

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN

# Indigenous Policy and Administration



## Career Options

The graduate diplomas prepare graduates for working in or with First Nation, Métis and Inuit governments and organizations. There is an increasing need for leaders who can work in this fluid environment with a deep and comprehensive understanding of Indigenous history, law, economics and politics.

## Building effective leadership and management across Indigenous and non-Indigenous organizations.

Carleton's School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA) offers unique Graduate Diplomas in Indigenous Policy and Administration (IPA). They are designed for working professionals or current and incoming graduate students from Carleton and other universities. The diplomas offer essential knowledge and skills for working in and with Indigenous governments and organizations. They provide students with the opportunity to develop critical analyses and to understand the dynamics and interaction of Indigenous and general Canadian governance and administration. Courses address First Nations, Métis and Inuit history, politics and contemporary structures,

approaches to economic development, and the evolving legal context. Students will develop skills in financial management, community development, organizational design and leadership. The IPA courses begin with an intensive on-campus Summer Institute followed by online study. Students may take one or two courses per semester, potentially completing the six course diploma in one year.

## Degrees Offered

Graduate Diplomas;  
Concentration as part of the Master of Public Policy and Administration

## Application Deadline

**April 1.** Students who want to take the concentration need to apply for the normal MPPA program, which has deadlines earlier in the year.

## Admission Requirements

A four-year bachelor's degree (or equivalent) with an average of B+ or better. Mid-career applicants who do not have a BA (honours) but who have demonstrated relevant professional excellence over five years or more are welcome to apply.

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