



Home to Native American, Alaska Native, and
Native Hawaiian students, faculty, and staff

NATIVE AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL CENTER

August 23, 2019

From The Director

Yá'át'ééh,

Welcome to the fall semester! I'd like to personally welcome all the new Boilermakers and welcome back to all the returning students, faculty, and staff. We are excited on this first day of classes and we have an amazing fall semester planned at the NAECC. Our fall calendar of events is ready and available [online](#). This year we are "Indigenize Purdue" by celebrating rich Indigenous cultures and welcoming amazing scholars, elders, and artists from the Oglala Lakota, Pokagon Potawatomi, Kiowa, Dine', and Delaware Nations. We're pleased to partner with our Polynesian Culture Club of Purdue (PCCP) to host "Aloha Fridays" at the Center, come explore and learn about Native Hawaiian cultures and traditions. Stop by for a visit and learn how we can help you throughout the semester. The NAECC is well stocked with plenty of snacks and activities to give you a break from classes or to simply relax. Best of luck with classes, only 16 weeks until the end of the semester!

Ahe'eeh',
Felica Ahasteen-Bryant, NAECC Director

NAECC Announcements

NAECC Fall Open House

Wednesday, September 4 | 4:00 - 6:00 pm | NAECC

Fall kick-off event to showcase the NAECC to students, faculty, and staff. Tour the Center, meet with faculty and staff, and learn about the exciting programs and events scheduled for the fall semester.

Student Org Call Out Meeting

Wednesday, September 4 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm | NAECC

Join us for a dessert social and discover how you can get involved with the student organizations; Purdue

AISES (American Indian Science and Engineering Society), NASA (Native American Student Association), and PCCP (Polynesian Culture Club of Purdue) are looking for new members for this academic year. Sponsored by NAECC, Purdue AISES, NASA, and PCCP.

Aloha Fridays

Friday, September 13 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm | NAECC

Celebrated on the Hawaiian Islands as an end to the work week, we're bringing some "Aloha" to Purdue by exploring and honoring Native Hawaiian cultures and traditions. Join us as we gather and "talk story" about the current issues taking place at Mauna Kea. Discussion will follow the film documentary, "Mauna Kea – Temple Under Siege." Sponsored by: NAECC in collaboration with the Polynesian Culture Club of Purdue

NAECC Visiting Artist featuring Jason Wesaw

Wednesday, September 18 | 3:00 – 5:00 pm | NAECC

Jason Wesaw (Pokagon Potawatomi) is a ceramic, fiber, and mixed media artist who has devoted his life to the study and preservation of Potawatomi culture. Join us for this painting workshop as he shares his knowledge in blending the traditional ways and contemporary techniques. Wesaw is the featured artist for the fall 2019 Eiteljorg Museum's Artist-in-Residence program. Advance registration is required at <http://bit.ly/2TqoUtR>. Sponsored by NAECC in collaboration with the Eiteljorg Museum.

CELD Lunch and Learn: Protection of Native American Cultural Resources through Repatriation

Tuesday, September 24 | 12 noon – 1 pm | NAECC

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) was passed in 1990 to combat the theft of Indigenous religious practices, display of Native American human remains, and inappropriate sale of sacred objects yet it continues to be a major issue in Indian Country. Dorene Red Cloud (Oglala Lakota), Assistant Curator of Native American Arts at the Eiteljorg Museum, will discuss current repatriation efforts, provide basic knowledge of NAGPRA and other new legislation to support the return of cultural items, and share information on the protection of Indigenous cultural resources. Sponsored by NAECC in collaboration with Civic Engagement and Leadership Development.

Find a complete list of events on our [webpage](#).

NAECC Employment Opportunities

The NAECC has two employment opportunities: Graduate Assistant will assist special projects related to recruitment and retention of Native American graduate and undergraduate students and planning and implementing culturally relevant programs. Student Staff Assistant will assist with outreach and recruitment events, perform general clerical support, and assist with special projects. Work-study eligible students will have priority consideration.

For more information, contact Felica Ahasteen-Bryant, NAECC Director, by email at felica@purdue.edu.

NAECC Hours for Fall Semester

Monday - Thursday | 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Friday | 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed during the observance of University Holidays

Campus Events

Lunch and Learn with Motar Boards!

Wed, August 28 | 11:00 am - 2:30 pm | LGBTQ Center (SCHL 230)

Maximizing Student Potential - A Campus Community Conference

Tues, September 3 | 8:00 am - 6:30 pm | [Register here](#)

Self-Care Resource Fair

Wed, September 4 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm | Honors Hall

AAARCC Lunch and Learn Series

Thursdays Fall Semester | 12:00 - 1:00 pm | AAARCC

Lunch and Learn with Financial Aid

Thurs, September 5 | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm | LGBTQ Center (SCHL 230)

LGBTQ Rainbow Callout

Wed, September 11 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | PMU North and South Ballrooms

An Evening with Dr. Ellen Ochoa, NASA Astronaut and First Latina in Space Ideas Festival, Space Exploration

Thurs, September 26 | 6:30 pm | PMU South Ballroom

Professional Opportunities at Purdue and Beyond

The International Year of Indigenous Language 2019: Perspectives

October 30 - November 2 | Purdue University Fort Wayne

Recovering Voices Community Research Program - Call for Proposals

Application Deadline: September 1

First Nations' Native Agriculture and Food Systems Scholarship

Application Deadline: September 30

Dominion Energy's Careers in Energy Diversity Student Conference

October 9 - 11 | Richmond, Virginia | [Application](#) Deadline August 31

Community

Meet Artist-in-Residence Jason Wesaw

September 14, 21, & 28 | 1:00 - 4:00 pm | Eiteljorg Museum, Indianapolis

Jason Wesaw (Pokagon Band of Potawatomi) is a photographer, mixed media and ceramic artist from Michigan who has devoted his life to the study and preservation of his Potawatomi culture. Meet Jason, learn about his art and culture, and watch demonstrations on three Saturdays in September.

Potawatomi Day

September 28 | 11:00 am - 4:00 pm | Eiteljorg Museum

Explore Potawatomi culture with artists, experts and culture bearers. Get an overview of Potawatomi history from John N. Low, Ph.D., then explore the Mihtohseenionki Gallery and look for historic and contemporary Potawatomi art on exhibit in the museum. Learn about Native foods and indigenous cooking methods with Gary Morseau. Watch artist Christine Morseau demonstrate black ash basketry, and make your own black ash animal. Hear stories and songs about the drum with Gerald R. Wesaw, Sr. Create art with ceramic and mixed media artist Jason Wesaw and more.

59th Annual Tecumseh Lodge Pow Wow

August 31 - September 1 | Tipton County 4-H Fairgrounds

Andersontown Powwow and Indian Market

September 7 & 8 | Athletic Park, Anderson, IN

Carolinas Good Medicine Powwow

September 20 - 21 | Frank Liske Park, NC

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