

Western University
Department of Visual Arts

9521B/9621B Studio Elective

In-between Cultures: Cultural Translation in Contemporary Art

Term: Winter 2021

Time: Thursday 2:30-5:30 pm

Location: Synchronous online

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Course Description

This course investigates the notion of living between cultures brought about by the act of migration and displacement. In multicultural societies such as Canada, many people occupy a liminal space between cultures, which results in the act of cultural translation. This course applies theories of cultural translation to the realm of visual arts practice, with a focus on the Brian Jungen.

Academic Consideration

Support Services

There are various support services around campus and these include, but are not limited to:

1. Student Development Centre -- <http://www.sdc.uwo.ca/>
2. Student Health -- <http://www.shs.uwo.ca/student/studenthealthservices.html>
3. Registrar's Office -- <http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/>
4. Ombuds Office -- <http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/>
5. Mental Health -- https://uwo.ca/health/mental_wellbeing/

Health and Wellness

Western offers a variety of counselling services and several mental health resources for students. If you or a friend are feeling overwhelmed, confused or unsure of your mental health state, please don't ignore it. There are steps you can take to help yourself or help others. Western provides several on-campus health-related services to help engage in healthy living while pursuing your degree. For example, to support physical activity, all students receive membership in Western's Campus Recreation Centre. Further information regarding health and wellness-related services available to students may be found at <http://www.health.uwo.ca/>. If you are in emotional or mental distress should refer to Mental Health Support at Western <http://www.uwo.ca/uwocom/mentalhealth/> for a complete list of options about how to obtain help.