Course Description
Indigenomics examines the historical and current Canadian context of Indigenous relations in regards to economic thought and highlights the shifting influence and position of First Nations people in the emerging new economy. While provoking insight into possibility of the Indigenous relationship both in Canada and beyond, the course explores the pathway to the threshold of the Indigenous relationship and modern economic development. It calls on the commonality of the emerging new economy and the role of the change agent. It examines place-based values and honors the powerful thinking of Indigenous wisdom of local economy and relationship and human values in the modern context.

Indigenomics questions the reality of current thinking and the thought processes that has got us to the crisis of the need for a new economy. Indigenomics parallels the characteristics of ‘gold rush’ thinking with the modern economy. It examines how to build the characteristics of accountability and reciprocity.

The opportunity is here to influence reality of the new economy. Indigenomics asks ‘What values will take us there? What can be learned along the way through seeking wisdom in new business models in local economic development and business relationship networks?’

Course Objectives
• What is Indigenomics- world view and business models
• Relevance to local economic development- understanding Federal, Provincial, municipal and corporate context
• Context- Statehood, governance and indigenous economics
• Understanding the current socio-economic state of First Nations
• Highlighting key components of economic rationale for implementing Aboriginal rights and title
• Highlight market failures and successes within First Nations.
• Building the local relationship with First Nations to support Indigenous Economies
• Key components of a First Nation economy
• Complexity of Aboriginal economic development decision- making
• The Indigenomics toolbox for change agents
About the Instructor

Carol Anne Hilton, MBA and CEO of Transformation - is a recognized leading First Nation’s business entrepreneur with a Masters Degree in Business Management from the University of Hertfordshire, England. Carol Anne is from the Nuu chah nulth Nation. Carol Anne has a solid understanding and application of First Nation’s economic development best practices and brings extensive knowledge and experience in community development, business management, corporate relations, engagement strategies and project management. Carol Anne works to incorporate an Aboriginal worldview while bringing First Nations, industry and government together to design new approaches for sustainable, inclusive development. Carol Anne brings project management experience across industries in resource management, governance, and regional development. Carol Anne was a founding Director of the BC First Nations Health Society/ Interim BC First Nations Health Authority (link http://www.fnha.ca)

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