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## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR!



We at the CICSC are very busy this summer with Fall projects and hope everyone is enjoying their summer. The CICSC is open but on a flexible schedule. Please call or email ahead to ensure that someone will be in the Center. We are completing the final version of the third annual State of American Indian and

Alaska Native Education in California report. We want to feature a few Alumni Profiles to share with our supporters the success and achievement of our AIAN college graduates. If you know of any CSUSM AIAN alumni, please assist in getting the word out to them about completing our survey, which is located on the left sidebar. We appreciate your assistance in reaching out to these individuals. We hope everyone is having a fun summer.

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

## Student Highlight

### Raffdazzel "Raffie" John

Raffdazzel John is a member of the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin. and is currently a Councilwoman in the American Indian Student Alliance at CSUSM. According to Raffie, one of her proudest moments is attending CSU San Marcos because it proved that all

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her hard work, ambitions, support from family, friends, and teacher did not go to waste. She believes the purpose of education is to make better decisions, break down stereotypes, and to influence and encourage the younger generation to care about their education. Raffle is majoring in Arts and Technology with a minor in Fine Arts and a possible double minor in Film/Theater Production. Raffle's goal is to continue on to graduate school, obtain teacher's credentials and become a professor or high school teacher. Her best advice for students is "Hang out with people who are supportive and do not be afraid to speak up for what you believe."



*Megan Doughty*  
CICSC Creative Director

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## Events

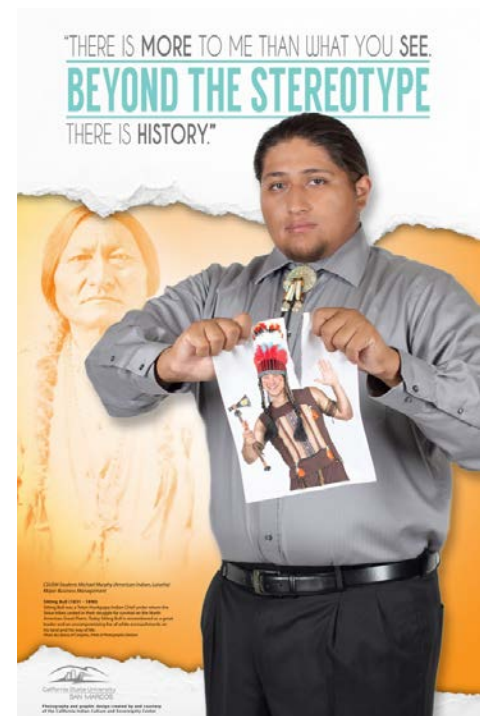
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### Human Library at Encinitas

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*Sunday, June 7th, 2015*

San Diego County Library hosted a Human Library at the Encinitas Branch on Sunday, June 7. CICSC Director, Dr. Joely Proudfit and CSUSM Management Student Michael Murphy were invited to attend as "Living Books." The Human Library aims to dispel stereotypes and involves people with certain backgrounds or life experiences attending as "Living Books" and then other people ("Readers") engage in conversation and/or ask questions. Dr. Proudfit and Michael were able to engage with visitors and answer any questions they had about American Indians. The Beyond the Stereotype exhibit was also available for viewing at the event.



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### Morongo TANF Youth Visit

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*Friday, June 12th, 2015*

Summer is out but the CICSC is open. We hosted the Morongo Youth for lunch and a campus tour on June 12. Despite having to go to school over summer vacation, the youth were excited to learn about the opportunities and support for American Indian students at CSUSM. We were happy to provide them with a tour and were also thrilled that a few of our current AISA members were able to join them at the Center for a small question and answer sessions about how to go to college and what to expect when you get there. A special thank you to all who made the visit a success.

