# TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION AT SCHULICH MEDICINE & DENTISTRY

SEPT 30 IS NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION (NDTR)

# My Reconcili**ACTION** is...



# **Beyond the Orange Shirt: What Comes Next?**



Wearing an orange shirt is a powerful symbol, but reconciliation requires ongoing commitment. Learning the truth about residential schools and unlearning the colonial narratives that created them is a process. Use this journey to create meaningful Reconciliaction to honour Survivors and the Indigenous children who never returned home.

What is your Reconcili**ACTION**?

Use the QR code above to anonymously share an action you will take toward reconciliation this year. Big or small, your contribution will join a living wall of commitments to inspire even more collective action and change.

\*Inspired by Western's Indigenous Learning Circle session on ReconciliACTion (Sept. 22, 2021) and the reflections gathered through its Padlet activity.

### Why It Matters

Every action is a step forward. Together, we can create a culture of respect, learning, humility and accountability at Schulich that honors our responsibilities for truth and reconciliation.

### Some Ideas To Get You Started

- I will support Indigenous-led initiatives in my community
- I will watch the film "The Unforgotten" exploring the health and well-being of Indigenous peoples in Canada
- I will take the "Unpacking and Addressing Anti-Indigenous Racism" module at Western



## Resources to support learning and reflection:

Dedicate time to learning, unlearning, and reflecting on Indigenous histories, perspectives, and lived experiences. These resources offer pathways to deepen understanding, challenge colonial narratives, and support meaningful engagement with reconciliation.

#### **Braiding Truth Into Action**

A Guide Towards Indigenous Allyship at Western University is a transformative resource for non-Indigenous faculty, staff, and students committed to building intentional and reciprocal relationships with Indigenous Peoples.

<u>Value Link to: Indigenous Allyship at Western – Office of Indigenous Initiatives</u>

## Centering Indigenous Voices in Research

This guide provides practical guidance for respectful, ethical engagement with Indigenous communities, emphasizing sovereignty and cultural protocols. Developed collaboratively, it supports allyship and accountability in research impacting Indigenous Peoples, lands, and knowledges.

<u>Ø Link to: Guide Towards Allyship in Indigenous</u> <u>Research – Western Research</u>

#### Maatookiiying gaamiinigoowiziying (Sharing Our Gifts)

Explore the Indigenous Learning Bundles - a digital collection of Indigenous curriculum resources and learn how to integrate them into your course curriculum.

Created and shared by Indigenous peoples.

<u>A Link to: Indigenous Learning Bundles –</u>
Office of Indigenous Initiatives

# **Unpacking and Addressing Anti-Indigenous Racism**

This module explores the manifestation of racism against Indigenous Peoples in Canada and concrete strategies for taking action against it.

<u>Link to: Unpacking and Addressing Anti-Indigenous Racism – Western EDI</u>

#### Biindigen's Indigenous History Month Challenge

A 30 day challenge created by Western's Indigenous Learning Circle to engage all in learning about Indigenous peoples, perspectives, histories and cultures for National Indigenous History month. This curated collection of resources is timeless and noteworthy for annual events to attend next June.

#### Engaging with the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Toolkit

This toolkit supports educators, staff and leaders at Western by offering guidance and context for observing NDTR and advancing Reconciliation throughout the year

Link to: Engaging with the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Toolkit – Office of Indigenous Initiatives

Visit the Schulich EDI-D Website for more information! <a href="https://www.schulich.uwo.ca/edid/decolonization/NDTR">https://www.schulich.uwo.ca/edid/decolonization/NDTR</a> 2025.html



