

Dr. Niigaanwewidam Sinclair (member)



Dr. Niigaanwewidam Sinclair- Acting Department Head - July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2017. Ph.D. University of British Columbia 2013. Dr. Sinclair has been with the department since 2012, researching a variety of topics including Indigenous literature, graphic novels, and masculinities. He is a regular commentator on CBC, CTV, and APTN regarding current Indigenous issues and recently, testified at the Clean Environment Commission of Manitoba hearings on the Keeyask Generating Station and Bipole III transmission line. An activist as well as a writer, he has helped organize Idle No More Winnipeg events and has co-edited three award-winning collections: *Centering Anishinaabeg Studies: Understanding the World Through Stories*, *Manitowapow: Aboriginal Writings from the Land of Water*, and *The Winter We Danced: Voices of the Past, the Future, and the Idle No More Movement*. Niigaan has been a mentor and volunteer faculty member of the Canadian Muslim Leadership Institute since its founding in 2010. His experience and expertise adds fresh perspective to ISSA's vision.