

Credit: Ivan Wells Jr.

CERTIFICATE IN ABORIGINAL LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION

Indigenous peoples across Canada are seeking to ensure the survival and rejuvenation of their languages. The Certificate in Aboriginal Language Revitalization (CALR) is intended to provide participants with knowledge and skills that enable them to work in, or with, Indigenous communities.

Participants will learn to analyze the factors that lead to language loss, and to develop practical strategies for language revitalization that are culturally appropriate and responsive to the unique needs of the community.

The CALR program:

- Honours traditional knowledge and practices, and provides opportunities for including Elders, knowledge keepers and local instructors.
- Recognizes and accommodates the realities of diverse communities.
- Offers opportunities for land-based experiential learning.
- Provides a strong foundation for local revitalization initiatives and for further postsecondary study.



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CONTACT US TO APPLY TODAY!

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The CALR program is offered in partnership by the University of Victoria's Department of Linguistics and the Division of Continuing Studies, with the En'owkin Centre.

En'owkin Centre



The En'owkin Centre is co-creator and the original visionary of the CALR program. As an Indigenous cultural, educational, ecological and creative arts organization located on the Penticton Indian Band Reserve, En'owkin offers many programs of study affiliated with accredited postsecondary institutions, including UVic.

The red willow bundle represents the unification of our strength, along with resilience and discipline. The bundle was created for the CALR program by Okanagan/ Syilx artist Barbara Marchand.

CONTINUING STUDIES

Gain new perspectives on the importance of language

Aboriginal Language Revitalization

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

- Accessible to everyone
- Flexible delivery options
- Credits can be used towards a diploma or degree





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Help preserve our languages for future generations

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The energy was so grand and the learning so complete. I think it felt like movement! [...] I truly hope we can move a mountain in the time we have with the CALR program.

- Community partner

What will you learn?

The **Certificate in Aboriginal Language Revitalization** (CALR) program includes a total of nine courses (13.5 units) including six core courses, two electives and a language course. The six core courses provide introductory components to build skills and knowledge in the context of language loss and language revitalization, linguistics, language advocacy, language teaching methods, language policy and planning, language documentation and language instruction.

CORE COURSES

Each course = 1.5 units

- LING 180A: Dynamics of Indigenous Language Shift
- LING 180B: Issues, Principles and Practices in Language Revitalization
- LING 181: Introductory Linguistics for Language Revitalization
- LING 182: Language Learning, Language Revitalization and Social Action
- LING 183A: Field Methods for Language Preservation and Revitalization: Documentation and Recording
- LING 183B: Field Methods for Language Preservation and Revitalization: Project Development

In addition, you will choose two elective courses, plus one Indigenous language course based on your personal interests.

ELECTIVE COURSES

Topics include immersion methods, curriculum materials development, connections to land, and a variety of special topics.

INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE COURSES

Topics include direct instruction, language on the land courses, and mentor-apprentice opportunities.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

No prerequisites. All students are welcome.

What are the program outcomes?

CALR serves Indigenous and other students who have an interest in working with communities in order to preserve Indigenous languages, and to revitalize the use of these languages to strengthen cultural identity. You will:

- Learn foundational knowledge and skills in linguistics that are needed to undertake language preservation and revitalization work.
- Build knowledge and skills in language preservation, revitalization, and cultural resource management principles and practices.



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- Develop your ability to analyze language preservation issues relevant across Indigenous cultures and specific to your own communities.
- Enhance your capacity to develop responsive strategies and programs designed to preserve and revitalize Indigenous languages.
- · Earn a comprehensive and respected certificate.
- Create a foundation for subsequent academic studies in related areas, such as education, cultural resource management and linguistics.