Resources for Local Land Acknowledgments

Land acknowledgments recognize the traditional indigenous inhabitants of the land where we live and work. The links below provide various resources to support the creation of land acknowledgments in educational and ecclesial settings in North America and beyond. Many frame the land acknowledgment as the beginning, rather than the extent of a commitment to recognizing indigenous rights and perspectives and highlight the importance of collaboration and consultation with local indigenous communities. This list is a work in progress and we welcome additions from CTSA members.

United States

- U.S. Department of Arts and Culture: Honor Native Land: A Guide and Call to Acknowledgment. See also: Land Acknowledgment FAQ.
- Native Land Digital: Enter your address or view relevant territories by clicking a location. Once you click, a number of links will appear with different nation names. By clicking on those links, you will be taken to a page specifically about that nation, language, or treaty, where you can view some sources, give feedback, and learn a little more. See also Native Land’s Land Acknowledgment resource page. Also available: Native Land smartphone apps and a Teachers’ Guide for using Native Land in the classroom.
- Association for the Study of Higher Education Land Acknowledgment Working Group: Resources and Recommendations for Creating Land Acknowledgments
- World Directory of Minorities and Indigenous Peoples
- LandMark Global Platform of Indigenous and Community Lands
- Marquette University: Guide to Catholic Records about Native Americans in the United States
- The U.S. Catholic Indigenous Boarding School Accountability and Healing Project
- Catholic Truth and Healing: Catholic-Operated Native Boarding Schools in the United States, pre-1978

Canada

- Native Land Digital: Enter your address or view relevant territories by clicking a location. Once you click, a number of links will appear with different nation names. By clicking on those links, you will be taken to a page specifically about that nation, language, or treaty, where you can view some sources, give feedback, and learn a little more. See also Native Land’s Land Acknowledgment resource page. Also available: Native Land smartphone apps.
- Whose Land identifies Indigenous Nations, territories, and Indigenous communities across Canada. See also their educational resources and land acknowledgment page.
- Canadian Association of University Teachers: Guide to Acknowledging First Peoples & Traditional Territory
- Further context on territorial acknowledgments: “Beyond territorial acknowledgments”
- Laurier Students’ Public Interest Research Group: Know the Land Territories Campaign
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Worldwide

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