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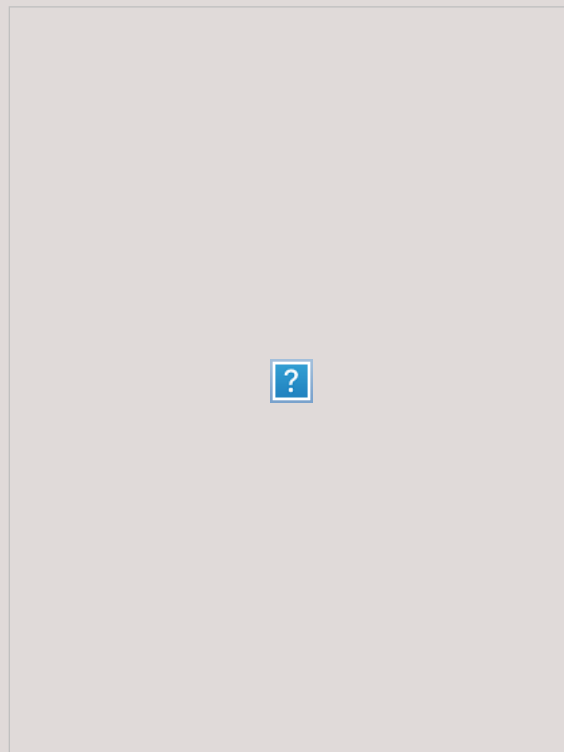
UPCOMING EVENTS



November 17th-19th
4th Annual California's
American Indian &
Indigenous Film Festival
Hosted by the CICSC

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RISING IN KNOWLEDGE



Joely Proudfit

Míiyuyam!

The CICSC has been very busy this semester! Our center and our students have been very active with the issues facing Indian country. The CICSC attended the Mni Wiconi ("Water is Life") rally in San Diego outside the Federal Courthouse in September. About 200 protectors showed up in solidarity with the Standing Rock Sioux people. The center also stands with the Kumeyaay nation, who are facing issues with the U.S. Navy base in Coronado that is trying to build atop sacred land burial sites. While we are dealing with more serious issues, our upshot will be this month's California's American Indian &

Indigenous Film Festival. Be sure to mark your calendars for November 17-19!

*Joely Proudfit, Ph.D. (Luiseño)
Director, CICSC*

American Indian Studies

Linda Sue Warner, Ph.D.

Dr. Linda Sue Warner is a member of the Comanche Nation and the grant writer here at CICSC. Dr. Wanrer also holds a position in the American Studies department teaching a class on American



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Dr. Linda Sue Warner

Indian women. She received her doctorate from the University of Oklahoma in Administration, holds an M.A. from Pennsylvania State University in Education Administration, and has her B.A. from Northeastern University in Language Arts and Education. She taught higher education at Research 1 universities such as the University of Kansas, Pennsylvania State University, University of Missouri, and at one post-secondary boarding

school where she concentrated on School Law, Educational Leadership, Research Methods, and American Indian Women's Studies.

Dr. Warner has many achievements both personally and professionally. Her biggest professional achievement was receiving a teaching award at the University of Missouri, but she prides herself personally on being a parent to two honorable men. Dr. Warner's successes came with a long journey such as going to school as a single parent and trying to get her students to think critically, which are powerful lessons to teach to her students.

Dr. Warner enjoys the work that she does at CSUSM because "the enthusiasm and energy...is addictive and reinforces traditional values."

*Autumn Brown (Kumeyaay)
CICSC Student Assistant*

Events

Luncheon with the Dean of CEHHS

On Tuesday, October 25, our American Indian students met with the dean of the College of Education, Health, and Human Services, Dr. Janet Powell. Dean Powell provided students with the luncheon held at the CICSC. Students were able to speak with Dean Powell and faculty regarding their education and the possibilities of teaching as a profession. Dr. Powell listened to students' stories about how they arrived at CSUSM, what their goals are, and she even took advise on how she as a dean could improve students' learning experiences within the CEHHS.

