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TOWARDS ALLYSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS IN INDIGENOUS RESEARCH

Workshop facilitated by:

Katie Big-Canoe (she/her) and Mariam Hayward (she/her)



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DATE: NOV 9, 2026

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

LOCATION: HSA 101

DESCRIPTION:

Building on two new Western University resources, Centering Indigenous Voices: A Guide Towards Allyship in Indigenous Research and online module Towards Allyship and Partnerships in Indigenous Research, this workshop helps the Western community move from awareness to action by exploring allyship, self-reflection, ethical research relationships, reciprocity, and community-engaged approaches to Indigenous research. The module emphasizes that allyship is an ongoing practice grounded in humility, accountability, self-education, reciprocity, and centering Indigenous voices.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS:

Katie Big-Canoe is Anishinaabe from the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. As Western's inaugural Indigenous Research Specialist, she works in collaboration with the Western community to advance the respectful inclusion of, and capacity for, Indigenous research. She has worked in academic and applied community-based research contexts and draws from these experiences to support the intersectional needs of both academics and Indigenous communities. She holds two degrees from Western; a Bachelor of Science (Biology and Geography), and a Master of Arts (Geography) and currently serves as a member of Western's Senate and as Chair of the Network of Indigenous Research Administrators.

Mariam Hayward is the inaugural Director, Inclusive Research Excellence and Impact at Western Research, Western University. She leads institutional strategies related to knowledge mobilization, equity, diversity, inclusion and decolonization, research assessment and impact, Indigenous research, and awards and distinctions. With expertise in mixed-methods evaluation and community-based research, she also supports program evaluation and collaborative initiatives. Mariam teaches grant writing through Western Continuing Studies and has worked with organizations including the Office of the Auditor General, Health Canada, Diabetes Canada, and the BC Provincial Diabetes Strategy. Her research focuses on the role of third-space professionals in higher education and research administration.



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