

Biocultural Conservation Seminar

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X7ensq't: “The sky and the land will turn on you,” and its meaning for the future of Indigenous Languages, Knowledges and Lands

DATE & TIME

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

3 - 4 PM ET



Dr. Marianne Ignace

Dr. Marianne Ignace is Distinguished Professor in the departments of Linguistics and Indigenous Studies at Simon Fraser University, and Director of SFU's Indigenous Languages Program and the Indigenous Languages Research Centre. A resident of the Skeetchestn community in the Secwepemc Nation, she teaches and coordinates courses in Indigenous languages in Kamloops, Haida Gwaii, and Yukon, and her work focuses on Indigenous language documentation and revitalization as well as ethnobotany and ethnoecology.

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Seminar:

The seminar focuses on the traditional knowledge that Dr. Ignace and colleagues have learned from Elders. How do people conceptualize laws about human or multispecies conduct on the land? How does it translate into how we look at water, land, and cultural fires? What does the traditional knowledge mean for restoration?

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