

2022 Alaska Indigenous Research Program

Week 1 Schedule

Mon, May 02, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 2
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing/Land Acknowledgement

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 2
- Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

Welcome Address

- 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM, May 2
- Lecture Hall

Speaker



Timothy Thomas

Director of Research Services
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

9:20 AM

Introductions & Program Guidance

- 9:20 AM - 10:15 AM, May 2
- Lecture Hall

Speaker



Abbie Willetto

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

10:15 AM

Wellness Break

- 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM, May 2

10:30 AM

Two-Eyed Seeing

- 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM, May 2
- Lecture Hall

Speaker



Alexandra King, MD, FRCPC

Cameco Chair in Indigenous Health and Wellness
University of Saskatchewan

11:30 AM

Joe Senungetuk - Art and Life

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM, May 2

Lecture Hall

Documentary

<https://www.sinangituqarts.com/>

Speaker



Karli Tyance Hassell

Indigenous Engagement Coordinator
Alaska Pacific University

12:00 PM

Lunch

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 2

Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Keynote Address: Connecting to mother earth's love to guide Indigenous research, connectedness, and thrivance

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM, May 2

Lecture Hall

Indigenous methodologies have continued to guide rigorous, valid community engaged research across Indigenous communities. Recently, Dr. Johnson-Jennings and colleagues have found that reconnecting to mother earth can transform historical trauma into healing, as well as promote cultural connectedness and intergenerational responsibility. Dr. Johnson-Jennings will discuss her land-based healing research including her journey in community engaged research. She will further highlight how ethical and loving Indigenous approaches to research can assist Indigenous scientists in becoming strong future ancestors.

Speaker



Michelle Johnson-Jennings, PhD

Environmental Health & Land-Based Healing Division, IWRI
University of Washington, Full Professor, Director

2:00 PM

Wellness Break

2:00 PM - 2:10 PM, May 2

2:10 PM

Keynote Speaker

2:10 PM - 3:10 PM, May 2

Lecture Hall

Speaker



Abigail Echo-Hawk

Director
Urban Indian Health Institute

3:10 PM

Wellness Break

3:10 PM - 3:20 PM, May 2

3:20 PM

Cultural Craft: Beaded Fish Skin Badge Reels

3:20 PM - 4:20 PM, May 2

Seminar Room

Speaker



Amelia Simeonoff
Program Associate
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

4:20 PM

Closing Remarks (5/2)

- 4:20 PM - 4:30 PM, May 2
- Seminar Room

5:00 PM

Optional: Braiding Sweetgrass Book Discussion

- 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM, May 2
- Seminar Room

Attendees will receive a copy of Robin Wall Kimmerer's Braiding Sweetgrass book!

Speakers



Wendee Gardner, DPT, MPH
Tribal Good Medicine



Danica Love Brown, PhD, MSW
Behavioral Health Programs Director
Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board

Tue, May 03, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 3
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 3
- Seminar Room

9:00 AM

Intergenerational Collaboration: 49 Days of Ceremony Program Development

- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM, May 3
- Seminar Room

Speakers



Celena J. Ghost Dog
WYSH Project Manager
Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board



Amy Modig
Elder
49 Days of Ceremony



Doug Modig
Elder



Karin Dean
Behavioral Health Program Coordinator
Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board



Danica Love Brown, PhD, MSW
Behavioral Health Programs Director
Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board

10:00 AM

Wellness Break

10:00 AM - 10:10 AM, May 3

10:10 AM

Indigenous Knowledge & Yup'ik Talking Circles

10:10 AM - 11:00 AM, May 3

Seminar Room

Speaker



Elizabeth Sunnyboy
Elder
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

11:00 AM

Living Cultural Storytelling Values through Research

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, May 3

Seminar Room

Speaker



Tara Maudrie, MSPH
PhD Student
Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health

12:00 PM

Lunch

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 3

Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Indigenous Research Methodologies: Bicultural Accountability and Sharing with Community

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM, May 3

Lecture Hall

In an evaluation of Indigenous methodologies in Western academic contexts, this presentation includes a summary of academic dialogue by providing background information and situatedness to Indigenous research that is positioned in the academy and Indigenous community simultaneously. The dialogue includes a series of published work that helps explain Indigenous research methodologies (IRMs) and delineates important considerations for practitioners and communities who are immersed in projects that includes Indigenous community. The presenter shares their rationale for continuing the discourse in an academic forum and community. The presentation concludes with an alternative method for dissemination (a winter count), that reimagines epistemological pluralism and knowledge protection through bicultural accountability. Knowledge repatriation, and community connectivity in the dissemination of Indigenous knowledge is considered to be paramount in this process.

