

Dr. Dawn Sutherland

Dawn received a B.Sc. (Hons) in Biology from Queen's University, a M.Sc. in Zoology from University of Manitoba, and a Ph.D. in Education from the University of Nottingham, UK. She began working at the University of Manitoba in 1987 and for 11 years worked in the Access Programs in Extended Education. In 1998, she became the Director of Continuing Education at the Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources and then, in 1999, moved to the University of Winnipeg Faculty of Education where she remained until 2019. Dr. Sutherland returned to the University of Manitoba in the Faculty of Education in 2019 as a Professor, Department Head and Graduate Chair in Curriculum, Teaching and Learning. She is an active participant in university governance through her involvement in SCCC and SCUR.

While at the University of Winnipeg, Dr. Sutherland was a Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Science Education (2006-2011) which was renewed in 2011 as the Canada Research Chair in Science Education in Cultural Contexts (2011-2016). Her research explores the relationship between culture and science education in Indigenous and inner-city communities. As an adjunct, she has supervised graduate students at the University of Manitoba and McGill, co-administered the University of Manitoba CRYSTAL grant and completed 3-year terms as an adjudicator for the SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships-Doctoral Program and the Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships. More recently, Dr. Sutherland teaches undergraduate and graduate courses and advises graduate students in the Faculty of Education at the University of Manitoba. She is often called upon to be an external PhD examiner in Canada and internationally.

