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## Memorandum

Date: July 19, 2016  
To: Council of Chairs, Principals and Academic Directors  
Coalition of Arts and Science Directors  
From: David Cameron, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Science  
Re: **Nominations for the Working Group on Indigenous Teaching & Learning in the Faculty of Arts & Science**

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The Faculty of Arts & Science wishes to draw from the perspectives of faculty, staff and students representing its full breadth to address the calls for increased access to Indigenous content and Indigenous knowledges and perspectives as outlined by the [Native Students Association \(NSA\) petition](#) earlier this year. A&S is also committed to continuing progress from the [Report of the Special Rapporteur on Aboriginal Initiatives](#).

I am seeking nominations of individuals to serve on a Working Group on Indigenous Teaching & Learning. This group will meet bi-weekly throughout the fall semester to produce a public report to advise me on:

- I. Actions to be taken both by the Indigenous Studies program and much more broadly by the Faculty of Arts & Science.
- II. Ways to forge connections with other university divisions with respect to curriculum, student research opportunities, and co-curricular opportunities taught from an Indigenous perspective or that incorporate Indigenous content.
- III. Recommendations for a Faculty response to the institutional TRC steering committee.

The working group will be co-chaired by Professor Heidi Bohaker (History) and Audrey Rochette (MA student, Department of Religion, and Crane clan/Governance Leader of the NSA), and will be advised by two Elders.

We are seeking nominations from the following:

- I. 6-8 tenure- and teaching-stream faculty, including 2-3 from the Indigenous Studies program, and at least one from each sector within A&S (humanities, social sciences, sciences)
- II. 3-5 student support staff from Colleges, academic units, and other student support offices
- III. 2-3 graduate students
- IV. 3-5 undergraduate students

The [Terms of Reference for the Working Group](#) are available on the Arts & Science website.

Questions and nominations (of yourself or others) for the Working Group should be sent by **Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>** to [emily.greenleaf@utoronto.ca](mailto:emily.greenleaf@utoronto.ca).