



ITEPP NAME CHANGE

The name of the *Indian Teacher & Educational Personnel Program* was officially changed to the *Indian Tribal & Educational Personnel Program* beginning February 1, 2013. ITEPP has included and served students in all majors in the College of Professional Studies and the College of Arts & Humanities for quite some time. The word *teacher* in the name was cause for confusion on the goals and services provided by ITEPP. For recruiting purposes when the word "teacher" comes up, students who are not going into teaching immediately say that they are not going into teaching and tune ITEPP out. The new name change aligns with the current ITEPP practices and services provided to students.

ITEPP INTERIM DIRECTOR

Laura Lee George has been the Interim ITEPP Director since December 1, 2012. She is a "retired annuitant" having served ITEPP in the past as both Student Services Coordinator and program Director for over 16 years. Laura Lee retired from Humboldt State University in 2000. She then worked for the Klamath-Trinity Joint Unified School District as the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services from 2000 until 2006. During the 2005-06 school year, she also served as Acting Superintendent. She says, "I was perfectly happy and content being retired when I received a call from HSU requesting my services. ITEPP has always been dear to my heart as it gave me my start as a professional in Indian education."

PHIL ZASTROW RETIRES

After 17 years of service to ITEPP and Humboldt State University, Phil stepped down as Director and entered the ranks of the retired. Phil was surprised with a "birthday/retirement" party on February 7th with many students and friends wishing him well in his new retired status. Thank you Phil! Your services to ITEPP and students are memorable and appreciated.



Laura Lee George, Interim ITEPP Director; Vince Feliz; & Phil Zastrow, Retiring ITEPP Director

52 ITEPP STUDENTS SPRING SEMESTER

With over 52 students in ITEPP for Spring 2013 semester, the Brero House #93 is overflowing with student energy. The student workstations are in use both during the day and into the evenings. Six students provide student assistant services (reception, mail log, phone, Resource Center log-in & out, etc.) helping to keep the ITEPP house orderly.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ITEPP STUDENT

CONOR HANDLEY

“It was tiring and cold and scary at times,” says Handley, who was one of hundreds of Native Americans from around the country to participate in the Peace and Dignity Journey, a national event held every four years to raise Native American awareness. “For me, it was all about reconnecting with my culture.” From May to December, Handley and about 20 others covered 6,000-miles by foot—averaging between 50 to 80 miles a day—from Chickaloon, Alaska to Uaxactun, Guatemala.

They got help from support vehicles and visited Native American communities along the way. During the six-month trip, runners carried ceremonial staffs representing different communities. Handley and his ancestors are members of the Yavapai and Yaki tribes of Arizona. But for the trip, he officially represented the Kumeyaay—the tribe from his hometown of San Diego. Before joining the run, Handley had to receive approval from his tribal elders. “Because of the necessary physical and mental energy, not everyone can participate,” he explains.” Handley returned to the United States in December and began his sophomore year this semester. “Doing something like this, you change as a person,” he explains. “I didn’t have much focus before and now I’m interested in tribal environmental policy and helping Native people better manage their land.”

GRADS DONATE TO ITEPP

A faithful ITEPP graduate from 1971, Jeanine Henderson-Hodges, has pledged \$1,500 to ITEPP over a 3-year period. Jeanine and her husband Stephan Hodges (HSU Grad 1973) have consistently donated to ITEPP since 1991. Their support has enabled ITEPP to support current student events and add books and materials to the Curriculum Resource Center.



Conor Handley in Red

ITEPP STAFF

ITEPP Student Services & Curriculum Resource Center Coordinator, Marlette Grant-Jackson is currently the only full-time employee at ITEPP. Laura Lee George is the half-time Interim Director, and Janice Mueller is the half-time Administrative Assistant. ITEPP is currently advertising for a half-time student advisor.

Humboldt State University is currently planning a merger of the Indian programs on campus. Since the severe on-going budget cuts to the CSU system over the past several years, programs on campus have seen their budgets and staffing cut. Some programs have been discontinued. By merging the Indian programs, they should be more efficient with joined staffing and resources.

NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

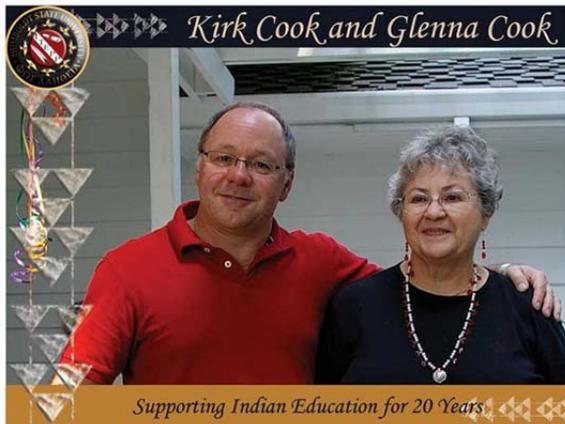
ITEPP grad, Shaunna McCovey, Indigenous Affairs Marine Planning Associate for Ecotrust in Portland is working with HSU Advancement in setting up new scholarships for tribally enrolled American Indian students at HSU. Thank you Shaunna!

MORE NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

There are twenty new \$1,000 scholarships available for Native American undergraduate and graduate students of Social Work. Applications are being accepted from February 1, 2013 to May 31, 2013. This new scholarship has been developed by the National Association of Social Workers California Chapter. If not for the amazing work of Social Work BA student, Merris Obie, this would never have come to be. There are twenty \$1,000 scholarships available for Native American undergraduate and graduate students of Social Work.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

The ITEPP website includes the *Maggie Griffin Scholarship* made possible by Bob and Glenna Cook. The Cook family has supported ITEPP and scholarships for Yurok students for many years. Thank you!



The *Ronda Marshall Memorial Scholarship* was set up for ITEPP students in honor of the ITEPP graduate and outstanding teacher. Ronda taught at Hoopa Elementary School and was a dynamic teacher who initiated the 1st Fish Fair at Hoopa. This annual event has grown into a dynamic cultural science learning experience with students and dignitaries attending from many places.

Please check the ITEPP website for more information on scholarships and applications.

HSU TO CELEBRATE 100TH YEAR

Starting with the upcoming 2013-14 academic year, Humboldt State University will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. To add to the celebrations, ITEPP is planning two projects to help celebrate. The *first* is a short video documentary of ITEPP grads, former directors, and coordinators. So you grads out there if you would be willing to participate, please call Laura Lee at 707 826-5197 or send an email to lgl1@humboldt.edu. We are looking for short commentary on your experience at ITEPP. What did ITEPP do for you?

The *second* project is to assemble documents from our archives and post on Humboldt's Digital Scholar website. This includes old newsletters, photos, handbooks, and other memorabilia. ITEPP has 44 years of memorable and positive contributions to add to the 100th Anniversary celebrations.

DEADLINE REMINDERS

New students who plan on living in the dorms apply **March 4th thru April 16th**, on a first come first serve basis, including paid deposits and signed contracts. There are 16 beds in the co-ed Native Living Suite.

Upper Division transfer students for fall 2013 have a **February 28th** application deadline.

