



SHO THAN K'E HO CHI DOK ONLINE COURSE - OUTLINE

Water Creates - The Land Teaches - We Listen

Course Contacts

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A. Course Summary

Grounded in the principles of the **Land and Peoples Relationship Model (LPRM)**, Elder Copper Joe Jack guides participants through a 10-week program focused on respectful, caring, and collaborative sustainability solutions. Participants meet **weekly** for two hours via Zoom.

Participants explore:

- Teachings of the Land and Peoples Relationship Model
- Approaches to collaborative planning, governance, stewardship, and relational climate leadership
- Ways to apply the model in personal, community, academic, and professional contexts

Participants who meet completion requirements receive:

- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Invitation to apply** for the optional Summer 2027 land camp in Yukon Territory

Virtual Session Details

- **Thursdays**, first session February 4, 2027
- **5:00–7:00 pm Yukon Time**
- *Note: Yukon does not observe daylight savings time. DST begins March 14, 2027—participants outside Yukon should adjust accordingly.*

Zoom Link:

Will be shared privately with participants prior to Session 1

Password: shared via email



Course Completion Requirements

To honour the principles of **Respect, Care, Share** and deepen learning, participants commit to:

1. Preparation

- Review all pre-session materials
- Complete the previous session's project workbook section
- Arrive ready to participate and engage

2. Attendance & Communication

- Notify the Program Manager of any absence (foreseen or unforeseen)
- Watch session recordings if a live session is missed

3. Final Course Workbook

Due: April 30, 2027

Participants use the workbook to reflect consistently on the content reviewed and discussed in sessions, and are expected to submit it at the end of the course to receive a certificate of completion.



Learning Objectives

By the end of the program, participants will have:

- A deeper understanding of the **Land and Peoples Relationship Model**, its teachings, and its applications
- Practical understanding of how to apply LPRM principles within their own work, studies, or community engagement
- A relational grounding in shared decision-making and collaborative governance
- Insight into how the LPRM connects to broader local, national and international contexts
- Preparedness for further land-based learning opportunities or other engagement opportunities connected to the model

B. Detailed Course Description

The **Land and Peoples Relationship Model (LPRM)**, envisioned in 2018 after years of work by Elder Copper Joe Jack, integrates Traditional Knowledge and Western science without merging or assimilating them. This spiritual and relational model emphasizes balance, reciprocal stewardship, and collaborative paths toward sustainability.

This course gives participants:

- Direct teachings and guidance from Elder Copper Jack
- Access to land-based teaching videos, slides, readings, and supplemental materials
- Opportunities for deeper engagement with additional one-on-one mentorship with Elder Copper Jack
- A supportive, interactive learning space guided by respect, care, and shared responsibility

The program is designed for a smaller cohort to ensure participants can meaningfully absorb, apply, and honour the teachings.



Learning Environment

Each session typically includes:

- Opening cultural grounding or teaching
- Short “core learning” presentation
- Group discussion, circle-based reflection, or applied activity

The course follows the guiding laws of **Respect, Care, Share**, fostering a safe, welcoming, and interactive space grounded in relational accountability.

Participation & Discussion Guidelines (“Rules of Engagement”)

Participants are expected to:

- Show respect to one another and to the Land
 - Speak from feeling as well as thought (“I feel...” rather than “I think...”)
 - Listen to understand, with heart and mind
 - Clarify what they say and what they hear
 - Practice patience and generosity
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Code of Conduct

Participants must review and adhere to the **Land and Peoples Relationship Model Code of Conduct** (shared during registration).



C. Class Schedule

UNIT 1: Foundations of the Land and Peoples Relationship Model

Session 1 — Feb. 4

Topic: Opening Circle & Housekeeping

Session 2 — Feb. 11

Topic: Land as Relationship & the Land and Peoples Relationship Model

UNIT 2: Deepening Understanding - Inner Workings of the Land and Peoples Relationship Model

Session 3 — Feb. 18

Topic: Case Studies Review & Discussion (Engaging with Indigenous Traditional Knowledge)

Session 4 — Feb. 25

Topic: Simulated LPR Model Round-Table - Collaborative Governance & Shared Decision-Making

UNIT 3: Teachings from, Relationships with, & Stewardship for No Voice

Session 5 — Mar. 4

Topic: Water as Relative — Indigenous Water Laws

Session 6 — Mar. 11

Topic: Biodiversity & Land Stewardship

UNIT 4: Relational Climate Leadership & Collaborative Decision-Making

Session 7 — Mar. 18

Topic: Indigenous Impacts, Responses & Relational Climate Leadership

Session 8 — Mar. 25

Topic: Collaborative Planning Requirements

UNIT 5: Accountability, Relationships & Closing



Session 9 — Apr. 1

Topic: Critical Elements Template

Session 10 — Apr. 8

Topic: Deep Respect, Sustaining Relationships, Sharing Circle & Closing

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