Theresa Gregor (Iipay)  
CICSC Research Associate

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## PL-280 Course at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino

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June 17th-18th, 2015

On June 17-18, the CICSC Law Enforcement Certificate Program presented *Understanding Jurisdiction on Tribal Lands: A User-Friendly PL-280 Course*. \*This 2-day class was generously supported by the Four Winds Tribal Coalition and Verizon Foundation. It took place at the Fantasy Springs Resort Casino Event Center in Indio, CA.



The Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians used the training to benefit many of the individuals who serve the Tribe in leadership positions. The Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians also sent several participants. Instructors covered important topics, such as, tribal sovereignty, domestic violence and tribal protection orders, the evolution of criminal jurisdiction on tribal lands, public safety issues and practical understanding of the federal mandate for state criminal jurisdiction on tribal lands (PL 83-280). Feedback from the class showed that everyone gained something important from the training -- some even said it exceeded their expectations!

*\*This course is a result of years in formulating a collaboration with the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). Through this collaboration, the Center offers a 2-day course to active peace officers in the State of California about the unique jurisdiction on tribal lands that can be applied to their POST certificates. Additionally, these peace officers, and all other participants, receive a Certificate of Completions from the center.*

For more information on upcoming classes or for requesting a training at your location, visit the [CICSC Certificates website](#).

Cindy Pierce  
CICSC Program Instructor

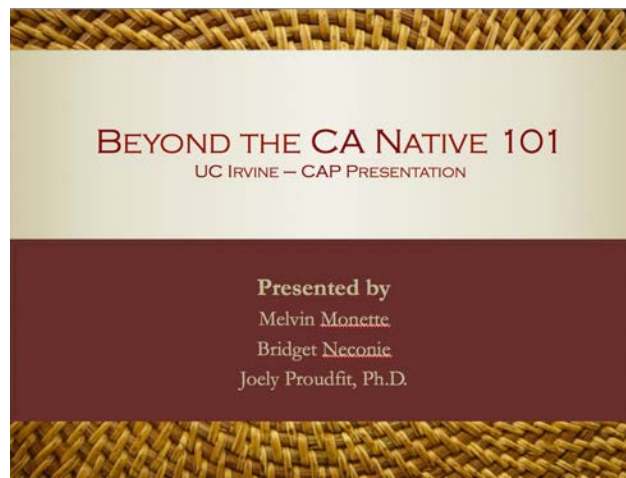
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## 2015 College and Preparation (CAP) Forum

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Wednesday, June 17th, 2015

Dr. Joely Proudfit joined Melvin Monette, President of the National Indian Education Association (NIEA) and Bridget Neconie, Assistant Director of the Office of Undergraduate Admission at UC Berkeley for the panel *Beyond the California Native 101* at the 2015 CAP Forum held at UC Irvine. Mr. Monette presented on NIEA and other national work being done in American Indian higher education. Dr. Proudfit presented on the State of AIAN Education in



California report results including information on the CSU and UC systems. Ms. Neconie presented on the American Indian Counselor Recruiters Association and provide information on enrollment. The annual CAP forum brings together educators and practitioners who work throughout academia to improve academic preparation and access

for underserved communities.

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## NEXTus: Indigenous Media Arts Festivals Summit

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*June 23rd-25th, 2015*

Dr. Joely Proudfit in addition to being the Director of the CICSC, she is the Director of the San Diego American Indian Film Festival (SDAIFF). As the SDAIFF Director, Dr. Proudfit was invited to the NEXTus: Indigenous Media Arts Festival Summit in Mnjikaning, the Chippewas of Rama First Nation, one hour north of Toronto. The NEXTus summit was made possible through funding from the Canada Council for the Arts' Initiatives. ImagineNATIVE hosted the summit to bring together the leaders of Indigenous media arts festivals and Indigenous-specific sections of larger festivals. Dr. Proudfit was able to meet with other film festival directors to discuss relevant issues, challenges and opportunities. We look forward to implementing new ideas and suggestions in our upcoming annual San Diego American Indian Film Festival.



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