You are invited to participate in a public colloquium:

INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE POLICY IMPLICATIONS OF THE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION OF CANADA AND THE RELATED RESPONSIBILITIES OF POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

Glendon Hall, Glendon College, York University 2275 Bayview Avenue (at Lawrence). February 9, 2016 from 10:00 am to 5:30 pm

All welcome. Free event.

Space is limited, so please **RSVP**:
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The Organizing Committee: Maya Chacaby, Amos Key, Jr., Ian Martin and Jean Michel Montsion (who teach or have taught the following topics at Glendon: Anishinaabemowin, Cayuga, comparative indigenous language policy in the Americas, and Canadian and comparative language policy), and our two principal Glendon sponsoring organizations, the Master's Program in Public and International Affairs (MPIA) and the Centre for Research on Language and Culture Contact (CRLCC) invite you to participate in this Colloquium.

The TRC report provides an historic policy window in which those concerned with indigenous policy and language policy have a chance to have their thoughts considered by decision-makers, both indigenous and non-indigenous. More specifically, the TRC report calls to action on Aboriginal rights and Aboriginal language rights, Aboriginal Languages Act, the appointment of an Aboriginal Languages Commissioner, and the role of post-secondary institutions in creating degree and diploma programs in Aboriginal languages.

This event will include participants from Western Canada, Ontario, Québec, Atlantic Canada, and the North to discuss the TRC recommendations as they pertain to language policy and the role of post-secondary education institutions. It will involve a welcoming event, a plenary panel discussion, some break out discussions, and a plenary workshop on next steps and commitments.

It will serve as a catalyst to (1) disseminate the TRC recommendations and language policy implications to the Glendon and York communities, to (2) mobilize support within the Toronto region, to (3) create collaborations with partners from across Canada, and to (4) shape a path forward through the formulation of a Declaration.



The Canadian Language Museum's exhibit 'Speaking the Inuit Way' will be on display during the colloquium.