News, events, updates, opportunities... everything and anything related to AILDI and native languages.

*ATTENTION: Please note that the University of Arizona winter closure takes place from December 23rd, 2019 to January 1st, 2020. AILDI offices will be closed on December 19th, 2019 and reopening on January 2nd, 2020.

Featured News

Celebrate and Support
AILDI's 40th Anniversary with a $40 Gift this Season

We are asking for your generous donation of $40 to commemorate 40 years of AILDI

In 2019, AILDI celebrated its 40th year anniversary.

Continue the legacy by supporting the next generation of AILDI students and language advocates with a gift of $40 this giving season.

All donations go towards AILDI scholarships and any amount -- however big or small -- is welcome.

If you have ever attended AILDI, you know its value. Honor your experience by giving back today!

Click here to donate

AILDI 2020 Theme & Courses
University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ  
*July 6th, 2020 - July 31st, 2020*

The AILDI 2020 theme is *Telling our Language Stories: Documenting the Work We Do.* Courses will focus on documentation methods for language use and teaching. AILDI 2020 will take place from *Monday, July 6th, 2020 to Friday, July 31st 2020.*

Coursework outlines are provided below, and instructor information with schedules are soon to follow.

**AILDI 2020 Courses**

**LING 427/527: LINGUISTICS FOR NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITIES** (3 units)  
Introduction to Linguistics for Native American Communities  
Instructor: Joe Dupris

**ENG 477/577: NATIVE AMERICAN LITERATURE** (3 units)  
Studies of and in Native American Literature  
Instructor: TBD

**TLS 495A/595: INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE EDUCATION ISSUES** (3 units)  
Topics and Issues in Language, Reading, and Culture  
Instructor: TBD

**LING 421/521: MASTER APPRENTICE IMMERSION METHODS** (3 UNITS)  
Language Maintenance, Preservation, and Revitalization  
Instructor: Stanley Rodriguez

**LING 497B/597B: DE-MYSTIFYING DOCUMENTATION** (3 UNITS)  
Workshop in Language Documentation  
Instructors: TBD

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**Coming Soon**

Indigenous Language Program Directory Highlights

Submit information about your language program to our [directory](#) and be featured on our website and newsletter!

In 2020, AILDI will be highlighting Indigenous language programs, projects, schools, teachers, student, and advocates across North America from our online directory through featured stories on our website and newsletter.

The directory is designed to provide a brief overview of some of the goals and accomplishments of Indigenous language programs and projects. All are welcome to contribute to the directory, regardless of whether you have attended an AILDI session or not.

For more information and to submit to our directory, please click [here](#).
Past Events

IYIL Tribal Panel
Our Language, Our Life: Tribal Language Departments and Language Revitalization

WOW Library, College of Education, Room 453, Tucson, AZ
Friday, December 6th 2019, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

AILDI closed out the International Year of Indigenous Languages by presenting a panel on community-driven language revitalization work. Panelists shared successes and challenges. Our speakers included: Anthony Gray from the Gila River Indian Community, Beatrice Lee from the San Carlos Apache Tribe, and Daniel Vega from the Pascua Yaqui Indian Tribe.

Thank you to all of those who came out!

Upcoming Events & Conferences

Spring & Summer 2020
MLD, SAIL, CoLang, and More

International Mother Language Day

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Friday, February 21st 2020

We are excited to announce that AILDI will be celebrating International Mother Language Day (IMLD) with an event on February 21st, 2020! Details to follow.
Symposium for American Indian Languages

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
April 17th & 18th, 2020

The Symposium for American Indian Languages (SAIL) will take place on Friday, April 17th and Saturday, April 18th of 2020! SAIL is dedicated to discussion of the documentation & description, language conservation and revitalization of the native languages of the Americas. You won’t want to miss it!

Institute on Collaborative Language Research

University of Montana & Chief Dull Knife College
Missoula, Montana
Workshops: June 15—26, 2020
Practica: June 29—July 17, 2020

This is one of many reminders that COLANG 2020 will be held at the University of Montana and Chief Dull Knife College next summer.

Puliima Workshop with Daryn McKenny

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Dates TBD

Daryn McKenny from the Puliima Indigneous Language and Technology Conference will be here to give a workshop in April of 2020. Details to follow.

Learn more about COLANG 2020 here

Learn more about SAIL and the upcoming symposium

Puliima Indigenous Language and Technology Conference