

Experiential Course in FNST:

First Nations Cultural Heritage through Moose-Hide Tanning

— **FNST 444-3** —

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This intensive hands-on experiential-learning course will introduce students to concepts, case studies and perspectives on issues relating to Indigenous cultural heritage through the process of tanning a moose-hide. Co-facilitated with two Na-k'azdli Dakelh knowledge-holders, Yvonne Pierrero and Mildred Martin, this course will engage students in the process of preparing hides while simultaneously exploring Indigenous voices and diverse themes in cultural heritage, including recovery, protection and revitalization. This class will include travel to UNBC as well as to the home of the knowledge-holders, in Prince George. **This seminar-based class is founded on discussions of the readings, lectures and participation in the moose-hide tanning, thus attendance and active engagement of students in the class is highly expected.** Through the tanning process, students will have hands-on experience while developing an understanding of Indigenous history and cultural heritage as well as appreciation for Dakelh traditions and skills in their traditional and contemporary contexts.