Speaker



Sweeney Windchief, EdD

Associate Professor
Montana State University

2:05 PM

Two-Spirit in Health Research: Collecting and Working with Data in Culturally Affirming Way(s)

- 2:05 PM - 3:05 PM, May 3
 - Lecture Hall
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Speaker



Harlan Pruden

Indigenous Knowledge Translation Lead
BC Center for Disease Control & Two-Spirit Dry Lab

3:05 PM

Wellness Break

- 3:05 PM - 3:20 PM, May 3

3:20 PM

Ripple Effects Mapping: A participatory method to document program and community impacts

- 3:20 PM - 4:20 PM, May 3
- Lecture Hall

This session provides an overview of Ripple Effects Mapping (REM), a qualitative, participatory group method for evaluating complex programs. After this session, participants will be able to:

- Describe the elements of the Ripple Effects Mapping process;
 - Identify the skills needed to facilitate a Ripple Effects Mapping session;
 - Weigh the benefits and limitations of Ripple Effects Mapping as an evaluation tool; and
 - Assess the usefulness of Ripple Effects Mapping as a tool to evaluate programs in their organizations.
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Speaker



Scott Chazdon

University of Minnesota

4:20 PM

Closing Remarks (5/3)

- 4:20 PM - 4:30 PM, May 3
- Lecture Hall

Wed, May 04, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 4
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 4
- Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

Keynote Speaker

- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM, May 4
- Lecture Hall

Speaker



Maaruk Warren Jones

10:00 AM

Wellness Break

- 10:00 AM - 10:10 AM, May 4

10:10 AM

A Systemic Analysis: Residential Boarding Schools and Structural Violence

- 10:10 AM - 11:00 AM, May 4
- Lecture Hall

When looking at the History of Sheldon Jackson and the genesis of the Boarding Schools within Alaska, it becomes clear that systems were put into place for the subjugation and colonization of Alaska Native peoples that still are seen and felt today. Within this session, we will look at the history of the Boarding Schools within Alaska, their affects upon the systems put into place in the lower 48 Boarding Schools, and how it can be understood as Structural Violence today.

Speaker



Benjamin Jacuk (Dolchok)

Indigenous Researcher
Alaska Native Heritage Center

11:05 AM

Cultural Connectedness as a Preventative Factor for Violence & Health Outcomes

- 11:05 AM - 12:00 PM, May 4
- Lecture Hall

Speaker



Katie Schultz, PhD, MSW

Assistant Professor of Social Work
University of Michigan

12:00 PM

Lunch/ ANHC Dance Group Performance

- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 4

Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Alaska Blanket Exercise/Talking Circle

- 1:00 PM - 4:15 PM, May 4
- Student Leadership Center

The Alaska Blanket Exercise program is a participatory history lesson – developed in collaboration with Alaska Native Elders, knowledge keepers and educators – that fosters truth, understanding, respect, and reconciliation among Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

Through an experiential learning activity, participants will walk on blankets representing the land and into the role of Alaska Native people by reading scrolls and carrying cards which ultimately determine their outcome as they literally ‘walk’ through situations that include pre-contact, colonization and resistance. This exercise was adapted from a best practice exercise use by Indigenous people in Canada.

Learning Objectives

1. Participants will gain knowledge and understanding of Alaska Native history, since time immemorial.
2. Participants will develop an understanding of the impacts of intergenerational trauma on Alaska Native people.
3. Participants will develop an awareness of and gain an understanding of what they can do in their own lives and communities to break cycles of intergenerational trauma.

