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University of Lethbridge highlights for the week of January 6 to 12, 2020

The University of Lethbridge has several events lined up this week that may be of interest to your readers, viewers and listeners. Members of the media who are interested in covering these events are encouraged to contact the individual event organizer directly.

Take Two Speaker Series — Seeking Justice, Understanding the Law Thursday, Jan. 9, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., C610 University Hall

Drs. Caroline Hodes, a professor in the Department of Women & Gender Studies, and Kelly Williams-Whitt, associate dean with the Dhillon School of Business (Calgary campus), will explore the origins and evolution of Canada's justice system, the role of government and the potential for change in the future. Hodes will talk about her idea that the law is not about justice by emphasizing the need for a discussion about truth before reconciliation. Williams-Whitt will discuss her observations about the failure of the legal system to provide justice to marginalized communities.

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Free film screening — nîpawistamâsowin (We Will Stand Up) Thursday, Jan. 9, 6 to 9 p.m., SA8002, Science Commons

In August of 2019, a young Cree man named Colten Boushie died from a gunshot to the back of his head after entering Gerald Stanley's rural property with his friends. The jury's subsequent acquittal of Stanley captured international attention, raising questions about racism embedded within Canada's legal system and propelling Colten's family to national and international stages in their pursuit of justice. The film is offered in partnership with the likaisskini Gathering Place, the U of L Library, the Indigenous Governance & Business Management program in the Dhillon School of Business and cohost, the National Film Board of Canada.

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