

Dr. Ashley Sisco, PhD  
Assistant Professor

“If research hasn’t changed you as a person, then you haven’t done it right” (Wilson, 2008, p. 135)

Dr. Sisco brings 20 years of experience as a researcher, academic, and professional consultant working with and for Indigenous communities and organizations across Canada and in Australia as a settler (non-Indigenous person) in allyship to support them in achieving their goals. As the Owner & CEO of Sisco & Associates Consulting Services (SISCO: [siscoconsulting.ca](http://siscoconsulting.ca))—a majority Indigenous operated professional research and management firm—she leads a team that provides research, evaluation, planning, facilitation, and training services to Indigenous communities, organizations, and partners (including post-secondary institutions and all levels of government) in Canada and Australia.

Dr. Sisco is also an Assistant Professor for Huron College’s Management and Organizational Studies, as well as Western University’s Faculty of Education, and School of Indigenous Studies. She is a passionate Instructor who is committed to lifelong learning and fostering safe spaces for transformative, student-led learning to occur. She draws on her experience as a business owner, consultant, and researcher in the classroom, and encourages learners to share their stories and lived experiences as well to critically engage with course content.

Prior to establishing SISCO in 2010, and then incorporating in 2014, Dr. Sisco worked as a Strategic Advisor on Indigenous programming for Thames Valley District School Board (2012-2013), an Associate and Consultant with the Indigenous Consulting firm NVision Insight Group (2012-2017), and a Research Associate with the Conference Board of Canada (2006-2010).

Dr. Sisco completed her Postdoctoral Fellowship and PhD in Education with Western University and the University of Wollongong, respectively. She has an MA in Canadian Studies (Indigenous Studies and Northern Stream) with Carleton University, and an Honours BA in Anthropology from Western University.

Courses Taught at Huron College:

- Indigenous Entrepreneurship (MOS 2298B)

Courses Taught at Western University

- Doing Research (In a Good Way) (INDIGSTU 3142F)
- Developing, Implementing and Evaluating Education Programs (GRADEDUC 9453L-001)
- Indigeneity and Decolonizing Research (EDUC 9204L)
- Reading Research: Critical Approaches for Educators (EDUC 9451B)
- Research in Intercultural Contexts (EDUC 5473S)