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Indigenous Law and Legal Education: The Development and Implementation of the Indigenous Law Degree at the University of Victoria

Professor Val Napoleon and Professor Jeremy Webber

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Former Deans of the Faculty of Law at the University of Victoria (British Columbia), Professors Val Napoleon and Jeremy Webber have both been closely involved with the establishment of a joint JD and Indigenous law degree programme. The University of Victoria is a recognised leader in Indigenous legal research and education and will soon be home to a new National Centre for Indigenous Laws.



Professor Val Napoleon

Val Napoleon is Law Foundation Chair of Indigenous Justice and Governance. She is from northeast British Columbia (Treaty 8) and a member of Saulteau First Nation. She is also an adopted member of the Gitanyow (Gitksan) House of Luuxhon, Ganada (Frog) Clan. Some of her major initiatives include the [JD/JID \(joint JD and Indigenous law degree\) program](#), establishing the [Indigenous Law Research Unit](#) with a number of research partnerships with Indigenous communities and groups in BC, across Canada, and with international connections

Professor Jeremy Webber

Jeremy Webber is Professor of Law at the University of Victoria. He has written widely in legal theory, constitutional theory, Indigenous rights, federalism, cultural diversity, and constitutional law in Canada and in relation to other countries (especially Australia). Professor Webber was UVic's Dean of Law from 2013 to 2018. Prior to becoming Dean, Professor Webber held the Canada Research Chair in Law and Society at UVic from 2002 to 2014.

