



CCPA Ambassador Program

Jamie Warren, M.Ed., RP, CCC

A little word about me and what I do:

I am a Mushkegowuk Cree and member of Moose Cree First Nation. I hold a Masters of Education in Counselling Psychology from Western University and a B.A. (Honours) in Psychology from Laurentian University. I hold the designations of Canadian Certified Counsellor (CCC) with the Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association and Registered Psychotherapist (RP) with the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario.



I currently work in post-secondary education, providing counselling and support to Indigenous and non-Indigenous students. I like to think of my counselling approach as “the best of both worlds,” integrating both traditional and clinical approaches in my work with students while promoting a sense of community. It is a privilege and honour to walk alongside my students as they work towards crossing the podium to receive their diploma.

I have also had the privilege of serving as a guest lecturer, speaker, and facilitator at a number of Ontario universities and professional events, focusing on traditional approaches to counselling, self-care and wellness for counsellors, Indigenous child and social welfare, the impact of colonization, and the need for intergenerational healing amongst communities.

What does CCPA mean to me?

The work that we do as counsellors and psychotherapists can at times be isolating and overwhelming, especially for Indigenous practitioners and non-Indigenous practitioners who work with Indigenous communities. I truly believe in the healing power of community. CCPA has connected me to a large and growing network of counsellors and psychotherapists to build friendships, share ideas and resources, and rely on for support. CCPA is part of my community and I am a part of theirs, to which I am truly grateful for.

My previous involvement with CCPA:

- CCPA Student Representative for Western University (2012-2013)
- Member of the Indigenous Circle Chapter (2012-Present)
- Member-at-Large, Indigenous Circle Chapter Executive Committee (2015-2016)
- Ontario Representative for the CCPA “Leaders of Tomorrow Forum” (2015)
- Co-Writer for the CCPA Issues in Counselling Paper “Call to Action: Urgent Need for Improved Indigenous Mental Health Services in Canada” (2015-2016)
- Recipient of the CCPA Conference Travel Grant (2016)
- President, Indigenous Circle Chapter (2016-2017)
- Member of Post-Secondary Counsellors Chapter (2016-Present)