If you have any questions, please contact us at: akblanketexercise@anthc.org

Speakers



Panika Teeple
Project Coordinator
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Amber Frasure
Behavioral Health
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

4:15 PM

Closing Remarks (5/4)

- 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM, May 4

Thu, May 05, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 5
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 5
- Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Awareness Day Commemoration

- 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM, May 5

Speakers



Amy Modig
Elder
49 Days of Ceremony



Doug Modig
Elder



Karli Tyance Hassell
Indigenous Engagement Coordinator
Alaska Pacific University

9:45 AM

Wellness Break

9:45 AM - 10:00 AM, May 5

10:00 AM

Research Funding Opportunities through the National Science Foundation and National Institutes of Health

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, May 5

Lecture Hall

This session introduces participants to grant funding through the U.S. National Science Foundation. Participants will learn about different types of funding mechanisms, eligibility and the basic components of an NSF proposal. There will be time for Q & A after the speaker's presentation.

Speakers



Erica Hill, PhD, MA
Program Officer
National Science Foundation



Sheila Caldwell, PhD
National Institute of Health

11:05 AM

Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Presentation

11:05 AM - 12:05 PM, May 5

Lecture Hall

We will provide an overview of the AIM-AHEAD machine learning project as well as the of the Data and Research Core, which Jon and Anisha lead.

Speakers



Spero M. Manson

Director

Centers for American Indian and Alaska Native Health, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus



Jon Puro

Principal Strategist for Data Networks
OCHIN, Inc.



Mark Sendak



Anisha Abdul-Ali

Vice President of Data and Population Health
OCHIN



Suresh Balu

12:05 PM

Lunch

- 12:05 PM - 1:00 PM, May 5
- Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Culturally Informed CBPR as a Path to Healing for American Indians and Alaska Natives to Support Minobinmaadziwan: A Good Life

- 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM, May 5
- Lecture Hall

We will present an overview of the collaborative community based participatory research conducted with American Indian Health and Family Services of Southeast Michigan that is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to create suicide and substance use prevention and intervention programs. The projects represent a novel attempt to integrate the strengths of Indigenous approaches, and empirical evidence, in order to create prevention strategies that are both effective and culturally grounded. We utilized community advisory groups comprised of elders and youth, collected data via talking circles, trained staff and community people to be active participants in the research and emphasized the importance of sharing collective knowledge and traditions to strengthen cultural ties and increase resilience.

Speakers



Sandra Momper, PhD, MSW

Associate Professor of Social Work and Evaluation Manager (Jenn)
University of Michigan School of Social Work



Jennifer Hopson

Program Evaluation Manager
University of Michigan

1:50 PM

The Importance of Community Engaged Approaches to Achieve Health Equity for Indigenous Populations

- 1:50 PM - 2:50 PM, May 5
- Lecture Hall

This presentation will focus on the value and importance of using community based participatory research and community engaged approaches to address health disparities among Indigenous populations in the U.S. Several examples of programs will be shared, including HIV/AIDS and substance abuse prevention projects for Native youth.

Speaker



Julie Baldwin, PhD

Regents' Professor and Director
Northern Arizona University

2:50 PM

Wellness Break

2:50 PM - 3:00 PM, May 5

3:00 PM

Culturally Responsive Quality of Life: The Goodness of Life for Every Alaska Native Scale

3:00 PM - 3:45 PM, May 5

Lecture Hall

Quality of life (QOL) is a widely researched construct that represent wellbeing within pertinent life domains, including the physical, emotional, mental, spiritual, social, occupational, and environmental. Despite the large amount of research, conceptualizations of QOL largely focus on health-related determinants of wellness within medical settings (e.g., decision-making), with minimal attention given to holistic, culture-specific domains. While Alaska Native (AN) peoples have rich, vital, and complex histories and cultures, they are scarcely represented within the canon of QOL research. Thus, a quantitative, within-subjects design was used to develop a measure of QOL among AN adults, building on a previous study that identified nine AN QOL domains: family, subsistence, access to resources, health and happiness, traditional knowledge and values, acts of self, providing, sobriety, and healing. Exploratory (n = 250) and confirmatory (n = 250) factor analyses revealed a five-factor interrelated model that demonstrated reliability and validity for the Goodness of Life for Every Alaska Native (GLEAN) Scale. Hierarchical multiple regressions also revealed that the GLEAN Scale accounts for a unique proportion in the variance exceeding other correlated variables of QOL. The development and validation of this measure of QOL can positively impact QOL across multiple settings and has implications for future research.

