



Language, Literature and Communication

Nov. 11, 2006

Shelley Hanson
Director
Spirit Mountain Community Fund
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Dear Ms. Hanson:

I hope the enclosed document speaks volumes for Lane Community College's commitment to American Indian Studies and to an infrastructure that supports Native students.

The Longhouse is a physical representation of the promise the college has given to the Indian communities, that they will have a housing for ceremonies, academic gatherings, and other events/projects relevant to Native interests.

Such a worthy project is of course expensive. Many individuals and departments/programs/organizations within and outside LCC have given generously in time, effort, and money to the Longhouse Foundation.

I add my name to the many that implore you to help complete the dream of a Longhouse for the current generations and those to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol Watt".

Carol Watt

English Instructor and six-year committee member of the American Indian Languages Program

encl: "American Indian Studies and Services at Lane Community College"

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Classes

Foundations of American Indian Languages (AIL) 100: Foundations of American Indian Languages. Janne Underriner, 463-5481 or Jerry Hall, 463-5084.

American Indian Languages (AIL) 101, 102, 103. Guided by fluent-speaking mentors of the Grand Ronde tribe of Oregon and Lane staff, Chinuk Wawa is offered as a three-term sequence. Janne Underriner, 463-5481, and current AIL committee: Susan Carkin, James Florendo, Jerry Hall, Jeff Harrison, Janne Underriner, Drew Viles, and Carol Watt

American Indian Studies (ANTH 231, 232, 233). Study the peoples and cultures indigenous to the U.S. with a three-term sequence. Don Addison, 344-4758, or Bruce Sanchez, 463-3248.

Co-op Ed: American Indian Languages (AIL 280). Field study in community organizations for students to gain contextual knowledge of Native languages. Tamara Pinkas, 463-5011.

Ecotrails (BI 103G and WR122) and Reconnecting with Nature (BI 103G, REL243 and PS297). Learning communities that study ecology, writing, religion and political action. Ellen Cantor, 463-5748, Jerry Hall, 463-5084, Clif Trolin, 463-5834 or Stan Taylor, 463-5820.

Global Ecology (BI 103 G). A biology class that examines nature through Indian eyes and Western science. Jerry Hall, 463-5084.

Native American Experience (ES 241, 242, 243). Study the history of the native experience in the U.S. through a three-term sequence. Don Addison, 344-4758.

Native Circles (CG 199C). Learn how to achieve your college goals and maintain native culture and values. James Florendo, 463-5238.

Non-European Native American Literature (ENG 231, 232). Study the oral traditions and written literature of Native American cultures. Drew Viles, 463-5480.

Rites of Passage: Umista. A Summer Academy for Native American youth. Don Addison, 344-4758, or Greg Evans, 463-5340.

Thinking "Indian" (ANTH 231-232-233, WR 121-122-123); What is "thinking 'Indian'"? Explore this topic by combining classes in writing and American Indian Studies. Don Addison, 344-4758, or Jeff Harrison, 463-5145.

Voices and Visions: Native American Autobiography and Culture (ANTH 232, ENG 243). Study life stories of Plains and Southwest Indians through linked classes in literature and anthropology. Pam Dane, 463-5146, or Bruce Sanchez, 463-3248.

Programs, Information, Organizations, and the New Long House

American Indian Web Site. For a wealth of information and connections related to American Indians, go to www.lanecc.edu/library/indian.htm. Don Macnaughtan, 463-5359.

Ethnic Studies. This program at Lane focuses on the study of structural inequality in the U.S. Michael Sámano, 463-5186.

Long House. plans are completed and the land dedicated, but funding still needed to build an American Indian long house on campus for Native programs and activities. James Florendo, the Director of Native American programs, 463-5238.

Native American Program. A program dedicated to counseling Lane's American Indian students. James Florendo, the Director of Native American programs, 463-5238.

Native American Student Association. An American Indian student organization that fosters traditional values and unity among students. James Florendo, 463-5238.