



Instructors & Staff 2025-2026



Dr. Lori Chambers, Chair, Professor



Dr. Jen Chisholm, Grad Coordinator,
Associate Professor



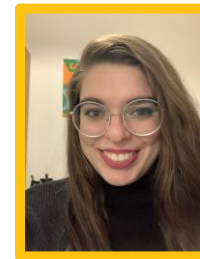
Mohit Dudeja, Contract Lecturer



Dr. Rosemary Kimani-Dupuis,
Assistant Professor



Dr. Holly Morgan, Contract Lecturer



Victoria Cosby, Contract Lecturer



Éleine Doiron, Administrative Assistant

A Word from our Alums

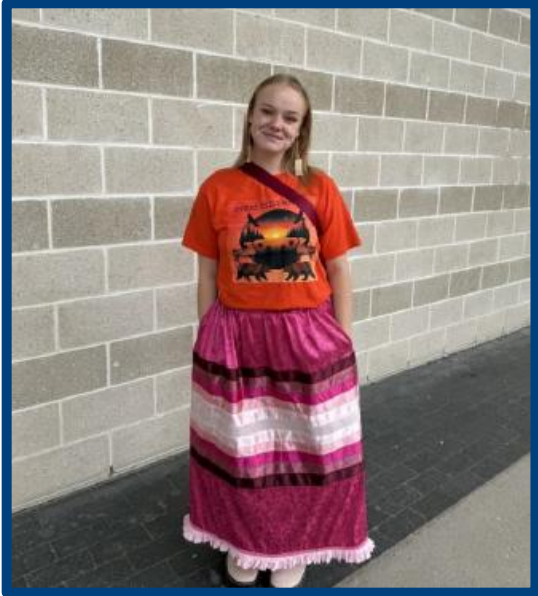


Image: Chelsea (above)

Chelsea is an Indigenous Advocate with roots from the Six Nations of the Grand River Reserve. Currently her advocacy work is centered around menstrual and mental health and is based in Winnipeg, Manitoba. She brings lived experience of mental health, homelessness, and poverty to her leadership, a person-centered approach, and a deep passion for change to everything she does, guided by the Seven Sacred teachings. She graduated with her BA in Gender and Women Studies (GWS) in 2024.

While attending Lakehead University, she was awarded 2 Lakehead Leader awards in Community Engagement: The Lakehead Leader award for Diversity Equity and Inclusion, and a Lakehead Luminary Award. Upon her graduation, she was awarded the President's Award by the Department of Gender and Women's Studies

(GWS) for work addressing period poverty through Flowing for Change! After entering the workforce after graduation, she had returned to continue her education journey. She will soon finish her Honours Degree in GWS before heading into her Masters of Social Work!

During her time off, she worked as the Gender Based Violence Coordinator at Ka Ni Kanichichk and as the Person-Centered Support Coordinator at End Homelessness Winnipeg. In this role she was a co researcher and primary author on the "Pathways to Improvement; An Analysis of Street Outreach Services in Winnipeg" funded by Reaching Home. She has also transformed her period poverty campaigns into a grassroots menstrual health organization, Flowing for Change (FFC). FFC's mission includes breaking down the stigma surrounding periods, exploring the realities of period poverty, and starting conversations about periods. They focus on cultural revitalization of Indigenous teaching and analyze social interactions related to menstruation. Through campaigns, research initiatives, and community collaborations, Flowing for Change seeks to dismantle stigma, empower individuals, and support systemic change. Our vision is to cultivate a society where menstrual health is respected, supported, and integrated into broader conversations about health equity, cultural identity, and social justice.

And last but certainly not least, Chelsea is heavily involved with Jack.org, an organization dedicated to addressing youth mental health across Canada. She is a trained Jack Talks Speaker, a Jack.org Ambassador and a member of the Youth Voice Council!

Website: Flowing for Change ([Flowingforchange.ca](https://flowingforchange.ca))

Publication on Homelessness:

"Pathways to Improvement; An Analysis of Street Outreach Services in Winnipeg"

Department news: Rosemary Kimani-Dupuis Successfully Defends her PhD Research!

Article from the [Balsillie School of International Affairs](#) on August 22, 2025:

“The Balsillie School community extends warm congratulations to Rosemary Kimani-Dupuis, who successfully defended her dissertation, “Geographies of Trauma and Healing: Resistance, Resilience, ‘Ustawi wa’, and the Lived Experiences of African Women Refugees from the EHAGL Region in Canada,” on August 22 2025.

We extend thanks to Rosemary’s supervisor, Dr. Jenna Hennebry, committee members Dr. Bree Akesson and Dr. Stacey Wilson-Forsberg, internal/external examiner Dr. Andrea Brown, external examiner Dr. Bukola Oladunni Salami, University of Alberta, and chairperson Dr. Lisa Kuron.”

Congratulations to Dr. Rosemary Kimani-Dupuis!



*Image (above):
Dr. Kimani-Dupuis.
Picture from the [Balsillie
School of International
Affairs](#)*

Upcoming 2026 Winter Courses!

