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First Nations Studies 2021-2022 Webinar Lecture Series: Haudenosaunee Three Sisters Gardening and Seed Saving

Event Date

Thursday, March 10, 2022 - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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Event Description

First Nations Studies 2021-2022 Webinar Lecture Series (March)

Haudenosaunee Three Sisters Gardening and Seed Saving with Dr. Rebecca Webster



About the Lecture Series

The [Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction \(DPI\) - American Indian Studies Program](https://dpi.wi.gov/amind) (<https://dpi.wi.gov/amind>), in partnership with [CESA 12](https://cesa12.org/) (<https://cesa12.org/>), is offering a unique opportunity to participate in a series of webinars to continue your journey of personal and

professional development around First Nations Studies.

The monthly 2-hour webinar lecture series workshops will begin in November 2021 and continue through June 2022. The lecture series will feature various Native American scholars in the fields of history, literature, education, among other academic content areas. At each session, you will have the opportunity to hear from and learn from Indigenous authors and speakers.

NOTE: You must be present during the advertised date and time(s) to participate and watch the webinar. The webinars will NOT BE RECORDED. Additionally, participants do NOT have permission or authorization to record either via video or audio the contents of the session attending.

Date and Time: Thursday, March 10, 2022 - 10:00am - 12:00pm | Zoom Registration Opens at 9:30am (Pre-registration Required)

Presenter: Rebecca Webster (Oneida Nation), University of Minnesota Duluth

Title: *Haudenosaunee Three Sisters Gardening and Seed Saving*

Description: Throughout the tumultuous Haudenosaunee human history, corn, beans, and squash have remained by our side, serving as a constant in our daily and ceremonial lives. An understanding of basic science is necessary to understand the importance of properly saving seeds from these gardens, ensuring these foods continue to sustain the minds and bodies of future generations. Growing our foods on our own terms is a way to combat colonization, assimilation, and removal. Every time an indigenous person plants a seed, that is an act of resistance, an assertion of sovereignty, and a reclamation of identity. One Haudenosaunee community in particular, the Oneida Reservation in Wisconsin, is taking a three prong approach to bolster food sovereignty through efforts of the tribal government, efforts of an agricultural cooperative, and efforts of family farmsteads.

Participants will have an opportunity to consider different ways to talk about sovereignty and the reclamation of identity in their classrooms, enriching their content and their curriculum. You will see the integration of science, history and culture as you participate in this webinar.

Bio: Dr. Rebecca Webster is an enrolled citizen of the Oneida Nation. She is also an Assistant Professor in the Department of American Indian at the University of Minnesota Duluth. Her research interests focus on tribal governance and food sovereignty. Her philosophy is that every time an indigenous person plants a seed, that is an act of resistance, an assertion of sovereignty, and a reclamation of identity. With these goals in mind, an Oneida faithkeeper named their 10 acre homestead Ukwakhwa: Tsinu Niyukwayayathoslu (Our foods: Where we plant things). Based

on their farming practices, they started a YouTube Channel called Ukwakhwa (Our Foods) where they share what they learned about planting, growing, harvesting, seed keeping, food preparation, food storage, as well as making traditional tools and crafts. Dr. Webster is also a founding member of Ohe-láku (among the cornstalks) a co-op of 10 Oneida families that grow 6 acres of traditional, heirloom corn together.

Registration: [myQuickReg - Re-Storying Indigenous Pasts, Presents, and Futures](https://login.myquickreg.com/register/agency/event/event.cfm?eventid=30390)
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Participant Outcomes

As a result of attending this webinar series, participants will have an opportunity to:


- have an opportunity to continue their journey of personal and professional development around First Nations Studies.
- learn about and gain an understanding of the unique circumstances faced by Native people in the past and today and the effect it has on today's students, families, and communities.
- receive information, resources to identify books, and strategies to support teaching and learning about Native peoples, communities, and nations.
- deepen their understanding of the American Indian experience through stories and information shared by the speakers.
- understand the historical experiences and contemporary issues of American Indian peoples and nations through storytelling, language, literacy, etc.

Target Audience

- District Administrators and Principals
- Classroom Teachers
- Curriculum Specialists, Directors of Instruction, and Library Media Specialists
- School Counselors, Social Workers, and Psychologists
- Cooperative Educational Service Agencies (CESAs) Administrators and Staff
- Tribal, Community, and School Liaison's (Home-School/Title VI/Johnson O'Malley Coordinators and Staff)
- Tribal Education Directors and Staff
- Head Start, Early Childhood, and Preschool Staff

- College and University (especially Schools of Education) Students, Faculty, and Staff
- Any others with an interest in American Indian Studies and education.

Facilitator

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Additional Information/Disclaimers

The training webinar will NOT be recorded or otherwise shared after the scheduled dates. The DPI American Indian Studies Program has found that this allows for more candid conversations, richer dialogue, and increased participation.

This training webinar does NOT meet statutory license stipulations for "Wisconsin American Indian Tribes and Bands", which is often referenced as Wisconsin Act 31. For those seeking to address statutory license stipulations, please visit the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Educator Preparation and Licensing - Statutory License Stipulations webpage for a list of approved courses and workshops. You can also visit the DPI American Indian Studies Program for further information.

* The DPI American Indian Studies Program reserves the right to prioritize enrollment to LEAs with federally-identified IDEA status, Wisconsin's First Nations, and districts with significant educational equity needs.

Training Format

Each session will be 2 hours in length and facilitated by Bwaakoningwiid David J. O'Connor in partnership with the respective presenters for each session. The sessions are intended to be interactive and will include discussion time at the end of each session.

These sessions will be facilitated online using the Zoom cloud video conferencing platform.

Registration and Fees

There are NO registration fees to participate in these webinars offered by the DPI American Indian Studies Program, which are funded through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA).

Funding for this training limits individual acceptance to WISCONSIN RESIDENTS only. Registration is limited to 300 individuals per session. Pre-registration is required.

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***Each session must be registered separately for the First Nations Studies 2021-2022 Webinar Lecture Series.

Questions


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