Speaker



Maria C. Crouch

Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Yale School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry

3:45 PM

Participatory Research Approaches with Indigenous Youth and their Communities

3:45 PM - 4:45 PM, May 5

Lecture Hall

This Presentation will provide an overview of participatory approaches and guiding frameworks applied to youth-focused research with Indigenous communities. Examples of youth-focused research will also be discussed.

Speaker



Vanessa Simonds, ScD (Crow)

Associate Professor
Montana State University

4:45 PM

Closing Remarks (5/5)

4:45 PM - 5:00 PM, May 5

Lecture Hall

Fri, May 06, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 6
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 6
- Seminar Room

9:00 AM

Cultural Humility and Research Rooted in Relationship Workshop

- 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, May 6
 - Seminar Room
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Speakers



Lisa Ellanna
Director
Kawerak Cultural Center



Tanya Wongittilin
Kawerak

12:00 PM

Lunch

- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 6
- Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Tribal Health Poster Session

- 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, May 6
- Seminar Room

2:30 PM

Cultural Activity: Finishing Beaded Fish Skin Badge Reels

- 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM, May 6
 - Seminar Room
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Speaker



Amelia Simeonoff
Program Associate
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

4:00 PM

Closing Ceremony Week 1

- 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM, May 6
- Seminar Room

Alaska Indigenous Research Program

Week 2 Agenda

May 9-13, 2022

2022 Mon, May 09, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 9
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 9
- Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

Welcome Address

- 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM, May 9
- Lecture Hall

Speaker



Abbie Willetto

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

9:15 AM

Introductions & Program Guidance

- 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM, May 9

Speaker



Abbie Willetto
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

10:15 AM

Wellness Break

10:15 AM - 10:30 AM, May 9

10:30 AM

Expanding Indigenous Research Protocols: Pandemic Genomics, Sovereignty, and Data User Agreements (DUAs).

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, May 9

Lecture Hall

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted Indigenous communities worldwide. In this emergency state, many Indigenous Nations contracted with commercial entities and other organization types to conduct rapid diagnostic and antibody testing. They also partnered with public-private enterprises on clinical trials to further the development of vaccines. Indigenous people contributed biological samples for assessment and, in many cases, broadly consented for indefinite use for future genomics research placing Indigenous communities in a position to forego critical review of data use agreement (DUA) by Indigenous governances. In response, a DUA template was created by the Center for Indigenous Cancer Research team at Roswell Park, alongside a cohort of Indigenous attorneys, vetted by a US-based cancer center's legal department, with final approval coming from an inter-tribal community advisory board. Traditional stories of transparency, paired with DUA overview, provides a storyline and template for attendees interested in DUA process with and for tribes, bands, iwis, universities, and cancer centers. A DUA template will be provided to attendees for review, adaptation, and use towards past and prospective work with Indigenous peoples, populations, and governance.

Speaker



Rodney Haring
Roswell Park Center for Indigenous Cancer Research

12:00 PM

Lunch

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 9

Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Research Ethics Training for Health in Indigenous Communities (Part 1)

1:00 PM - 4:15 PM, May 9

Seminar Room

A review of the federal regulations that apply to research with Alaska Native people and our communities.

