

Indigenous Environmental Issue Portfolio

(adapted for public)

Students must prepare an online Portfolio on a specific ongoing/contemporary Indigenous environmental issue. You are expected to prepare this Portfolio (ie: collect articles, photos, stories, and other secondary sources) throughout the semester and create an online Portfolio sharing your research materials, along with a 750-1000 word precis outlining what you have collected on this topic and why you chose to learn more about it.

Detailed Instructions:

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STEP ONE

Pick **ONE ongoing/contemporary** Indigenous environmental issue (ie: a water conflict, resource extraction issue, food security, environmental racism, climate change, community-based sustainability project, community food sovereignty projects, Indigenous Ecological Knowledge documentation projects, etc..) that connects to readings assigned throughout the term for this class. The geographic region is open!

STEP TWO

Prepare your portfolio using the online platform of your choosing (wordpress, wix, etc)

what counts as a scholarly source?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •News articles from a reputable news source (CBC, Globe and Mail, New York Times, BBC, Guardian, Al Jazeera, Ottawa Citizen, etc..)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Published literary works (poems, short stories, novels)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Photographs (either taken by you, or sourced and properly and clearly credited from another photographer)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Video links to documentaries, news stories from reputable sources (the National Film Board, CBC, Global, CTV, etc..)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Academic journal articles (ie: a journal article about the topic you are researching)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Artwork: your own artwork (drawings, paintings, etc..) or properly credited and sourced artwork by someone else depicting this Ottawa River watershed nonhuman being

STEP THREE

Write up a **750-1000 word** summary of your research findings that **ALSO** explains what you have learned about this Indigenous Environmental Issue. Upload this to your Portfolio

For the **750-1000 word summary**, use the following **structure** (use the following subject headings); **(WORTH 15 POINTS)**

1. Introduction: identify the ongoing Indigenous environmental issue (identify a) what the issue is, b) where it is happening, c) which Indigenous nations are being impacted by it/are involved in addressing it)

2. define the ongoing/contemporary Indigenous environmental issue in more depth – why does it matter to you, what drew you to it?

3. identify stakeholders or kin (people impacted by or connected to this environmental issue)

4. discuss how this issue ties in with course readings/discussions (cite at least two course readings)

5. Conclusion: tell us what you think the ecological/social outcomes of this Indigenous environmental issue

6. Bibliography of sources you have cited

STEP FOUR

Share your portfolio online (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram etc) with the hashtag **#INDG2015** so others can learn from your research. 😊

Thanks for participating in our collective learning about Indigenous environmental issues.

If you have enjoyed the course, feel free to share the website with others.