*Laila Basquez (Pechanga)
AISA Chairperson*

Kumeyaay Bird Songs & Stories Under the Stars

On Wednesday, September 21st, the California Indian Culture and

Sovereignty Center (CICSC) and Office of the Tribal Liaison celebrated California Indian Day on the CSU San Marcos campus. The event was held at the Serenity Circle, located outside of the CICSC. Mr. Paul Cuero, Jr., a tribal member and Vice Chairman of the Campo Band of the Kumeyaay Nation sang bird songs and shared his wisdom through stories with the group. It was an evening to remember, filled with lots of laughter and empowerment. Mr. Cuero has maintained a key role in the Kumeyaay Nation where he teaches bird songs and talks about life lessons within the Kumeyaay culture. We were very honored to have him here with CSUSM students, faculty, community members and friends.



*Autumn Brown (Kumeyaay)
CICSC Student Researcher*

NEH Workshop: Bridging the Gap



(L to R) Joely Proudfit, Jonathan Berman, Kiana Maillet, Margaret McMurtry, Sunny Hegwood, Cutcha Rising Baldy, Amrah Salomon, Linda Sue Warner, Michael Wilson, Theresa Gregor, David Martinez, John Tippeconnic

Over three days, CSUSM faculty and staff were joined by regional and national scholars to continue to work on the National Endowment for the Humanities "Bridging the Gap" work that began in the Spring of 2016. During these three days, discussions were led by nationally recognized scholars Michael D. Wilson, Choctaw (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee), David Martinez, Gila River

Pima (Arizona State University), Linda Sue Warner, Comanche, and Joely Proudfit, Luiseño (CSUSM).

The focus of these sessions was community engagement in the creation a 21st century American Indian Studies program. Contributions were provided by Pauma Band of Mission Indians Vice Chairman Chris Devers (Luiseño), Juana Majel Dixon (Luiseño), and Denise Turner-Walsh (Luiseño). These regional tribal leaders and professionals provide a necessary balance to the administrative requirements of colleges and universities by adding perspectives that reflect current tribal needs.

The workshops provided opportunity to exchange of practices, processes and ideas in the creation or modification of courses for the new AIS major. These discussions highlighted online delivery of coursework and reflected the overall intent of the grant to create a community of AIS scholars who will continue to create and update

coursework reflecting recent practice and research in language stabilization, stereotypes, politics, history, and literature.

Linda Sue Warner (Comanche)
CICSC Grant Writer

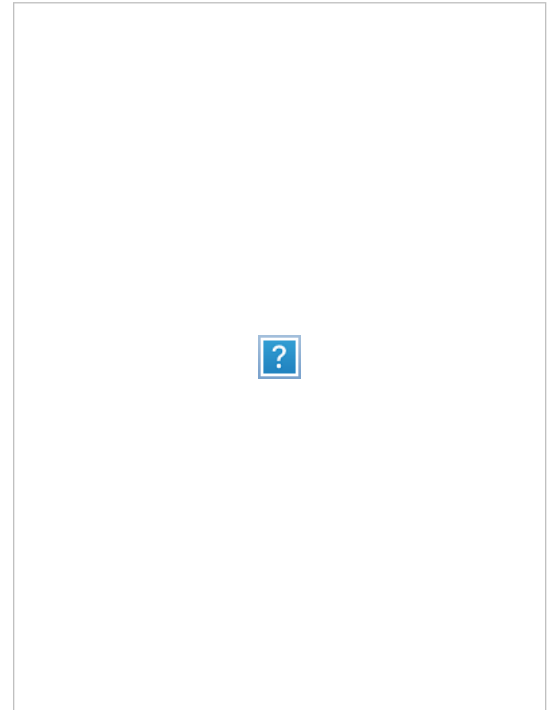
White House Tribal Nations Conference & National Advisory Council on Indian Education

On September 26, Dr. Joely Proudfit, CICSC Director, attended the 8th Annual White House Tribal Nations Conference in Washington, DC. The President and members of his Cabinet discussed a range of issues important to tribal leaders, with an emphasis on ways the federal government can continue to strengthen the nation-to-nation relationship and ensure that progress in Indian Country endures for years to come.