Speakers



Terry J. M. Powell

Alaska Area Institutional Review Board
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Abbie Willetto

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Karen M. Morgan

Program Manager
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Julie Beans

Researcher
Southcentral Foundation

4:15 PM

Discussion/Closing Remarks

- 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM, May 9
- Seminar Room

Tue, May 10, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 10
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 10
- Seminar Room

9:00 AM

Research Ethics Training for Health in Indigenous Communities (Part 2)

- 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, May 10
- Seminar Room

Speakers



Julie Beans

Researcher
Southcentral Foundation



Abbie Willetto

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Karen M. Morgan

Program Manager
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Terry J. M. Powell

Alaska Area Institutional Review Board
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

12:00 PM

Lunch

- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 10
- Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Small Groups rETHICS Discussion

- 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM, May 10
- Seminar Room

Speaker



Abbie Willetto
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

2:00 PM

Wellness Break

- 2:00 PM - 2:10 PM, May 10

2:10 PM

Cultural Craft: Alutiiq Bracelets

- 2:10 PM - 3:10 PM, May 10
- Seminar Room

Speaker



Amelia Simeonoff
Program Associate
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

3:15 PM

Panel: Tribal Review & Oversight

- 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM, May 10
- Lecture Hall

Will describe Southcentral Foundation's tribal research review process and approval criteria.

Speakers



Denise A. Dillard, PhD
Director of Research
Southcentral Foundation



Jessica Black
Associate Professor
University of Alaska Fairbanks



Joseph Klejka, MD
Corporate Medical Director
Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation



Abbie Willetto
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

4:15 PM

Closing Remarks (5/10)

- 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM, May 10

Wed, May 11, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 11
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 11
- Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

Panel: Best Practices in Working with Tribal Institutional Review Boards

- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM, May 11
- Lecture Hall

Speakers



Yvonne R. Tanape

Administrator, Alaska Area IRB
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Rachael Tracy

Research Director and Chair, IHS National Institutional Review Board
Indian Health Service



Terry J. M. Powell

Alaska Area Institutional Review Board
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

10:00 AM

Wellness Break

- 10:00 AM - 10:10 AM, May 11

10:10 AM

Panel: Best Practices in Working with Alaska's University Institutional Review Boards

- 10:10 AM - 11:10 AM, May 11
- Lecture Hall

Panelist



R. David Parker, PhD

Professor & Chair, Institutional Review Board
University of Alaska Anchorage



Cassie Pinkel

Research Integrity Administrator
University of Alaska Fairbanks



James Temte, MA

ANTHC/APU Project Manager
Alaska Pacific University

11:10 AM

Plants as Food and Medicine Nature Walk

- 11:10 AM - 12:10 PM, May 11
- Outside of Carr Gottstein Building

Walkabout and discuss traditional plants as food and medicine.

Speaker



Meda DeWitt, MA, TH
Ethnoherbalist
Lingit

12:10 PM

Lunch

- 12:10 PM - 1:10 PM, May 11
- Atwood Center

1:10 PM

Indigenous Evaluation: Reclaiming the Narrative (Part 1)

- 1:10 PM - 4:15 PM, May 11
- Seminar Room

Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI) recognizes evaluation as an Indigenous value and has created an Indigenous evaluation framework that is inclusive of American Indians and Alaska Natives living in both urban and tribal settings. This framework includes the core values of decolonizing data, centering of community, resiliency and strength-based, and the recognition that community is created wherever Indigenous people are. The goal is to use evaluation as a tool that lifts the stories of our Indigenous communities, recognizes the interconnectedness with our environment, highlights the importance of Indigenous ways of knowing, and pushes back on the colonized scripts that often seek to erase Native identities and histories. This workshop will highlight some aspects of the framework, encourage participants to think through how this could be applied in their own communities, and provide concrete examples of ways to implement Indigenous evaluation in our communities.

Speakers



Daysha Gunther, MPH
Evaluator I
Urban Indian Health Institute



Martell Hesketh, MPH
Evaluator II
Urban Indian Health Institute

4:15 PM

Closing Remarks (5/11)

- 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM, May 11
- Seminar Room

Thu, May 12, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 12
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 12
- Seminar Room

9:00 AM

Indigenous Evaluation: Reclaiming the Narrative (Part 2)

- 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, May 12
- Seminar Room

Join us for the second half of our Indigenous Evaluation workshop! Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI) recognizes evaluation as an Indigenous value and has created an Indigenous evaluation framework that is inclusive of American Indians and Alaska Natives living in both urban and tribal settings. This framework includes the core values of decolonizing data, centering of community, resiliency and strength-based, and the recognition that community is created wherever Indigenous people are. The goal is to use evaluation as a tool that lifts the stories of our Indigenous communities, recognizes the interconnectedness with our environment, highlights the importance of Indigenous ways of knowing, and pushes back on the colonized scripts that often seek to erase Native identities and histories. This workshop will highlight some aspects of the framework, encourage participants to think through how this could be applied in their own communities, and provide concrete examples of ways to implement Indigenous evaluation in our communities.

