

## Gladue Writer Training Frequently Asked Questions



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### **Are there any prerequisites to take the course?**

No prerequisites are required to take the course.

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### **Can the course be done from anywhere or is it in person?**

The Gladue Writer Training is 100% online with bi-weekly virtual classroom sessions via Zoom. You will be required to video conference into the virtual classroom sessions.

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### **How many Virtual Classroom Sessions are there and how long are they?**

There are five two-week long modules in total, with two options per module for the virtual classroom sessions. Each classroom session is approximately 1.5 hours long.

Attendance in at least one per module is mandatory. All classroom times are in Pacific Standard Time (BC).

- Option 1 – Week 1 Thursday, 9:30AM
- Option 2 – Week 2 Tuesday, 12:00PM

All module virtual session dates can be found in the online course materials.

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### **How is the course structured?**

The course is 10 weeks long. It is comprised of:

- Recorded lectures
- Curriculum books
- Mandatory and voluntary readings
- Videos
- Bi-weekly graded assignments, 5 in total
- Bi-weekly 1.5 hours of virtual classroom sessions

The course is structured into 5 modules that are two weeks long, and within those two weeks you can navigate the curriculum at your own pace with the assignment due on the final day.

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### **Does Indigenous Perspectives Sponsor Participants?**

Indigenous Perspectives Society offers a partial bursary for prospective students who would not otherwise have the financial means to take the course. Information on that can be found on our [website](#).

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Other areas that you may look for sponsorship are:

- Your local Band if you are Indigenous, Métis or Inuit
- Local Employment offices
- Local Legal Aid Services

You can also research in your area or online for education bursaries and grants.

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### **Do you accept scheduled payments or payment plans for the course?**

Yes, we accept scheduled payments. Payment must be received by IPS in full by 3 business days prior to the course start date.

We do not accept payment plans.

If payment is not received by the due date as noted in our [Gladue Registration Policy](#) on our website, you will be guided to register for the next cohort.

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### **Can I be permitted into the course if payment is in the mail or I'm waiting for my employer to approve payment?**

No. Payment must be received prior to access to the course. If payment is not received by the payment due date, the student will be withdrawn from the course. If payment arrives in the mail after the individual has been withdrawn, payment will be returned to the paying organization and the student will need to register for the next cohort.

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### **Does Indigenous Perspectives Society offer refunds?**

Participants may be provided a full refund for requests made up to 3 business days prior to the commencement of the training.

See the [Gladue Registration Policy](#) to learn about refunds.

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### **Does Indigenous Perspectives Society keep a list of Gladue Writers?**

Yes, Indigenous Perspectives Society keeps a roster of graduate Gladue Writers on the occasion we are directly approached. However, it is each graduate's responsibility to pursue writing contracts through connecting with the BC First Nations Justice Council, Legal Aid, related non-profits, law firms among others.