

Hul'q'umi'num' Language Course

WHAT:

Would you like to practice your Hul'q'umi'num' and earn university credit?
Are you curious about how to put together words and sentences in
Hul'q'umi'num'?

This course is for you, whether you are a fluent speaker or just starting out on
your journey of learning Hul'q'umi'num'.

FNLG 200-3

Introduction to Grammar in Hul'q'umi'num'

is being offered through Simon Fraser University.

WHEN:

Classes meet for ten weeks, April 19—June 22, 7 pm – 9 pm Tuesday and
Wednesday evenings.

WHERE: (arrangements to be confirmed)

Ladysmith Secondary School, 710 6 Avenue, Ladysmith, BC

WHO:

Thomas Jones is course coordinator and Mandy Jones will be the on-site host.
Instructors will also include Delores Louie, George Seymour, and various guest
linguists and educators.

The course director is SFU professor Donna Gerds.

All are welcome at the course, even if they don't feel they are ready to take it for
credit, even if they can't make it every time. And since we are going to mix talking
about the language with talking in the language, it is actually a good course for
people who want to learn something about how the language is put together, just
to get a sense of what it is like.

If you want to take the course for SFU credit, then attendance every night is
expected, and there will be homework assignments to complete outside of class
hours.

FAQ:

How much is the course going to cost?

• Tuition is free. Costs are covered by the Hul'q'umi'num' Language and Culture
Collective and SFU First Nations Language Center.

However, any contributions toward funding future courses is greatly appreciated.
So please ask your First Nations for support.

I'm not a university student yet. Can I still take the course?

- If you are an adult you need to be an SFU student to get credit for the course.
- We can help you process your admission to SFU. (There's a \$50 admission fee.) Please bring notes on your educational history to fill out the form on first day of class.

I'm a high school student. Can I take the course?

- You don't need to have finished high school to be admitted to SFU. If you are a grade 11 or grade 12 student you can take the course and earn university credit. It may also be possible to earn high school credit, pending approval of your principal.

What if I'm already a student at another university?

- We'll have to process you through as an SFU student.
- Then we'll work with your university to transfer your credit over to them.

I have never studied Hul'q'umi'num' before. Is this a good course for me?

- This course might be a challenge if you don't already know some Hul'q'umi'num', but we encourage you to come give it a try and see if you like it. Auditors are welcome if you don't want to receive SFU credit and be graded.

I am interested in speaking Hul'q'umi'num' and am not interested in reading and writing it.

- This course might not be for you. Although we try to practice language a lot, learning it by doing it, we also talk a lot about the language in English in this course.
- We will be offering the next immersion style course in August 2016.

Does this course help be get a university degree:

- This is a credit course and can be applied toward an undergraduate degree.
- SFU offers a 9-course Certificate in First Nations Language Proficiency, and this course can be counted toward the certificate.

I already have a Bachelor's degree. Should I take this course for credit?

- We encourage you to take our FNLC courses as they not only help you to become expert in Hul'q'umi'num' but they can help you gain admission to a graduate program focusing on language and/or linguistics.
- Plans are underway to start an SFU cohort Graduate Certificate program in Hul'q'umi'num' starting in January 2017.

TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION:

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