Speakers



Daysha Gunther, MPH
Evaluator I
Urban Indian Health Institute



Martell Hesketh, MPH
Evaluator II
Urban Indian Health Institute

12:00 PM

Lunch

- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 12
- Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Biotechnology, Intellectual Property & Indigenous Rights

- 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM, May 12
 - Lecture Hall
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Speaker



Debra Harry, PhD
Associate Professor Indigenous Studies, Department of Gender, Race, and Identity
University of Nevada, Reno

2:00 PM

Networking Activity

- 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM, May 12
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Speaker



Abbie Willetto
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

2:45 PM

Equitable Research Partnerships with Alaska Native Communities

- 2:45 PM - 4:15 PM, May 12
- Lecture Hall

Sister-collaborators Corina Qaaḡraq Kramer and Cana Uluak Itchuaqiyaaq will discuss what they've learned about respectful and equitable partnerships between universities and Alaska Native communities.

Speakers



Corina Kramer
Director of Operations
Robert Aqqaluk Newlin Sr. Memorial Trust



Cana Uluak Itchuaqiyag, PhD
Professional & Technical Writing
Virginia Tech, Assistant Professor

4:15 PM

Closing Remarks (5/12)

- 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM, May 12
- Lecture Hall

Fri, May 13, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 13
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 13
- Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

At the Speed of Trust: Building Tribal and Federal Relationships in Health Research

- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM, May 13
- Lecture Hall

Speakers



Mose Herne, MPH, MS
THRO Senior Advisor



Juliana Blome
Deputy Director
NIH Tribal Health Research Office

10:00 AM

Wellness Break

- 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM, May 13

10:15 AM

Ethics in Biobanking - The Alaska Area Specimen Bank

- 10:15 AM - 11:30 AM, May 13
- Lecture Hall

The Alaska Area Specimen Bank is a tribal-federal partnership with a unique and long history in Alaska. I will be presenting on the history and formation of the Alaska Area Specimen Bank Policy document, the vision and mission of the AASB, and the key ethical principles of operation that continue to today. My goal is to share ethics in biobanking from the perspective of the AASB and have plenty of time for questions and dialogue.

Speakers



Helen Morrin

Biobank Curator
University of Otago Christchurch | Te Whare Wānanga o Ōtāgo ki Ōtautahi



Brenna Simons, PhD

Director, Laboratory and Alaska Area Specimen Bank
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

11:30 AM

Lunch

- 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, May 13
- Atwood Center

12:30 PM

Showing Respect and Humility in Indigenous Research Relationships

- 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM, May 13
- Seminar Room

Speaker



Vanessa Hiratsuka

Co-Director of Research & Evaluation; Assistant Professor
University of Alaska Anchorage, Center for Human Development

2:00 PM

Wellness Break

- 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM, May 13

2:30 PM

Panel: Center for the Ethics of Indigenous Genomic Research

- 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM, May 13
- Lecture Hall

"Indigenous perspectives on unrestricted access to genomic data"

The High Stakes of the Big Data Science for the Amerindigenous

Alaska Natives/American Indians suffer from higher rates of several conditions like diabetes, chronic kidney disease, cardiovascular disease and disproportionate exposures to metals and/or other toxic environmental hazards. Those in the rest of the Americas (Latin Indigenous) and Polynesia show remarkably similar health risk profiles despite not having a common ancestry. This demonstrates that exposure to colonization has had long-lasting systemic effects. Few researchers or institutions have explained the complex interactions of genes, environment and social history to Community Decision Makers. Nor have they tried to broker, in any meaningful way, the disconnect between funders and service providers. "Check-box" engagements are being used as a 'patch' to true community engagement with Tribal leaders and community members all represented equally at the table. This work shows the partnership between CEIGR and the Native BioData Consortium as an example of building the engagements and policies to empower and protect Native people.