Course	Title	Instructor	Delivery	Time
WOME-2119	Indigenous Feminisms	Victoria Cosby	Zoom	M 7pm-10pm
WOME-3111	Sexual Activism & Politics	Mohit Dudeja	In-Person (Video Conference)	F 8:30am-11:30am
WOME-3132	Foundations of Feminist Research	Dr. Jen Chisholm	In-person	T & Th 10am-11:30am
WOME-4355	Mother Culture	Dr. Jen Chisholm	In-Person (Video Conference)	M 11:30am-2:30pm

Award recipient of the Helen Smith Award: Crowley Reslinski



Image above: Crowley Reslinski
(Helen Smith Award recipient)

"I took WOME 1100 with Dr. Rosemary Kimani-Dupuis, and I had an incredible experience. The professor was very passionate about what she taught, which made the class incredibly engaging every single lecture. The course was very eye-opening and it evoked a lot of passion in me. It was a perfect introduction to what the rest of my university experience would be like as someone pursuing a double major in Gender and Women's Studies and Indigenous Learning. I'd like to thank Dr. Rosemary Kimani-Dupuis, the teacher's assistants, my classmates, and the faculty and staff of the Department of Gender and Women's Studies."
-Crowley Reslinski (they/them)

List of Scholarships and Awards Available

Helen Smith memorial Award (min. \$500)

Gender and Women's Studies Major with the highest mark in 1100 the previous year.

Millie Barrett Memorial Award (\$550)

Undergraduate pursuing studies in the political, historical or social-cultural disciplines.

Peggy Tripp Memorial Women's Studies Student Award (\$500)

Upper-year student with exemplary community involvement in areas of women's issues, social justice and/or environmental issues.

Himmelman Family Bursary (\$200)

Major in Gender and Women's Studies or taking or have taken Gender and Women's Studies courses,
on the basis of financial need.

Women's Studies Bursary (\$100)

Gender and Women's Studies student on the basis of financial need and a minimum 'B' standing.

This list can be found on our [GWS Scholarships and Awards webpage](#).

Pride Central and Gender Equity Centre

Parvinder (they/she)

PRIDE & GENDER EQUITY CENTRE COORDINATOR

Lakehead University Student Union

pride@lusu.ca



ECHOES

Calls for submission Deadline extended to December 25th, 2025

WHAT IS ECHOES?

A semesterly newspaper by LUSU's Pride and Gender Equity Centre. Published with the goal to promote the voices, art and talents of the queer students, staff and alumni at Lakehead University while connecting them to the community.

WHAT CAN YOU SUBMIT?

- Art
- Articles
- Advertisements
- Comics
- Event
- Missed Connections
- Opinion Pieces
- Poetry
- Puzzles

WHO CAN SUBMIT?

- Students
- Staff
- Alumni
- LUSU Clubs
- LUSU Centres
- Faculty
- Community Members
- Businesses

~~DEADLINE: 25TH NOVEMBER 2025~~

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FOR QUESTIONS AND MORE INFORMATION:

EMAIL - PRIDE@LUSU.CA / GEC@LUSU.CA OR VISIT US AT UC 0019

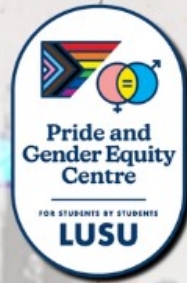




@ THE GENDER EQUITY CENTRE, SC0020

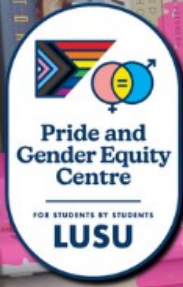
11 am - 1pm
every Tuesday

CRAFTY ACTIVISM
WITH
ARUSA BINTE
AHSUN



NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
SUPPLIES WILL BE PROVIDED

QUEER ARCHIVES

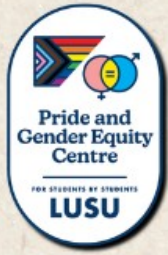


EVERY THURSDAY
@GENDER EQUITY CENTRE, (SC0020)
11 AM - 12:30 PM
WITH JACOB WOOD



LET'S TALK AND WALK THROUGH THE ARCHIVES!





📍 GENDER EQUITY CENTRE, SC 0020

TRANS PEER SUPPORT

EVERY FRIDAY, 11AM - 1PM

BY LILY



A SPACE TO CONNECT WITH TRANS, NON-BINARY AND GENDER NONCONFIRMING PEERS.

Women's and Gender Studies Student Association

The purpose of our club is to provide and promote a safe and welcoming space for the students majoring, minoring and otherwise interested in the gender and Women's Studies program. We seek to build bridges between the undergraduate and graduate program, as well as with professors. We are an inclusive, inviting, intersectional group, and all students are welcome to the WGSSA, regardless of their race, gender, sex, class, sexual orientation, religion, etc.

Email: wgssa.lusu@lakeheadu.ca

Did you know that Lakehead University offers over \$11 million annually to its students?

One way to gain access to some of these funds is through the myAwards portal*. The myAwards portal is open annually for applications from August 15 to October 15. All students are encouraged to complete the general application and the financial need application to be considered for many of the awards offered by Lakehead University. Explore this opportunity to help find some additional funds. Visit lakeheadu.academicworks.ca and use your Lakehead University username and password to login. If you have any questions about the myAwards portal, please contact Student Central at studentcentral@lakeheadu.ca.

*Students do not have to apply for the Helen Smith memorial Award through myAwards portal, they are all automatically assessed at the end of the year. To find out more about this and other awards, please visit the [Scholarships and Awards webpage](#) on our department website.

Save the Date: Feminisms at the Lakehead 2026!

Date: April 8th, 2026 (Wednesday)
Updates to come



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Office hours: Monday –Friday, 8:30am- 4:30pm

Office: Remote starting December 1st, 2025 (Please note that Éleine, GWS Administrative Assistant, will be on leave starting January 17th, 2026.