Macdonald Collegiate Institute

Course Name	English: Understanding Contemporary First Nations, Métis and Inuit Voices (College English)		Grade	11
Course Code	NBE3C		Credit Value	1
Prerequisite	ENG2D Or Recommended			
		Prerequisite		
Type of Course	Semester 1, College Preparation English Course			
Course Description: This course explores the themes, forms, and stylistic elements of literary, informational, graphic,				
oral, cultural, and media text forms emerging from First Nations, Métis, and Inuit cultures in Canada, and also looks at				
the perspectives and influences of texts that relate to those cultures. In order to understand contemporary text forms				
and their themes of identity, relationship, and self-determination, sovereignty, or self-governance, students will study				
the use of text forms by Indigenous authors/creators from other periods in expressing ideas related to these themes.				
Students will also create oral, written, and media texts to explore their own ideas and understanding, focusing on the				
development of literacy, communication, and critical and creative thinking skills necessary for success in academic and				
daily life. The course is intended to prepare students for the compulsory Grade 12 English college preparation course.				
Curriculum Policy: The Ontario Curriculum, First Nations, Metis and Inuit Studies, Grades 9-12, (Revised 2019), pg.				
143-166, http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/secondary/First-nations-metis-inuit-studies-grades-9-12.pdf				

Curriculum Categories

Knowledge and Understanding: Subject-specific content acquired in each grade/course (knowledge), and the comprehension of its meaning and significance (understanding)

Thinking: The use of critical and creative thinking skills and/or processes

Communication: The conveying of meaning through various forms

Application: The use of knowledge and skills to make connections within and between various contexts

Assessment and Evaluation of Student Achievement (subject to change):

Unit	Unit Title/Description	Evaluation Task	Strand Focus
Unit 1	Connections to Land	Paragraph, Sight Passage	First Nations, Métis and Inuit
	Short Stories + Prose, Poetry	Analysis, Poster	Perspectives & Text Forms in Canada,
			Reading, Writing
Unit 2	Novel Study	Essay, Multimedia Presentation,	First Nations, Métis and Inuit
	The Night Wanderer	Journal	Perspectives & Text Forms in Canada,
			Reading, Writing, Media, Oral Comm
Unit 3	Telling Story	Photo Journal, Multimedia	First Nations, Métis and Inuit
	(Auto)Biographies &	Presentation	Perspectives & Text Forms in Canada,
	Independent Lit Study		Reading, Media, Writing
Unit 4	Beyond the Lens	Film(s) Analysis, Media	First Nations, Métis and Inuit
	Film & Doc	Paragraph, Journal	Perspectives & Text Forms in Canada,
			Media, Writing, Oral Comm
Unit 5	Culminating Activity	Multimedia Presentation	First Nations, Métis and Inuit
	Exam	(Podcast)	Perspectives & Text Forms in Canada,
			Reading, Writing, Media, Oral Comm

evaluated in accordance with the achievement charts in the provincial curriculum and reported using percentage marks.			
Achievement Level	Percentage Mark	Achievement Description	
	Range		
HL4/L4+	95 – 100	Level 4 identifies achievement that surpasses the provincial standard. The student	
L4	87 – 94	demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with a high degree of effectiveness.	
LL4/L4-	80 – 86		
HL3/L3+	77 – 79	Level 3 represents the provincial standard for achievement. The student	
L3	73 – 76	demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with considerable effectiveness.	
LL3/L3-	70 – 72	Parents of students achieving at level 3 can be confident that their children will be	
		prepared for work in subsequent grades/courses	
HL2/L2+	67 – 69	Level 2 represents achievement that approaches the provincial standard. The	
L2	63 – 66	student demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with some effectiveness.	
LL2/L2-	60 – 62	Students performing at this level need to work on identified learning gaps to ensure	
		future success.	
HL1/L1+	57 – 59	Level 1 represents achievement that falls much below the provincial standard. The	
L1	53 – 56	student demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with limited effectiveness.	
LL1/L1-	50 – 52	Students must work at significantly improving learning in specific areas, as	

Levels of Achievement: For Grades 9-12, a student's achievement of the overall curriculum expectations will be evaluated in accordance with the achievement charts in the provincial curriculum and reported using percentage marks.

Students who achieve below 50% have not met curriculum expectations; a credit will not be granted.

Learning Skills	Assessment of Learning Skills	
Responsibility, Organization, Independent Work,	Excellent (E); Good (G); Satisfactory (S); Needs	
Collaboration, Initiative, Self-Regulation	Improvement (N)	

necessary, if they are to be successful in the next grade/course

Weighting by Strands			
Writing	15% overall	Media	15% overall
Reading	15% overall	Oral Communication	15% overall
Culminating Activity	Ilminating Activity 30 % overall First Nations, Métis and Inuit Perspectives and Text 10% o		10% overall
Exam		Forms in Canada (in combination to all other strands)	

Assessment and Evaluation Strategies: the following is a list of potential A/E strategies used within the course; the list

may not be exhaustive and is subject to change

ightarrow media/visual displays	\rightarrow quotation/text analysis	→focused responses	\rightarrow oral presentations		
→debate	→literature circle	→tests	\rightarrow self-reflections		
→essays	→quizzes	\rightarrow peer assessment			
CALCULATION OF FINAL MARK					

70% for evaluations conducted throughout the course;

30% for a Culminating Activity (15%)/Exam (15%)

Please note: Changes to the above course outline, while minimal, may be made during the year, at the discretion of the teacher.