The “Roots and Relations” (R&R) will sacredly hold and protect traditional knowledge, respect and assert sovereignty, provide a nurturing space for Indigenous voices, and celebrate Indigenous innovations in evaluation. Larry Bremner CE, FCES (he/him, Métis) and Dr. Nicole Bowman (Lunaape/Mohican) will facilitate the processes of developing and upholding these foundational elements of R&R. This section will honour our lineage, grow our kinship, and sustain our intergenerational legacies of Indigenous wisdom and practices in evaluation. Roots and Relations will be a welcoming place for Indigenous graduate students, curious and passionate Indigenous community members, Indigenous practitioners, First Nations and other Indigenous policymakers, leaders, and scholars on Kukuna Ahkuy (Mother Earth) to share their important work.

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