

GOOD FUTURES

CHARACTER ACROSS GENERATIONS



A GOOD FUTURES SPEAKER SERIES

Join us for a three-part speaker series featuring internationally recognized Indigenous scholars who will share perspectives on character, wellness, education, and flourishing.

All sessions are free and open to the public. Attend in person or via Zoom.



Michael Doxater

Tekanawite asks Tadodarho in the Great Law “Who are you? What do you do? Why do you do that?”

Michael Doxater's national profile includes work in public and private industry. A leading senior organizational and cultural specialist in Canada and the USA his assignments include: Chair, Indigenous Institutes Quality Assessment Board (IIQAB) and member of the Indigenous Advanced Education and Skills Council (IAESC) (Toronto, Ontario); Head, Studio One of the National Film Board of Canada (NFB); Head, Office of First Nations and Inuit Education (OFNIE) McGill University (Montreal, Quebec); Queens National Scholar, Queens University (Kingston Ontario); Head, Saagajiwe Indigenous Studios, The Creative School, Toronto Metropolitan University (www.torontomu.ca/Saagajiwe); Chair, Chiefswood Museum (Six Nations Indian Reserve #40); Specialist, Indian Residential Schools, Gemini Award winning film “Where the Spirit Lives” (CBC Toronto, Ontario); Professor Emeritus, The Creative School, Toronto, Canada. He is Mohawk Turtle Clan from Six Nations Territory.



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Thursday
October 8, 2026



12:00-1:00pm (MT)



SUB room 321



Dr. Gregory Cajete

Spirit of the Game: Indigenous Games for Life

Dr. Gregory Cajete, PhD discusses his role in pioneering the reconciliation of Indigenous perspectives in science with a western academic setting. Dr. Cajete is a Professor Emeritus and former Director of the Native American Studies program at the University of New Mexico. He is a renowned author and artist from Santa Clara Pueblo, New Mexico. His focus is on teaching culturally based science, with its emphasis on health and wellness.



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Monday
October 12, 2026



1:30-2:00PM (MT)



SUB room 321



Dr. Janae Nelson

Intergenerational Hope as a Pathway to Flourishing: The Seven Generations Principle and Anishinaabe Well-Being

Drawing from her scholarship on Mino-Bimaadiziwin, Dr. Nelson explores hope as more than an individual psychological resource. From an Anishinaabe perspective, hope can be understood as a relational orientation grounded in responsibility, reciprocity, connection to community and creation, and care for those who came before us and those who will come after us. She discusses the Seven Generations principle that offers a framework for understanding character, spiritual development, and flourishing across generations.



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Wednesday
October 14, 2026



11:00am-12:00pm
(MT)



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