June 2019

The theme for AILDI Summer 2019 acknowledged that speaking one’s heritage language is as essential as the elements of life.

First day AILDI Summer 2019

...A highlight of the AILDI summer program was a symposium that celebrated AILDI’s 40 years of Language Education

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The Gila River Indian Community experienced the following AILDI workshop from July 8-11, 2019: "Re-Membering Ourselves to Land & Place ~ Restoring Good Relations". Language and culture educators were introduced to immersion methodology. Read more...

At the end of July, AILDI offered a Grant Writing Workshop for the National Science Foundation for the Documenting Endangered Languages (DEL) Program. Colleen Fitzgerald, former program officer for the NSF DEL program, led the workshop. Fitzgerald walked participants through each step of the proposal submission process. Merit review criteria was particularly emphasized and participants were able to draft statements that spoke to “intellectual merit” and “broader impacts”. Read more...