

## Online Certificate in Gladue Principles: Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian Criminal Justice System

-Non-credit programming under 48 hours-

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Gladue Principles: Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian Criminal Justice System - Essential training for anyone working in the criminal justice system and/or Indigenous communities. Our two-part online certificate program covering the who, what, when, where and why of R. v. Gladue.



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Gladue refers to the right that Indigenous People have under section 718.2 (e) of the Criminal Code.



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Pay particular attention to the life circumstances of Indigenous offenders

Gladue instructs judges when sentencing an Indigenous offender to consider



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## Laurier launches Gladue Principles program

BRANTFORD – Wilfrid Laurier University has launched the [Gladue Principles: Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian Criminal Justice System](#) program to help students and professionals learn practice and theory related to this important aspect of Canada’s Criminal Code.

The result of a collaboration between the university’s [Centre for Public Safety and Well Being](#), Office of Indigenous Initiatives and the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, the Gladue Principles program offers both credit and non-credit opportunities.

“This program was created in response to a direct request; we were asked to raise awareness of the issues related to Indigenous peoples’ experiences in the Canadian criminal justice system, and specifically to experiences in Indigenous People’s Courts,” said Melissa Ireland, director and interim senior advisor, [Indigenous Initiatives](#). “We felt it was critical that the information come from Indigenous voices, so we ensured the design was by Indigenous academics and experts in the field.”

The 1999 Supreme Court of Canada decision, R. v. Gladue, acknowledged that the Canadian criminal justice system is systemically racist in its treatment of Indigenous peoples and recommends courts consider an Indigenous person’s background when making sentencing decisions. Despite this change, issues persist, and Indigenous persons still account for 30 per cent of those incarcerated in Canadian federal prisons.

This course – with non-credit and for-credit options available – takes an in-depth look at the past and present of Gladue principles as applied in Canadian courts, and probes into what the process could evolve to in the future.

The [non-credit certificate](#) includes six modules totaling 80 hours of course work delivered online. Participants learn at their own pace, making it accessible for working professionals, including those seeking positions in the criminal justice field and those interested in Indigenous rights.

Modules cover historic factors contributing to the creation of Gladue Principles, an introduction to restorative justice, the importance of Indigenous laws and will dive into Gladue case law.

The Gladue Principles [credit course](#), offered for the first time in January 2021, is designed as a comprehensive examination of Gladue for Laurier and non-Laurier students who anticipate careers in the legal, social, Indigenous rights and public safety sectors.




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## **Gladue Principles:**

### **Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian Criminal Justice System**



The Canadian Criminal Code requires additional factors to be considered when sentencing Indigenous offenders. Our fully online learning options take a comprehensive look at Gladue principles of justice from a historical, contemporary, practical and critical lens. The content covers:

- Historical contexts including generational effects of colonization
  - Section 718.2(e) of the Criminal Code
  - Case and Indigenous law
    - Gladue courts
    - Restorative justice
    - Gladue in practice
- What is needed to increase its success moving forward

These learning options provide a comprehensive examination of Gladue for those working or anticipate careers in the legal, social, Indigenous rights and public safety sectors. Lawyers, judges, social workers, police, probation and parole officers, paralegals, teachers, and other professionals who may work, or aspire to work in or support a Gladue court and need more education related to Indigenous history, Indigenous law and restorative justice, Gladue reports and Indigenous rights.

Two Options:

Credit course designed for university students

Non-credit Certificate for working professionals – self-paced, 80-hour certificate

**[wlu.ca/cpsw/gladue](http://wlu.ca/cpsw/gladue)**



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