

CI Newsletter: Nov 18-22, 2024

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Hello everyone! Check out some exciting resources, developments, and events below.

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Curriculum Integration Project



Fall 2024 Human Skills Cohort

The first cohort of Human Skills is quickly coming to the end of their formal workshops and sessions. Wednesday, November 13th was our last formal large-group learning workshop. We were thrilled to be joined by Prasad Jayasekera and Dan Lonergan from Seneca Works.

The next two sessions will be drop in working sessions along with some impromptu Q&A. We're hoping to see many of our Faculty Champions drop by to work on their Roadmaps together and share some of their ideas.

The cohort will close on our Celebration Day, which will take place on Wednesday, December 4th. More details on this in-person celebration in the very near future.

Curriculum Integration: Strategy Spotlight



Every CI Newsletter issue will feature a “Strategy Spotlight”, where we share a curriculum integration strategy or idea that you can adapt to your classroom. Each strategy comes with a learning objective and supporting activities, assessments and resources. The example is subject specific but can be adapted to any subject area.

In this edition, an accounting professor designs a carbon accounting assignment where students perform a carbon emissions audit using the Greenhouse Gas Protocol (GGP).

Integrating Sustainability into Accounting

- Summary: Students conducted carbon emissions audits using the framework for carbon accounting emissions standards provided by the [Greenhouse Gas Protocol](#) (GGP) resource (2020).
- Sample Learning Objective: Today we will develop promotional campaigns for sustainable marketing strategies.
- Related Activity: In groups, students complete their GGP analysis on a worksheet and share with the class. Professor and peers provide preliminary feedback on their analysis.
- Related Assessment: Students choose one of the worksheets provided and summarize it verbally or in a video.
- Related SDGs: SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy; SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
- Resource 1: [Learning Resources for GHG Accounting](#)
- Resource 2: [\(59:58\) Carbon Accounting 101 \[Video\]](#)
- Resource 3: [Corporate Finance Institute - Carbon Accounting](#)

Looking for more sustainability integration examples from different subject areas? Explore our [Curriculum Integration Teaching Sustainability Module](#) and scroll down to "Examples of Sustainability in the Classroom".

Tell us what's in your CI backpack! Do you have an integration idea to share with the Seneca community? Submit your idea here: [Curriculum Integration Idea form](#).

Classroom Connection: Northern Reads Book Club

[True North Aid](#) is a Canadian-registered charity that aims to provide practical humanitarian assistance based on eight foundational stones of support: self-determination, reconciliation, water, food, health, housing, culture and education. As part of their literacy initiatives, they have created a new national book club, which will be starting in January 2025. The first book of this new book club is [Valley of the Birdtail by Andrew Stobo Sniderman and Douglas Sanderson](#). (Some of the past faculty champions will know this book, as it was one of the gifted books from their Giveaway Day!)

Please consider joining this book club to support Indigenous literacy and knowledge in a fun and interactive setting! You can purchase the book from [GoodMinds](#), an Indigenous-owned family business, using the code BOOKCLUB2025 for free shipping.





Source: True North Aid

Event Calendar: Movember

In case you're wondering why there seems to be more appearances of a particular facial feature, November is the month for [folks to sport mustaches](#). Otherwise known as [Movember](#), this annual month's long awareness sheds light on men's health issues.

Men's health month explores general health and well-being, but most campaigns will focus on mental health and suicide prevention or prostate and testicular cancer. For support with these discussions or to learn about Movember campaigns, and what you can do to take action, visit the [Movember Canada site](#).

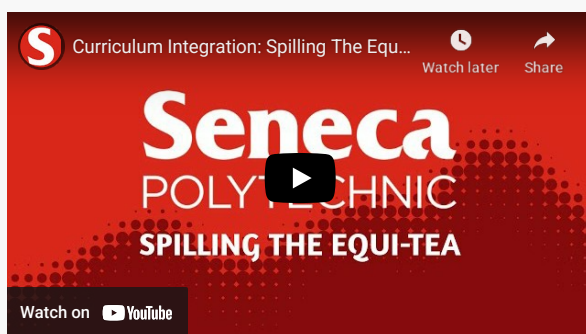
And for information about various events and celebrations for diversity and inclusion, explore:

- [November Diversity Calendar 2024](#)
- [Global Diversity Calendar 2025](#)

Spilling the Equi-TEA!: Gender-Inclusive Language and Pronouns

Each month, Akeisha Lari, Manager Reconciliation and Student Inclusion, shares classroom insights for student engagement. For her previous entries, visit the Newsletter archive. This month, Akeisha "spills the tea" on gender-inclusive language and pronouns, as part of [Transgender Awareness Week](#).

Reach out to Akeisha at any time to chat about connecting to our students:
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Event Calendar: 16 Days Against Gender-based Violence

Trigger warning: The following content discusses gender-based violence statistics, including partner violence, sexual assault, and missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls.

As November ends, and we digest the results of the United States election, it is time to reflect on and raise awareness on initiatives that call for an end to gender-based violence against women and girls.

Around the world almost one in three women have experienced [gender-based violence](#) at least once in their life (WHO, 2021). This is true in Canada, where compared to men, women and girls are more likely to experience [intimate partner violence](#) (IPV), sexual assault, and online harassment (Gov. of Canada, 2024). For women and girls three in four of all solved [homicides are gender-based](#) and of those, ninety-three percent are committed by a male family member or intimate partners (Gov. of Canada, 2023).

In addition, Indigenous women and girls make up only four percent of the total population of women in Canada despite this they are overrepresented in experiencing all forms of gender-related violence (Gov. of Canada, 2024; Gov. of Canada, 2016).

What can we do to combat gender-based violence?

The most important pieces to combating gender-based violence are educating yourself on and speaking out against it. The [International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women](#) (Nov 25th) marks the beginning of the [16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence](#) initiative that goes until [International Human Rights Day](#) (Dec 10th, 2024).

The [Government of Canada](#) sets out some great places to begin expanding your understanding on these important initiatives and provides advice on how you can act as an ally to women in combating gender-based violence.

In response to the overrepresentation of Indigenous women and girls, the [National Inquiry for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ People](#) (MMIWG2S) was formed. It is currently implementing a [National Action Plan](#) emphasizing the need to end systemic race and gender-based violence against Indigenous women, girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ people by focusing on survivors' voices, creating supports to combat gender and race-based violence, addressing problems at their roots and transforming societal views to create a more inclusive and equitable Canada.

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Looking for support? Feel free to reach out to the CI team at any time by emailing teaching@senecapolytechnic.ca