Speakers



Jessica Blanchard, PhD

Senior Research Scientist
University of Oklahoma Center for Applied Social Research



Dalaki Livingston

Research Scientist
University of Oklahoma



Joe Yracheta, Native BioData Consortium

NBDC



Julie Beans

Researcher
Southcentral Foundation



Tai Helton

Professor of Law
University of Oklahoma

4:00 PM

Closing Remarks (5/13)

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM, May 13

Sat, May 14, 2022

Sun, May 15, 2022

Mon, May 16, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 16
 Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 16
 Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

Welcome Address

9:00 AM - 9:15 AM, May 16
 Lecture Hall

Speaker



James Temte, MA

ANTHC/APU Project Manager
Alaska Pacific University

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Introductions & Program Guidance

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Abbie Willetto
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

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Documentary: <https://youtu.be/OkXTS9dSmDM>

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Speaker



Karli Tyance Hassell
Indigenous Engagement Coordinator
Alaska Pacific University

12:00 PM

Lunch

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 16
 Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Indigenous Ways of Knowing

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM, May 16

Lecture Hall

Speaker



Abbie Willetto

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

2:00 PM

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Cultural Craft: Beaded Badge Reel

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Speaker



Amelia Simeonoff

Program Associate
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

3:20 PM

Two-Eyed Seeing: A space for reciprocity and interconnectedness

3:20 PM - 4:20 PM, May 16

Lecture Hall

Speaker



Karli Tyance Hassell

Indigenous Engagement Coordinator
Alaska Pacific University

4:20 PM

Closing Remarks (5/16)

4:20 PM - 4:30 PM, May 16

Lecture Hall

Tue, May 17, 2022

8:00 AM

Breakfast

8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 17

Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 17

Seminar Room

9:00 AM

Decolonizing How We Relate to Research, Engagement, and Valuable Knowledge

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, May 17

Lecture Hall

A principle of restorative practice that I've come to learn from Indigenous Peoples around the world, is that one of our earliest steps in restoring relationships requires us to acknowledge harm: what it looks like, its consequences, and our roles in it.

This workshop will explore knowledge that can support us in understanding how colonialism and capitalism have shaped the stories and narratives that direct, or restrict, our relationships to academia, engagement, and valuable knowledge.

We'll cover the following questions in our time together:

- *What are ways that capitalism and colonialism shape our relationship to academia, engagement, and what we understand as valuable knowledge?*
- *What are relational success criteria? How does my worldview shape this criteria?*
- *What are concrete ways we can inform our academic pursuits with relational success criteria moving forward?*

In presenting this knowledge of the past and its role in shaping our current academic narratives, participants have the opportunity to build their capacity to contribute to the future of research in sustainable, localized, and decolonized ways.

Anti-racist, accessibility, and trauma and healing-informed lenses will direct how this presentation is developed and facilitated.

"Yesterday is for learning from, not reliving." - Casey Eaglespeaker, Blackfoot Elder from Kainai Nation / Blood Tribe

Speaker



Larissa Crawford (she/elle)

Managing Director, Founder
Future Ancestors Services

12:00 PM

Lunch

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Good Practices for Developing a Literature Review

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Stephanie Morgan

Associate Professor of Psychology
Alaska Pacific University

2:00 PM

Networking Activity

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Speakers



Abbie Willetto

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Gretchen Day

Biostatistician
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

2:45 PM

How to Develop a Research Proposal

- 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM, May 17
- Seminar Room

This presentation will cover how to develop a research proposal, including selecting a topic, conducting a literature review, proposal elements and considerations for designing a research proposal, and tips for writing successful proposals.