The Tribal Nations Conference delivers on a promise the President made during a visit to the Crow Nation in Montana in May 2008, where he pledged to host an annual summit with tribal leaders to ensure that tribal nations have a seat at the table when facing important decisions about their communities. This year's Conference - the President's eighth and final of his Presidency - marks the historic progress his Administration has made to strengthen the nation-to-nation relationship and build a more prosperous and resilient Indian Country.

Dr. Proudfit also attended the National Advisory Council on Indian Education (NACIE) meeting.

Dancy Turner (Luiseño)
CICSC Student Assistant



Juana Majel Dixon, Billy Mills, and Joely Proudfit

National Indian Education Association Convention

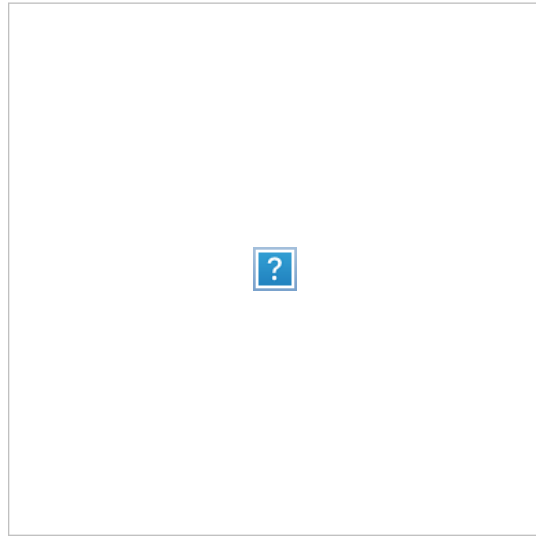
Dr. Joely Proudfit and Tishmall Turner attended the annual NIEA conference. On October 7, Dr. Joely Proudfit presented at the NIEA convention on "On Indian Ground: A Discussion on Generating Hope, Leadership, & Sovereignty through Education." The CISC embarked on a four year project that adds to the knowledge base on recent developments, research and practice in American Indian/Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian education. With 567 federally recognized tribes in the United States, this project narrows the focus from the generic "Indian education," moving away from the historical approaches that contextualize them generically.

Dr. Proudfit was also one of eight individuals invited to do a "Lightning

Talk" during the 2nd General Assembly session and talked about research at CICSC, sovereignty and education. Lightning Talks are a series (usually at least 4-5) of 5 minute talks/presentations by different speakers, each introducing a topic or idea very quickly. A set of Lightning Talks is a way to rapidly share information about diverse topics without overwhelming the audience.

Ernestina Martinez (Navajo)
CICSC Staff

ImagineNATIVE 2016



Missy Magooshboy, Tantoo Cardinal,
Megan Doughty

CICSC Student Assistant

From October 17-21, CICSC staff members Megan Doughty and Missy Magooshboy attended imagineNATIVE in Toronto, Canada. At the festival, they saw a variety of the latest films in Indian Country and gained inspiration to incorporate some of programming into our American Indian & Indigenous Film Festival. They had the opportunity to meet various native celebrities and were provided training by imagineNATIVE staff and volunteers.

Carlos Morales

NODAPL Rally

On October 18th, the American Indian Student Alliance held a rally at CSUSM to raise awareness about the Dakota Access Pipeline. They highlighted the detrimental implications of the project, and the ways that it would affect the people of the Standing Rock Dakota Sioux reservation. AISA urged passerbys to "keep it in the soil" and got many to sign an online petition to stop the project. AISA was joined by students from the nearby All Tribes Charter School. The club gained at least 100 signatures against the pipeline as students lined up during U-Hour to offer support. Stay tuned for additional rallies and information on this issue.



Kelsey Lechusa, Dancy Turner, Marjon Pino, Rebecca Nogales, Joe Smith of ASIA

California Indian Conference 2016

On October 21, Dr. Joely Proudfit and Tishmall Turner attended and presented at the 2016 California Indian Conference held at San Diego State University. She presented on "Creations & Constructions: On Indian Ground" forum which provided updates and relevant data on education initiatives from the California Indian Culture & Sovereignty Center.

