

New Westminster Online Learning School

B.C. First Peoples 12:

Course Description

B.C. First Peoples 12 is a course that helps students learn about the cultures, histories, and perspectives of Indigenous Peoples in British Columbia. The course encourages respectful thinking about colonial impacts, Indigenous resilience, and the importance of reconciliation.

Big Ideas

- B.C. First Peoples' identities and languages are deeply connected to the land.
- Colonialism continues to affect their communities and ways of life.
- Their cultures are vibrant, diverse, and resilient.
- Through self-governance and leadership, they assert their rights and challenge colonial systems.

*Click [here](#) to view the curricular competency and learning standards.

Expectations and Guidelines

- Students are expected to log in at least three times a week and submit the first activity within 2 weeks of enrolling (If students do not log in for more than a week, participate, or communicate with the instructor, they will receive two notifications via Brightspace course mail. No response within a week may lead to withdrawal.)
- A maximum of two items may be submitted per week. *This course will take a minimum of 6 weeks to finish, and students should complete it in about four months.
- Students are expected to *use Brightspace course mail* for communication.
- All submitted work must be original and reflect the student's own thinking and voice. If authorship is unclear, supervised in-class handwritten writing may be arranged by the instructor to support academic integrity.

Course Content

Module 1	Perspective and Place
Module 2	Contact, Resistance, and Leadership
Module 3	Creativity and Culture
Module 4	Contemporary Issues

Student Learning Activities

All lessons, assignments, and assessments are online and include text, videos, and website links. Taking notes and keeping them organized in a binder is highly recommended.

Assessment

This course includes four assignments, four quizzes, and four tests. The tests must be completed on site (New Westminster Secondary School.).

Rubrics are provided for each assignment and should be reviewed before submitting work. A draft may be emailed for feedback before final submission, or support can be requested during the teacher's office hours. To schedule an appointment, students are encouraged to contact the teacher using Brightspace course mail.

A midterm mark can be requested after completing at least 50% of the course. The instructor must be notified at least two weeks in advance. For final marks needed for post-secondary applications, all coursework must be completed at least two weeks before the institution's deadline.

Final marks are based on overall progress and how well learning standards are met with a focus on fairness and consistency.

*Work cannot be submitted during breaks. Students are encouraged to use these times to rest and recharge.

Resources

All materials are online, so access to a reliable internet is essential. No textbook or workbook is required.

Thank you.