MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR!

Welcome Back!

I hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing and fun-filled summer. In June, I was blessed and humbled by notification that my peers had awarded me status as Full Professor. As many of you know, the tenure and promotion process is complex and demanding and I am honored to have earned the position of full professor.

For the Fall semester, I would like to welcome our CSUSM community back to campus. We look forward to seeing new faces and reconnecting with familiar ones. Additionally, I would like to welcome new faculty in the American Indian Studies Department. Dr. John Tippeconnic (Comanche/Cherokee) is teaching AIS 101: Introduction to American Indian Studies, Dr. Linda Sue Warner (Comanche) is teaching AIS 370: American Indian Women and Activism, and Dr. Brian Wescott (Athabascan/Yup’ik) is teaching AIS 350: Imagining Indians - American Indians, Mass Media, Film and Society.

Campus and community activities are quickly filling up my fall calendar—we had our welcome reception for students with the Office of the Tribal Liaison, and had a great turnout. We are actively recruiting volunteers and support for the 4th Annual California American Indian & Indigenous Film Festival, and I am very much looking forward to overseeing the growth and development of the new AIS department in its inaugural year. I encourage all CSUSM students in the meantime to enroll in our American Indian Studies Minor. We need your support to make these changes happen! You can drop by the CICSC once the semester begins and I can help you fill out the paperwork. This will definitely be a semester full of hard work and lots of fun!
Good luck this semester!

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

Stand with Standing Rock #NODAPL

Water is Life! #NODAPL

My name is Jacquellyn Peery White, and I am a member of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma. I am currently a senior at CSUSM. This summer I was blessed to be accepted as a MHIRT (Minority Health and Health Disparities International Research Training) fellow in Uganda, Africa! I spent eight weeks in Uganda researching adolescent adherence to HIV therapy. I worked closely with healthcare workers in villages, along with Ugandan military officials at several different military bases. Although my research focused on teen HIV, it was obvious that another obstacle the people in Uganda faced was access to clean water. Many people do not understand that clean water is a problem here in the United States, and even in San Diego County!! I believe everyone should have clean water and it is everyone's responsibility to ensure that the water we do have is kept clean for future generations.

Within two weeks of returning from Africa, I went to North Dakota to show support to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe against the Dakota Access Pipeline. I felt honored to be a part of such a historic event. There were so many different tribes present, and the peaceful gatherings were amazing to witness. I participated in prayers, women's councils, and protests. This summer changed my life and I gained confidence I never thought I had before. I look forward to many more exciting adventures in my future! #NODAPL #HonortheEarth

#NODAPL Protest in San Diego
On September 9, The California Indian Culture and Sovereignty Center and the American Indian Student Alliance went out to San Diego to show support for our brothers and sisters in South Dakota. Water is precious! [Photos Link]

American Indian Studies

John Tippeconnic III, Ph.D.

Dr. John Tippeconnic, III, is a member of the Comanche Tribe. He is currently affiliated faculty with CICSC and a Lecturer for CSUSM American Indian Studies. He received his doctoral degree from Pennsylvania State University in Education Administration. Dr. Tippeconnic recently retired from Arizona State University, where he was a Professor and Director of American Indian Studies. He was a professor of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies at Penn State University, where he directed an American Indian Leadership Program. He is the former Director of the Office of Indian Education Programs for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). He also was the Director of the Office of Indian Education (OIE) located in the U.S. Department of Education and served as vice president of Navajo Community College (now Diné College)
His publications include co-editing the book, Next Steps: Research and Practice to Advance Indian Education, and The Dropout/Graduation Crisis among American Indian and Alaska Native Students. He co-edited a special issue of the Journal of American Indian Education on Culturally Responsive Education for American Indian, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian students. He currently serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Diversity in Higher Education and the Journal of American Indian Education.

He serviced two terms as president of the National Indian Education Association and chair of the American Educational Research Association American Indian Education Special Interest Group. He was a founding member of the Governing Board or Council of Comanche Nation College, the first tribal college in Oklahoma. In 2011 he was named a "Fellow" by the American Educational Research Association. In 2012 the National Indian Education Association awarded him a Lifetime Achievement Award for his work in the education of American Indians and Alaska Natives.

We are grateful and proud to have Dr. Tippeconnic join us this semester in American Indian Studies Department.