Megan Doughty
CICSC Creative Director

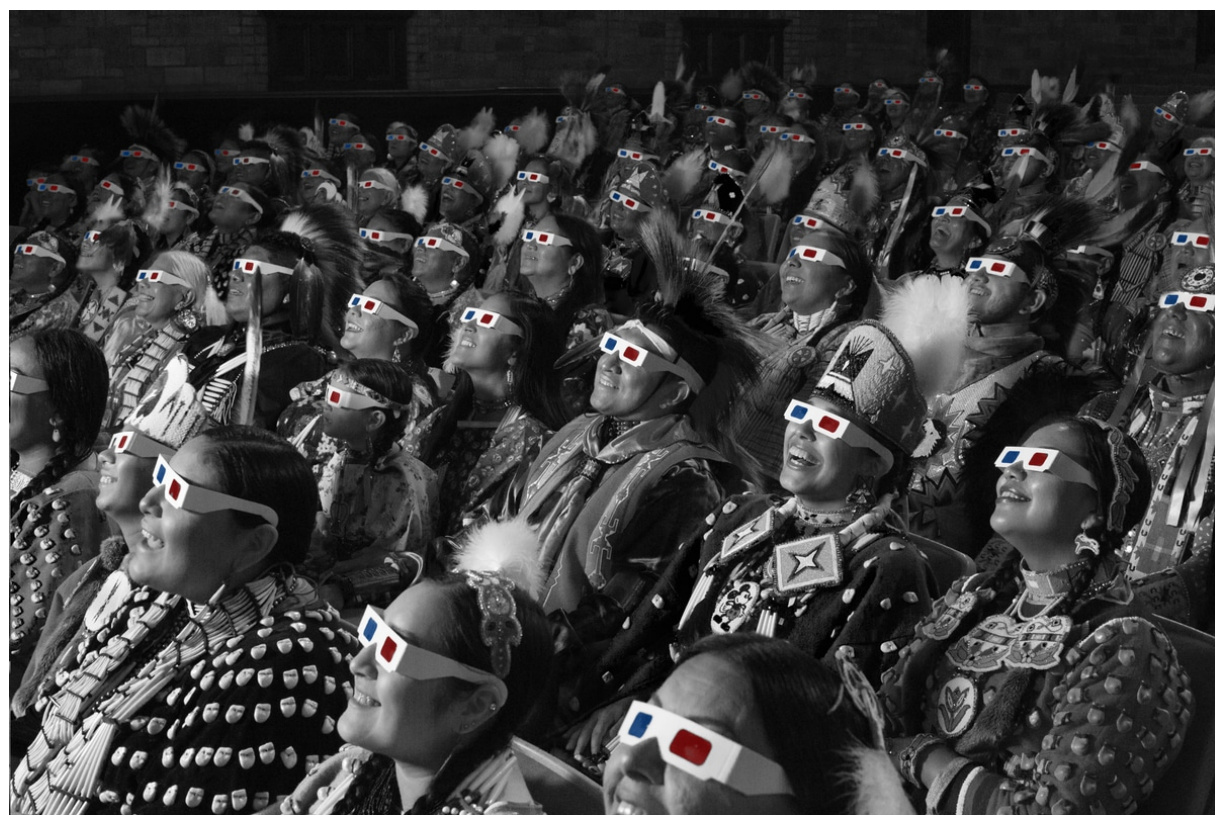
Upcoming Events

Cougars Stand with Standing Rock



The California Indian Culture and Sovereignty Center will be taking donations to be sent to the protectors at Standing Rock. The CICSC is located on the north end of campus near the parking structure in SBSB 1118. Donations will be sent out periodically as community members take trips out to North Dakota. The most necessary items include, but are not limited to, blankets and warm clothing for the upcoming winter. Anything at all will be much appreciated!

4th Annual California's American Indian & Indigenous Film Festival



Date: *November 17-19, 2016*
Location: *CSU San Marcos Campus & Pechanga Resort & Casino*

