

Critical Conversations: Water and Borders -- A Roundtable



A sixties scoop survivor, **Dr. Cary Miller** is Anishinaabe and descends from St. Croix and Leech Lake communities in Wisconsin and Minnesota. In 2017 she made the move to Winnipeg as the Head of Indigenous Studies and now serves as the Associate Vice President Indigenous – Scholarship, Research, and Curriculum at that institution. Her book *Ogimag: Anishinaabeg leadership 1760-1845* was published with the University of Nebraska Press in 2010 and she is one of the editors of the most recent edition of *Indigenous Peoples within Canada* textbook from Oxford Press (2023). Her research is in Anishinaabe leadership in the early 19th century, Anishinaabe women's history, Treaties and sovereignty, Wisconsin Indian History, and Cultures of the Great Lakes Region. She is particularly interested in 18th and 19th century transborder North American Indigenous histories that centre narratives of sovereign Indigenous land use, kinship and diplomacy.



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Shared Waters (with Alice Cohen and Karen Bakker), and *Negotiating Water Governance: Why the Politics of Scale Matter* (with Christina Cook and Alice Cohen).



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