

## Land Acknowledgement

*The practice of Land Acknowledgement stems from Indigenous tradition and today's protocol for public gatherings. We encourage event planners to consider beginning sessions with a brief statement. For assistance with adapting the Land Acknowledgement or other questions, contact the Social Justice Institute at [socialjustice@case.edu](mailto:socialjustice@case.edu).*

In recognizing the land upon which we reside, we express our gratitude and appreciation to those who lived and worked here before us; those whose stewardship and resilient spirit makes our residence possible on this traditional territory of both Algonquian and Iroquois tribes. From the ancient Erie or Panther people, to the ancestors of contemporary Lenape (or Delaware), Absentee Shawnee, Wyandot from Pennsylvania and the Six Nations of the Northeast, who sought refuge from during the Beaver wars of the 1600s, and all the Great Lakes Anishnaabeg (Ojibway) peoples, who hunted, fished and gathered here, we give thanks for making the paths and passing on knowledge of plants and animals that sustained human life for thousands of years and for our future generations. (Aho)