immersion in Michif I and
2. ANTH-2410 – Oral Immersion in Michif II.

In 2023-2024, the following courses were approved as meeting ICR requirements based on PLAR:

1. HUMA-1004 “A Context for Practice with Indigenous Peoples” (Red River College) and

In 2023-2024, the ICR form was revised to resemble other SCC forms and was posted to the ICR website: [icsr-approved-course-list.pdf \(uwinnipeg.ca\)](https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/icsr/icsr-approved-course-list.pdf).

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In conclusion, we—the SIRC Committee co-chairs—offer gratitude to our fellow committee members.

We are especially indebted to and hugely appreciative of the contributions of Ramona Hallett, Administrative Officer, Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic. Ramona Hallett’s essential work, dedication, brilliant expertise and wisdom, compassionate support, kind encouragement, mentorship, and guidance—generously shared—were indispensable. The SIRC Committee and the broader university community owe Ramona Hallett a considerable debt, as do the 2023-2024 SIRC co-chairs. The latter would be lost without her and unable to fulfill their leadership role.

We are also grateful to our fellow 2023-2024 SIRC Committee members for their diligence, dedication, and insights. With their diverse academic backgrounds, intellectual humility, broad knowledge, and wide-ranging interests, the membership contributes effectively and profoundly to decision-making.

We especially offer outgoing SIRC Committee members our appreciation for two years of service!

It is the opinion of the 2023-2024 co-chairs that the SIRC committee—including its heart and soul, Ramona Hallett—is the very embodiment of the University of Winnipeg’s motto: *Lux et Veritas Floreant* (“Let Light and Truth Flourish”). We applaud our fellow SIRC Committee members for working at the forefront of our school’s mission. In their committee work, they create *light* (as illumination) and *truth* (as courageous speech). We consider it one of the greatest honours in our university careers to have served with them and as the 2023-2024 SIRC Committee co-chairs.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Henderson and Kimberley Ducey, SIRC