AILDI news & updates

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

Our Website

*ATTENTION: AILDI Alumni! Don’t forget to fill out your AILDI Reflections Survey ... your feedback about our summer programs is important to us! For another survey, please contact us @ coe-aildi@email.arizona.edu

COVID-19 Resources & AILDI Summer 2020 Updates

In light of current events surrounding COVID-19

AILDI SUMMER 2020 WILL GO ONLINE
to protect the safety of our students and instructors

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to ensure the health and safety of our students and instructors, AILDI has made the decision to offer the summer session courses on-line. If you think this may compromise your decision or ability to participate this summer, please let us know. We will inform you of any changes to our course offerings and general information about what to expect in the upcoming weeks.

Moving summer coursework online will not affect the registration process, which requires students to pre-register with AILDI before applying to the University of
Arizona as either an undergraduate non-degree seeking student or as a graduate non-degree seeking student. Tuition for online classes will remain the same. The dates for the summer session 2020 have been scheduled for July 6-31.

To register, please visit the following links:

AILDI Pre-registration

&

University of Arizona Undergraduate Summer Application

or

University of Arizona Graduate Summer Application

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**COVID-19 Safety, Information, & Resources**

Here are just a few of the many resources that exist to help keep you, your loved ones, and your community safe, informed, and healthy:

- CDC Coronavirus Website
- COVID-19 Pandemic Preparedness Plan PDF
- CDC Mitigation Strategies for Communities
- COVID Guide for Communities and Local Decision Makers
- Indian Health Service Announcement & Response
- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security Act (CARES)
- Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Interactive Map

Also, be sure to check out this compilation of inspirational stories curated by the American Indian Policy Institute at ASU highlighting Indigenous community resilience in the face of the pandemic:

https://aipi.asu.edu/content/curated-selection-indian-country-stories-resilience
University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ  

The theme for AILDI 2020 is Telling Our Language Journey Stories: Documenting the Language Work We Do.

Discover how language documentation can affirm the life-giving qualities our Native languages provide at the 2020 AILDI summer session. Through our courses and guest lectures, you will learn how to record the vitality of your language (audio, video), write about your own experiences with language revitalization, learn basic linguistics related to your language, create teaching materials and engage in different methods of language learning using the Master/Apprentice model and your own cultural practices.

For more information about the 2020 summer session online, click here.

AILDI 2020 Online Courses*

*Please note that some of these course titles and offerings are susceptible to change as summer instruction transitions to online learning

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

ENG 477/577: WRITING ABOUT OUR LANGUAGE WORK (3 units)  
Studies of and in Native American Literature  
Instructor: Ofelia Zepeda

TLS 495A/595: EMBODYING OUR INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES THROUGH HULA (DANCE), MELE (SONG), AND OLI (CHANT) (3 units)  
Topics and Issues in Language, Reading, and Culture  
Instructor: Candace Kaleimamoowahinekapu Galla

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  
Instructor: Adrienne Tsikewa

Workshop & Event Cancellations
Workshop & Event Cancellations, Changes, & Notices

Please note that the following events have been cancelled:

Symposium for American Indian Languages
University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

*CANCELLED

Here is a note from Dr. Wilson de Lima Silva on behalf of the SAIL Organizing Committee:

"Due to concerns around the coronavirus (COVID-19), the SAIL 2020 Planning Committee has decided to cancel the physical events that comprise SAIL 2020 at the University of Arizona. Our foremost concern is the well-being of SAIL participants. As you know, many SAIL attendees are Native people of the Americas, many of whom are elders and language keepers, and scholars working directly with Native communities. It would be a disservice to put Native communities (and thus the languages SAIL is dedicated to preserving, revitalizing, and documenting) at risk by exposure (directly or indirectly) to this virus.

Best,
Wilson

Click here to learn more about SAIL

Institute on Collaborative Language Research
University of Montana & Chief Dull Knife College Missoula, Montana

*CANCELLED

Here is a note from the COLANG website:

"After careful consideration, we have arrived at the difficult decision to cancel CoLang 2020. Due to the rapidly changing situation with COVID-19 in the United States and around the world, we believe that the risk is too great to continue with the Institute as planned. We want to sincerely thank all of you who have worked with us on building CoLang2020, and hope to be able to continue to collaborate in the future."

Updated 3/18/20.

Learn more about COLANG here

Workshop with Daryn McKenny
Tohono O'Odham Community College, Sells, AZ

*CANCELLED

This workshop will be cancelled until further notice.
Ongoing Projects

Check out and submit to
AILDI's Indigenous Language Program Directory
*with an interactive map & language program highlights*

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

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, newsletter, and interactive map.

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.

We are also looking for language stories to share with our friends, family, and colleagues on a blog linked to the directory. If you have a language story you would be willing to share, please reach out and let us know.

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

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Win a book of poetry signed by Ofelia Zepeda

AILDI Alumni Reflections Survey & Giveaway Round Two

*Second round in progress...*

For giving us feedback about our summer programs, one lucky winner was randomly selected to receive an AILDI drawstring bag and a book of Tohono O’odham and Pima poetry edited and signed by Ofelia Zepeda! The title of the collection is *mat hekid o ju when it rains*.

Thank you to all of those who submitted feedback via our survey. Your opinions matter and help us to assess and plan our
While the first wave has passed, it’s not too late to submit. We will be holding a second giveaway of the same items. Participants make themselves eligible by submitting feedback via our survey, and winners will be chosen at random after the deadline.

The next deadline for submission is:

April 9th, 2020

Your contributions matter

Support Indigenous Language Stewards at AILDI

with a donation towards student scholarships

Thank you for supporting the next generation of Indigenous language activists, teachers, and scholars.

Support from our friends and allies go a long way in making AILDI possible for future generations of students, teachers, community members, and activists.

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