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## **Project: Indigenous Curriculum Development for International and English as Additional Language Students at UBC**

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Dear Staff/Faculty,

This letter is to invite you to participate in a survey that aims to assess the current climate of International and English as Additional Language (EAL) student engagement in Indigenous topics, as well as your particular support units' capacity for engagement in these topics. The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology (CTLT) Indigenous Initiatives is a unit at UBC that creates and offers educational programming for faculty and staff with a focus on Indigenous content, programming, and developing professional capacities for critical dialogues around Indigenous topics. CTLT Indigenous Initiatives is undertaking research on how to implement curriculum that will introduce International students and EAL learners to Indigenous topics, histories, and relationships to Canada and UBC. The data collected will be used to generate a summary report and recommendations for future CTLT Indigenous Initiatives project work.

In the survey, we will inquire about various aspects of your experience working with International and EAL students, as well as Indigenous topics in a general sense. We invite you to take 20-25 minutes to complete the survey. You are not obligated to participate and do not need to answer questions that you're uncomfortable with.

This survey is voluntary and all information received will remain confidential. You have the option to remain completely anonymous when completing the survey. However, should you wish to be contacted by CTLT Indigenous Initiatives regarding future initiatives related to this or other topics, you may provide your contact information in the text box provided. Doing so will not compromise the anonymity of your survey results as any contact information collected will be stored in a separate spreadsheet and organized alphabetically to ensure it cannot be connected with your response. Submission of the survey confirms your agreement to participate and your understanding of the research study.

If you have any questions or do not wish to participate or receive any follow-up reminders by email or telephone, you may contact Victoria Cooke at [victoria.cooke@alumni.ubc.ca](mailto:victoria.cooke@alumni.ubc.ca).

If you have any concerns or complaints about your rights as a research participant and/or your experiences while participating in this study, contact the Research Participant Complaint Line in the UBC Office of Research Ethics at 604-822-8598 or if long distance e-mail [RSIL@ors.ubc.ca](mailto:RSIL@ors.ubc.ca) or call toll free 1-877-822-8598.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Warm wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Victoria Cooke". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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