

Dr. Gail Fondahl

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Dr. Gail Fondahl is Vice President of Research, Office of Research and Graduate Programs at the University of Northern British Columbia, and a Professor of Geography. She holds a BA degree in Geography and Russian Studies from Dartmouth College and MA and PhD degrees in Geography from the University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Fondahl joined the faculty of UNBC on 1 January 1995.

Dr. Fondahl has taught courses in Aboriginal Geography, Cultural Geography, Political Geography, Circumpolar Geography, and the Geography of Russia at UNBC. She has collaborated with a Russian colleague to run and teach an occasional 'International Summer School on Indigenous Rights' in the Russian Federation. Her research has focused on the legal geographies of indigenous land rights in the Russian North. Closer to home, Dr. Fondahl leads a SSHRC Community-University Research Alliance (CURA) project on sustainable resource management with Tl'azt'en Nation; she is interested in the co-management of both resources and research with First Nations. She is also currently participating in the development of social indicators for human development in the Arctic, as part of an International Polar Year project under the aegis of the Sustainable Development Working Group of the Arctic Council.

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