Speaker



Diana Redwood, PhD

Senior Epidemiologist
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

3:45 PM

Small Groups Research Proposal Discussion

- 3:45 PM - 4:20 PM, May 17
- Seminar Room

Speakers



Elizabeth Ferucci, MD, MPH

Rheumatologist/Medical Researcher
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Gretchen Day

Biostatistician
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Diana Redwood, PhD

Senior Epidemiologist
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



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Associate Professor of Psychology
Alaska Pacific University

4:20 PM

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8:00 AM

Breakfast

- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 18
- Carrs-Gottstein Lobby

8:45 AM

Opening/Blessing

- 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM, May 18
- Lecture Hall

9:00 AM

Alaska Native Peoples and Cultures

- 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, May 18
- Lecture Hall

Speaker



Yaari Walker
Alaska Native Heritage Center

10:15 AM

Wellness Break

10:15 AM - 10:30 AM, May 18

10:30 AM

Decolonize Your Mind

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, May 18

Lecture Hall

Speaker



Maaruk Warren Jones

12:00 PM

Lunch w/ Kingikmiut Dance Performance

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 18

Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Alaska Blanket Exercise

1:00 PM - 4:15 PM, May 18

Student Leadership Center

Speakers



Rebecca Ervin
Behavioral Health Aide III
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Trish Franco
Behavioral Health
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

4:15 PM

Closing Remarks (5/18)

4:15 PM - 4:30 PM, May 18

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8:00 AM

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8:00 AM - 8:45 AM, May 19

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Study Design, Data and Analysis

- 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM, May 19
- Seminar Room

Speakers



Gretchen Day
Biostatistician
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium



Kristen Mitchell
Senior Program Manager
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

10:15 AM

Wellness Break

- 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM, May 19

10:30 AM

Introduction to Research Ethics

- 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, May 19
- Seminar Room

This session in Week 3 of AKIRP will provide background on federal regulations for research review including insituttional review boards (IRBs), as well as tribal research review. It will follow the session on study design and focus on how considering research ethics influences the design of research studies.

Speaker



Elizabeth Ferucci, MD, MPH
Rheumatologist/Medical Researcher
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

12:00 PM

Lunch

- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 19
- Atwood Center

1:00 PM

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Amelia Simeonoff
Program Associate
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

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3:20 PM

How to Become Resilient Scientists

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□ Lecture Hall

□ **Panelist**



Madilyn Short

Medical student
University of Washington School of Medicine



Audrey Juliussen

University of Washington School of Medicine



Sarah Rasmussen-Rehkopf

Medical Student
University of Washington School of Medicine

4:20 PM

Closing Remarks (5/19)

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Fri, May 20, 2022

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Amy Modig

Elder
49 Days of Ceremony



Doug Modig

Elder

10:15 AM

Wellness Break

□ 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM, May 20

10:30 AM

Aunties and Uncles Research Talk

- 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, May 20
- Lecture Hall

Kyle will share some of the experiences that led him to a career in research, including growing up in rural Alaska in a traditional Tlingit village, skills he developed in college, opportunities he explored in graduate school, and lessons learned on the job as a professional researcher over the last decade. Topics covered will include Indigenous Research Methodologies, ethnographic fieldwork, archival research, and team science. He will also briefly discuss his Anthropology MA Thesis, which explored the colonial history of alcohol among his Tlingit people, and the topic of autoethnography.

Speakers



Zoe Mercurieff, MBA

Policy Advisor
Alaska Native Health Board



L'aakaw Eesh Kyle Wark

Researcher
Southcentral Foundation



Karli Tyance Hassell

Indigenous Engagement Coordinator
Alaska Pacific University



Jordan Lewis

Associate Director, Professor
Memory Keepers Medical Discovery Team, University of Minnesota Medical School, Duluth campus

12:00 PM

Lunch

- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, May 20
- Atwood Center

1:00 PM

Poster Session/Networking

- 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, May 20
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2:30 PM

Career and Resources Fair

- 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM, May 20
- Seminar Room

4:00 PM

Closing Ceremony Week 3

- 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM, May 20
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Carrs-Gottstein Lobby



8:45 am-9:00 am

Opening/Blessing

Lecture Hall



9:00 am-9:15 am

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Lecture Hall

• **James Temte, MA**, ANTHC/APU Project Manager, Alaska Pacific University



9:15 am-10:15 am

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Breakfast










Care Cottages Lobby





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