



# ACADIA UNIVERSITY

*Located in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Acadia University is recognized as an outstanding academic institution. Founded in 1838, it is one of Canada's oldest and most respected universities and offers a liberal arts education unique among post-secondary institutions. Acadia offers a stimulating, vibrant environment, on and off campus, where dedicated faculty inspire and challenge students to be their best through supportive personalized learning environments, holistic education and nurturing community engagement.*

## **Faculty of Arts Department of Politics Per Course Faculty Teaching Opportunity**

Under the terms of the 16th Collective Agreement, and in accordance with Article 58.10(a)(ii), the University invites applications from all qualified individuals. First consideration will be given to internal candidates as defined in Article 58.11(b)(i) of the Collective Agreement (Internal applicants are all individuals on the Precedence List as defined in Articles 11.12(a), 11.12 (b) and 11.12(m) and all Full-Time Employees.).

### **Competition: # POLS 01-81-24**

**Course Title:** Introduction to Indigenous Politics (POLS 1503 FA01)

**Contract Term:** August 15, 2024 – December 31, 2024

**Course Schedule:** Fall 2024 – Wednesdays 6:30 – 9:30 pm

**Employee Group:** Acadia University Faculty Association

**Course Description:** This interactive course introduces students to Indigenous political perspectives on relationships with the land, nationhood, sovereignty, and legal traditions vis-à-vis Mi'kma'ki, the Canadian state, and the world. Students will learn how Indigenous peoples have been challenging colonialism through struggles for self-determination, recognition, self-government, land claims, and economic self-sufficiency. Identity, power, and the principles of Indigenous Knowledge forms are foundational.

### **Qualifications:**

Successful applicants should demonstrate an understanding of Indigenous legal and knowledge forms in the context of the pluralist legal system that exists in Canada, either through a record of community and professional experience and/or a graduate degree in Politics, Legal Studies, Indigenous Studies, and/or an equivalent area of specialization. **We encourage Indigenous Elders, lawyers, legal advocates and other Indigenous peoples with lived personal/professional/community experience to apply.**

**Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.**

To apply for this opportunity, click on the “Apply Now” button and upload a letter of application, a curriculum vitae, copy of terminal degree/diploma, if applicable, and a 1 - 2 page description of their approach to teaching the course. We welcome the adoption of diverse Indigenous pedagogical approaches. If applicable, applicants are encouraged to provide a brief statement on their lived and/or professional and/or service/volunteer engagement with Indigenous communities. If applicable, applicants are encouraged to provide evidence of teaching effectiveness, which could include course evaluations, or syllabi from previously taught courses, a statement of teaching philosophy, or other relevant materials.

If further information is required, please contact Cathy MacDonald, Provost and Vice-President Academic Office at [cathy.d.macdonald@acadiau.ca](mailto:cathy.d.macdonald@acadiau.ca).

**Competition closes April 17, 2024 (at midnight)**

*The University invites applications from all qualified individuals; however, Canadians and permanent residents shall be given priority. First consideration shall be given to internal candidates as defined in Articles 58.11 (b)(i) of the Collective Agreement. The University encourages applications from Indigenous people; African Canadians; African Nova Scotians; persons with*

*disabilities; visible minorities; women; persons of any minority sexuality, gender identity or gender expression; and all intersections of these identities. Acadia embraces the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion as fundamental in creating an expansive academic environment and champions diverse knowledge systems as pillars of academic excellence.*

***All applicants shall be required to submit an online self-identification form ([Employment Equity Voluntary Self-Identification Form](#)) (Article 3.61(i)).*** *These forms shall be processed by Human Resources. Information provided on these forms shall be held in confidence and may only be used for employment equity purposes as agreed in Article 43.35(b) and 43.35(d)(ii). Self-identification data collected for a given employment competition shall be destroyed after all requirements to preserve documentation for that competition have expired. Only candidates who have submitted a self-identification form can be considered as members of designated groups as described in Article 3.20. The form shall include the option to not self-identify, but candidates must submit the form with their applications.*