

# THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE ACT: INDIGENOUS EDUCATION PROTECTS INDIGENOUS CULTURE



**UNDRIP RECOGNIZES INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' RIGHT TO MAINTAIN AND DEVELOP THEIR UNIQUE CULTURES AND TRADITIONS.**

**INDIGENOUS PEOPLE HAVE THE RIGHT TO ESTABLISH AND CONTROL THEIR OWN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS AND INSTITUTIONS.**

**Indigenous-led education** takes over responsibility for culturally relevant teaching and learning methods and revitalizing Indigenous languages. Indigenous People have a right to be free from forced assimilation or genocide.

Canada's recently passed **UNDRIP** Act requires Canada to take appropriate measures, in collaboration with Indigenous People, to ensure that Indigenous People, particularly children, including those living outside their communities, can access education in their own culture and language, whenever possible.

**Indigenous women have an important role in helping their families and communities revitalize their culture, language, spirituality, and lands.**

**NWAC** is working to ensure Canada helps Indigenous People develop land-based education by providing safe and reliable transportation, secure access to the land, and funding for Indigenous instructors.

**NWAC** also promotes the **UNDRIP right to redress**, which requires Canada to provide recourse for colonial harms through efficient mechanisms, which may include restitution, created in collaboration with Indigenous People.

**The Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC) is a non-profit organization working to help Indigenous Women, Girls, Two-Spirit, Transgender, and Gender-Diverse (WG2STGD) People claim their rights as Indigenous people in their communities and Canadian societies**

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