



EDCP: Media Studies Activities

1. Indigenous Culture and Media

- a. Acknowledgements
 - i. Through the stroke of a pen in 1858, Queen Victoria created the colony of British Columbia and transformed First Nations traditional territory into Crown Land. In 1907, an amendment to the BC Land Act granted 3,000 acres (5 sq. miles) to a University Endowment.
 - ii. UBC property sits precariously on unceded Musqueam territory aggressively developed by settlers into prime Vancouver real estate over the past century and most aggressively since 1988 when the UBC Real Estate Corporation (Properties Trust) was established.
 - iii. Please note the resources indicated in the [*Coping with Emotional Reactions*](#) brochure (<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/healthy-living/coping-emotional-reactions.html>), for yourself or peers and students with which you work as you address the TRC's historical analysis of residential schooling.
 - iv. [*IRSC on campus*](#)
- b. Events
 - i. 2008-2015 Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada
 1. 2015 *Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future*
 - a. Recommendations
 - ii. 2012-2016 Idle No More
 - iii. 2015 Port Alberni School District taken to Court (Aboriginal spirituality practice, smudge burning, John Howitt Elementary School, September of 2015) <http://www.am730.ca/syn/112/243880/vancouver-island-mother-suing-school-district-after-children>
 - iv. 2016 *The Secret Path*
 1. Jeff Lemire
 2. Gord Downie
 - v. 2017 National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls
 - vi. 2017 Indian Residential School History and Dialogue Centre (IRSC)
- c. Controversy over the *Roughing It* text and guide, which emerged in fall of 2017. There's quite a bit in the media and Twitter has been especially active. See, e.g.,
 - i. *Huffington Post* http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2017/09/18/indigenous-slur-appears-39-times-in-book-taught-to-b-c-high-schoolers_a_23213820/
 - ii. AICL blog post is helpful as well <https://americanindiansinchildrensliterature.blogspot.ca/2017/09/not-recommended-susanna-moodie-roughing.html>
 - iii. Please listen to the CBC podcast September 27, 2017 "Reconciling the Public School System" <http://www.cbc.ca/listen/shows/the-early-edition/episodes>
 1. We can learn a lot about the BC public education system in this brief exchange on the CBC.
 - iv. A backstory is the BC Ministry's New Curriculum reform <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca>
 - v. Compare w/ the 1990s-present curriculum in the Wayback Machine, ca. 2012 <https://web.archive.org/web/20121018122133/http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/welco>
 - vi. <https://web.archive.org/web/20121018122133/http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/welco>
- d. Kent Monkman <http://canadianart.ca/features/kent-monkman-critiques-canada-150/>
- e. Thomas King <http://www.nsi-canada.ca/2012/03/im-not-the-indian-you-had-in-mind/>