9/23 GENDER

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11/4 | 12 pm | Native American Heritage Month Opening Ceremony

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11/5 | 1-3pm | Speaker Series: Land, Law, History, Culture and Community in the Time of Covid-19: A Lakota Elder’s Perspective

David Swallow, Jr. is a member of Crazy Horse’s Band of Oglala Lakota. He speaks Lakota as a first language and is a Sun Dance intercessor in Porcupine, South Dakota on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation where he lives.

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The Honorable Ron W. Goode is the Tribal Chairman of the North Fork Mono Tribe. He is a Veteran of the United States Army; a Life Member of the Sierra Mono Museum and of the United States Judo Federation, with a 6th degree Black Belt in Judo.

Caitlyn Ayoka Wicks (Cherokee) will speak on Native youth, one of the most powerful and yet most silenced groups of voices in the United States and Canada today. Wicks is a Ph.D. Candidate in U.S. History at Indiana University studying Native American Activism in the 20th and 21st centuries with a focus on Settler Colonialism Theory and Gender Studies.

Kanyon "Coyote Woman" Sayers-Roods, Ohlone & Chumash California Native, will guide the audience through a conversation focusing on Native American culture, language revitalization and guide participants through relevant cultural competence strategies and the importance of cultural sensitivity.

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Briana Albini, Graduate Assistant at First Nations Educational & Cultural Center and Masters Candidate in the Masters Public Affairs/Masters of Science Environmental Science in the O’Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University will speak to how historical and ongoing trauma have caused loss in cultural practices and identity for many Native individuals.

Come meet current NAMS minors, and NAMS professors, during this meet and greet information session! Learn about how to become a NAMS minor, exciting internship opportunities, and how you can use this minor after college.

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11/17 | 4-5pm | Plants, Place, and Identity: The Role of Nature in Identity & Resilience
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11/18 | 12pm | Native American Progressive Student Club - Student Panel
Being indigenous is a complex identity to hold in America, especially in college. In this panel, students discuss what indigeneity means to them in contemporary society.

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11/18 | 4-6pm | Speaker Series: Climate Change, COVID, and Indigenous Resilience
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Nicole Lim has earned advanced degrees from the University of California at Berkeley and University of San Francisco School of Law. She is Pomo and has worked for the National Indian Justice Center and the California Indian Museum and Cultural Center (CIMCC) since 1996. As Executive Director of the CIMCC, she works to develop exhibits, educational programs and curricular resources that represent Native American perspectives. Director Lim will speak to decolonizing narratives and revitalizing traditions, and food sovereignty, with a Q&A to follow.

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11/24 | 1-3pm | Native American Food Sovereignty: Decolonizing Narratives and Revitalizing Traditions

Hear from Sonoma State alumni who are making a difference in their communities and how their time at SSU impacted their journey to a professional career.

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11/30 | 4-6pm | Closing Celebration

Please join us at the Closing Celebration of Native American Heritage Month! Dr. Hollis Robbins, Dean of Arts & Humanities, and Dr. Wm. Gregory Sawyer, Vice President for Student Affairs, will conclude the month in community conversation centered around performing arts, music, and reflections on the month’s diverse programming. We will hear music from Twice as Good musician and instructor in Native American Studies, Paul Steward (Elem Pomo) and experience a rendition of Deer Dance/Danza Del Venado by SSU student in Theatre Arts, Tiffani Lopez.

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