Dancy Turner (Luiseño)  
CICSC Student Assistant

American Indian Studies Display Case

The American Indian studies department has the opportunity to be displayed in the SBSB case to highlight (and to really introduce) the new American Indian studies department and major (beginning fall 2016). Campus and community members worked and collaborated for nearly a decade to create the department and their efforts will be showcased in a retrospective to share who they are and how their contributions impact students in CHABBS. Showcased are the mission of the American Indian studies department, its vision, and the potential career opportunities in the field of AIS. The display features our new course offerings, the research from AIS, and AIS events, and various resources for AIS students. To round out the exhibit, there is a visually-stunning montage of tribal words and phrases translating "knowledge" and "community" into the native languages from local tribal groups and our native students at CSUSM to honor their persistence and presence.
in the region and at CSUSM.

Emily Ramirez  
*CICSC Graduate Student Researcher*

**Past Events**

**PL 280 Course in Shingle Springs**

On August 4 - 5th, the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians hosted our "Understanding Jurisdiction on Tribal Lands: A User-friendly PL 280" class. The invitation was extended by AmyAnn Taylor, General Counsel to the Tribe. AmyAnn carved out time to attend the class as well as, the Tribe's Chief of Police, Kay Ida. Even Chairman Nicholas Fonseca took time from his busy schedule to greet the class and join in on some of our discussion.

Both days were well attended, primarily by local state public safety agencies that were invited by the Tribe. Through the training, participants were able to gain a clearer understanding of tribal sovereignty and the historic evolution of criminal jurisdiction on tribal lands that created the convoluted jurisdictional scheme that exists today. There was good discussion through the practical scenarios and understanding of the importance of strong partnerships between tribal and state agencies as they work to keep the community safe.

*Cindy Pierce  
*CICSC Program Instructor*

**Upcoming Events**

**CSUSM Volleyball**

**Come out and support our American Indian Volleyball Players!**

Cheyanne Patin (Cree) is currently a Sophomore majoring in Business at CSU San Marcos. She is a Middle Blocker for the CSUSM Cougars Volleyball team. Last season, Cheyanne appeared in 27 matches and registered double-digit kills in three matches. She tallied a career-high 11 kills and made no errors against Chico State. She also racked up seven blocks against Westminster.
Samantha Flores (Apache) is currently a Junior majoring in Kinesiology at CSU San Marcos. She is a Defensive Specialist for the CSUSM Cougars Volleyball team. Last season, Samantha appeared in 28 matches. She finished second on the team with 17 aces and collected double-digits in digs in 11 matches. She also reached the 20+ plateau in digs on five occasions.

For more information, please visit the CSUSM Cougars website.

9/20/2016  Point Loma San Diego  7:00 PM
9/24/2016  UC San Diego La Jolla  7:00 PM
9/30/2016  Cal State Monterey Bay Seaside  7:00 PM
10/1/2016  Cal State East Bay Hayward  7:00 PM
10/7/2016  Sonoma State CSUSM  7:00 PM
10/8/2016  San Francisco State CSUSM  7:00 PM
10/12/2016  Cal State Dominguez Hills Carson  7:00 PM
10/14/2016  Cal Poly Pomona CSUSM  7:00 PM
10/15/2016  Cal State San Bernardino San Bernardino 7:00 PM
10/18/2016  Cal State L.A. Los Angeles 7:00 PM
10/22/2016  Humboldt State CSUSM  1:00 PM
10/28/2016  Cal State San Bernardino CSUSM  7:00 PM
10/29/2016  Cal Poly Pomona Pomona  7:00 PM
11/4/2016  Stanislaus State Turlock  7:00 PM
11/5/2016  Chico State Chico  7:00 PM
11/12/2016  UC San Diego CSUSM  1:00 PM

Home Games - Bold

California Indian Day Storytelling & Birdsiners
Call for Film Submissions

The California Indian Culture and Sovereignty Center (CICSC) is currently seeking film and video entries for the 2016 California's American Indian & Indigenous Film Festival (CAIIFF). The festival will showcase the finest work in current American Indian film and media. The CICSC is proud and excited to host the festival to give tribal people in the area such a rare and fantastic opportunity to view American Indian films of this caliber.

Films to be entered into the film festival should be of or about North American Indian or Canada First Nation peoples. Entry deadline is September 30, 2016.
4th Annual California's American Indian & Indigenous Film Festival

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Offering audiences in San Diego County the finest work in American Indian film and media on an annual basis
WWW.CAIFF.COM
Be sure to mark your calendars for the next three years! We hope to see you there!

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Date: November 17-19, 2016
Location: CSU San Marcos Campus & Pechanga Resort & Casino
More Information: www.caiiff.com