Macdonald Collegiate Institute

Course Name	English: Understanding Contemporary First Nations, Métis		Grade	11
	and Inuit Voices (University English)			
Course Code	NBE3U		Credit Value	1
Pre-Requisite	ENG2D	Or Recommended	N/A	
		Pre-Requisite		
Type of Course	of Course Semestered, University Preparation English Course			

POSSIBLE TEXTBOOKS

REPLACEMENT COST (if lost or damaged)

Viewpoints 11 \$52.2

Moon of the Crusted Snow, Various Novels

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES/LEARNING MATERIALS: SELECTED FILM ADAPTATIONS

Course Description: This course explores the themes, forms, and stylistic elements of a variety of literary, informational, graphic, oral, cultural, and media text forms emerging from First Nations, Métis, and Inuit cultures in Canada, and also examines the perspectives and influence of texts that relate to those cultures. In order to fully understand contemporary text forms and their themes of identity, relationship, and self-determination, sovereignty, or self governance, students will analyse the changing use of text forms by Indigenous authors/ creators from various periods and cultures 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 university or college preparation course.

Curriculum Policy: The Ontario Curriculum, First Nations, Metis and Inuit Studies, Grades 9-12, (Revised 2019), pg. 117-142, http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/secondary/First-nations-metis-inuit-studies-grades-9-12.pdf

Curriculum Strands/Categories (this may differ depending on discipline and level)

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

Unit Title/Description	Evaluations	Strand Focus
Connections to Land	Paragraph response, Narrative	First Nations, Métis and Inuit Perspectives and Text Forms
Narrative Essay	(Photo) Essay, Media Analysis	in Canada, Reading, Writing, Media
Elements of Indigenous Style	Writing Portfolio, Multi-Media	First Nations, Métis and Inuit Perspectives and Text Forms
Poetry + Prose	Presentation	in Canada, Writing, Oral Comm, Media, Reading
Moon of the Crusted Snow	Comparative Film Analysis,	First Nations, Métis and Inuit Perspectives and Text Forms
Novel	Literary Paragraph,	in Canada, Writing, Oral Comm, Media
Independent Literature Study	Literature Circles, Posters, Book	First Nations, Métis and Inuit Perspectives and Text Forms
	Chat	in Canada, Reading, Writing, Oral Comm, Media
Culminating Activity, Exam	Journals, Podcast Presentation,	First Nations, Métis and Inuit Perspectives and Text Forms
	Exam	in Canada, Reading, Writing, Media and Oral Comm

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Levels of Achievement

For Grades 9 to 12, a student's achievement of the overall curriculum expectations will be evaluated in accordance with the achievement charts in the provincial curriculum and will be 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 demonstrates	
L3	73 – 76	the specified knowledge and skills with considerable effectiveness. Parents of students	
LL3/L3-	70 – 72	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 student	
L2	63 – 66	demonstrates the specified knowledge and skills with some effectiveness. Students	
LL2/L2-	60 – 62	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 necessary, if	
		they are to be successful in the next grade/course	

^{*}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, Collaboration	Excellent (E), Good (G), Satisfactory (S), Needs Improvement (N)
Initiative, Self-Regulation	

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

→journal writing →quotation/text analysis →focused responses

ightarroworal presentations ightarrowclass discussions ightarrowessay

ightarrowperspective identification ightarrowliterature circles ightarrowaudio/video

 \rightarrow self-reflections \rightarrow peer assessment \rightarrow media/visual displays

CALCULATION OF FINAL MARK*

- \rightarrow 70% for evaluations conducted throughout the course
- → 30% for Culminating Activities (15% Culminating, 15% Exam)

^{*}The above is subject to change at the discretion of the Grade Eleven teaching team.