

SCHOOL OF ARCTIC AND SUBARCTIC STUDIES

LABRADOR CAMPUS OF MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

Meeting of the Academic Council

March 26th, 2024

Present:

ASHLEE CUNSOLO (Chair; Vice-Provost, Labrador Campus, & Dean, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies)

KARLA ABBASS (Executive Assistant to the Vice-Provost & Dean, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies)

DARIA BOLTOKOVA (Assistant Professor, Anthropology, Cross-Appointed with SASS)

ASHLEY HOLLOWAY (Senior Assistant Registrar, Labrador Campus & NAC)

AMY HUDSON (Assistant Professor, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies)

JESSE JACOBS (Director, NAC-Memorial University Partnership)

SYLVIA MOORE (Associate Professor, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies)

SCOTT NEILSEN (Associate Professor, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies & Department of Archaeology)

SARAH PAPPLE (Public Services Librarian, SASS)

NATHANIEL POLLOCK (Adjunct Professor, SASS)

LISA RANKIN (Professor of Archaeology, Cross-Appointed with SASS)

ALEX SAWATZKY (Secretary; Knowledge Mobilization Manager, Labrador Campus; Adjunct Professor, SASS)

JAMIE SNOOK (Executive Director, Torngat Secretariat; Adjunct Professor, SASS)

Regrets:

KANANI DAVIS (Chief Executive Officer, Mamu Tshishkutamashutau Innu Education)

ARN KEELING (Professor & Head of Dept. of Geography, Cross-Appointed with SASS)

JODIE LANE (Director of Education, Nunatsiavut Government)

ALYSSA PAUL (Chief Administrative Officer, NunatuKavut Community Council)


Guests:

BARBARA OLSON (Chair of Academic Excellence, NAC)

NUNIA ANOEE (Inuktitut Educator, NAC)

DISCUSSION

With guests Barbara Olson and Nunia Anoee, from Nunavut Arctic College



WHEN DEVELOPING YOUR COURSES, DID YOU WORK FROM EXISTING EXAMPLES?

WE DID RESEARCH ON EXISTING COURSES AND PROGRAMS AND DIDN'T FIND ANY THAT SUITED OUR CONTEXT

WE CREATED COURSE FRAMEWORKS TO BE FLEXIBLE ENOUGH TO BE STUDENT-DRIVEN

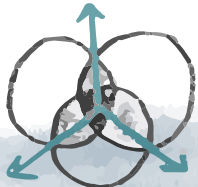
WE PREMISED OUR COURSES ON ANTI-COLONIAL APPROACHES WHEREVER POSSIBLE



DO YOU HAVE A FRAMEWORK FOR INCORPORATING CULTURE INTO YOUR COURSES?

CULTURE IS IMPLICIT IN THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF OUR OVERALL PROGRAM

WE WANTED TO CREATE SOMETHING DIFFERENT THAT CELEBRATES THE RICH AND DEEP LEARNING THAT COMES FROM THE LANDS, ICE, AND WATERS OF LABRADOR AND ACROSS THE NORTH



WHAT DOES WELLNESS LOOK LIKE IN YOUR COURSES?

RECOGNIZING BALANCE

● ACKNOWLEDGING THE WHOLE PERSON — STUDENTS ARE MORE THAN JUST THEIR PROGRAM

UNLEARNING / UNPACKING THE DOMINANT STRUCTURES OF ACADEMIA AND DEVELOPING NEW WAYS OF LEARNING

PROMOTING HEALING AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING WHEREVER WE CAN

● EDUCATION AND RESEARCH NEED TO BE ABOUT HEALING

● LAND-BASED AND PLACE-BASED LEARNING

● RECIPROCALITY OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

UPDATES

STAFFING



CURRENTLY INTERVIEWING / INTERVIEWING SOON

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR POSITION: SHORTLISTED 2 CANDIDATES



ONE CANDIDATE ACCEPTED ANOTHER POSITION AT A DIFFERENT NORTHERN INSTITUTION

THE OTHER CANDIDATE WILL BE COMING TO LABRADOR IN MID-APRIL FOR A SITE VISIT AND MEETINGS

CLOSED POSITIONS

WELLNESS & SUCCESS NAVIGATOR: STILL WORKING WITH HR

ADVERTISING

PROGRAM COORDINATOR: CAMPUS ELDERS, AUNTIES, AND UNCLES PROGRAM

GENERAL CAMPUS UPDATES

LIBRARY

NEW "ARCTIC AND SUBARCTIC STUDIES" SUBJECT GUIDE IS NOW AVAILABLE ON THE MEMORIAL LIBRARY WEBSITE!

"SPRING INTO THE LIBRARY" LAUNCH WAS ON MARCH 20

STARTING A MONTHLY "BEYOND BOOKS" EVENT SERIES



AROUND CAMPUS

MURALS ARE BEING PRINTED!

WILL BE PLACED IN THE HALLWAYS AND CLASSROOMS ON THE FIRST FLOOR



ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING

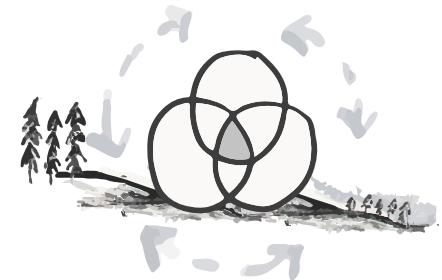
GRAD PROGRAM



PEOPLE, PLACE, AND IDENTITY STUDENT SHOWCASE TOOK PLACE ON MARCH 9

STUDENTS PRESENTED PORTFOLIOS THAT THEY DEVELOPED THROUGHOUT THREE WEEKEND INTENSIVES THIS PAST YEAR

UNDERGRAD PROGRAM



THE BASIS WEBPAGE IS LIVE!

REMINDER TO CONTINUE GETTING THE WORD OUT TO RECRUIT SOME AWESOME STUDENTS FOR FALL 2024 :)



NEXT MEETING: APRIL 30 @ 4:00 PM ATLANTIC