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SHARING OUR STORIES

It's that time of year again. The leaves are changing and the air is crisp and cool. The campus is buzzing with student activity. As we say so long to summer, we reflect on the time that has passed and look forward to the changes that the new year brings.

Welcome NITEP-ers! Whether you are just joining us or returning, you are a part of the NITEP family and on the path to obtain Quality Aboriginal Teacher Education!

As you can see we have some new faces among the NITEP staff. We look forward to supporting you on your educational journey.



Back Row L-R: Jessica Jarrette (Assistant Director), Karen Blain (Kamloops Coordinator), Saylesh Wesley (Chilliwack Coordinator), Dr. Mark Aquash (Director), Natalie Simkin (Secretary)

Front Row L-R: Linda Williams (Financial Clerk), Stephanie Stephens (Interim Duncan Coordinator), Lucetta George-Grant (Yr. 3, 4, 5 Coordinator), Marny Point (Urban Coordinator)

Don't forget to check out NITEP's Facebook group!

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/group.php?gid=26175175544>

Join today and stay updated on NITEP news and events!



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NITEP LOCATIONS 2010 - 2011

- > UBC, Vancouver (urban and on-campus)
- > Kamloops NITEP Centre
- > Duncan NITEP Centre
- > Chilliwack NITEP Centre





FACULTY OF EDUCATION – NITEP Native Indian Teacher Education Program

NITEP IS A UBC BACHELOR OF EDUCATION PROGRAM (ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY). NITEP BUILDS UPON ABORIGINAL IDENTITY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE WHILE PREPARING AND CHALLENGING PERSONS OF ABORIGINAL ANCESTRY TO BE EFFECTIVE EDUCATORS FOR PUBLIC, BAND AND INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS. STUDENTS MAY COMPLETE EITHER A BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY) OR A BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SECONDARY).

Applicants who qualify for NITEP first complete two years of courses at one of the field centres located at Chilliwack, Duncan, Kamloops, or at an urban focus centre at UBC in Vancouver. NITEP includes similar requirements for both liberal education and pedagogical preparation for those set for elementary and secondary teaching. The course sequence, however, is different. Field centre students complete arts and/or science courses that relate to elementary or secondary school subjects, education courses, and educational field placements. Following their work at the off-campus field centres, the students transfer to the UBC Vancouver campus to complete the remaining years of their degree requirements.



NITEP candidates are awarded the Bachelor of Education (Elementary) degree or the Bachelor of Education (Secondary) degree and apply to the British Columbia College of Teachers for a Professional Teaching Certificate when they have completed all program requirements.

Candidates in the elementary option may qualify for a British Columbia Standard Teaching Certificate after completing a minimum of 128 credits with a 65% average (all practica and all courses set for Years 1- 4). To qualify for either the elementary or secondary degree, a candidate must complete all requirements within 10 years of initial registration in the program. The elementary program may be completed in 5 academic years, and the secondary program may be completed in 5 academic years plus a required summer session. However, many students in both programs choose to take courses during summer sessions.

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The theme of this month's newsletter, like the NITEP Gathering, is
"Sharing Our Stories"

The next few pages are filled with pictures from the Gathering and each picture tells a story.

NITEP students and staff traveled from the field centres to gather at the UBC Longhouse for a day filled with education, stories, laughter, songs, and sharing.



Thank you to all who attended and contributed to making the Gathering a success! We look forward to seeing you again soon!

CAPTION CONTEST:

Submit a caption for the following picture to nitep@interchange.ubc.ca. The winner will be revealed in the next issue.



(Winning Caption Here)



NITEP GATHERING

This year's gathering was held at the UBC Vancouver Campus on September 23, 2010



Chilliwack Field Centre

L-R: Carlene Quock, Zorana Edwards, Bernadette Williams, Kye Smith.
Not pictured: Len Pierre, Jeanette Donald, Roseanne Harry, Emerald John, Camielle Laslo



Duncan Field Centre

Back, L-R: Anderson Peter, Kelly Hall, Jamie Elliott, Christina Harris, Patti McMullen, Catherine Joe, Clifford Johnson, Stephanie Stephens (Coordinator)
Front, L-R Clayton Qwulshemut, Adrienne Harris, Clark Robinson



Kamloops Field Centre

Back, L-R: Julianne Peters, Karen Blain (Coordinator), Ken McIntyre
Middle, L-R: Charmayne Jules, Kendelle Weberg, Marilynn Adolph, Kimberly Siwallace, Erin Mitchell
Front, L-R: Ticwtkwa Nelson & daughter Zelkwa7, Larry Fenton, Marrison Squakin



Urban Field Centre

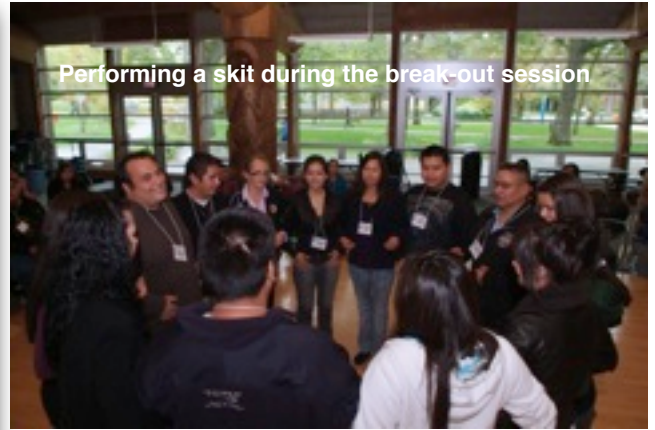
Back, L-R: Landon Gregg, Johnson Wilson, Justin Boehringer, Tyler Peters
Middle, L-R: Robyn Humchitt, Amanda Reid, Melanie McKenna, Tanya Agecoutay, Brionne Asham
Front, L-R: Lois Vader, Crystal Smith & daughter Ruby, Marny Point (Yr. 1 & 2 Coordinator)



Storytelling with Elder Ray Peter



Students playing "Autograph Bingo" icebreaker



Performing a skit during the break-out session



Sharing stories at lunch



One group finds the Tim Hortons on the Scavenger Hunt



Elder Ray Peter shares a song