The Department of Sociology & Anthropology Presents

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Academia + Indigenous Inclusion = ?

To honour the Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommendations, universities are working on inclusion plans focused on indigenization: hiring Indigenous faculty and staff, adding Indigenous knowledges to syllabi, and increasing efforts to attract Indigenous students. One example has a philosophy department adding an Indigenous Philosophy course without discussing the move with any Indigenous people. Drawing on the grassroots positions of #IdleNoMore and Nothing About Us Without Us, Patricia will discuss what features an Indigenous-centred method of inclusion might have. Through theorizing how Anishinaabe Philosophy could be included as a course in a philosophy department, Patricia will demonstrate Bizaan-Bizindan, a method of inclusion which asks non-Anishinaabeg to be quiet and listen. Patricia will conclude that educational justice for Indigenous peoples starts with Bizaan-Bizindan.

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