

NATIVE LANGUAGE INSTRUCTORS' PROGRAM

PROFILES

FACULTY AND STAFF

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Profiles of Faculty and Staff
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Angela Moore

**AL1212AC: Oral Algonquian Part I (Cree)
AL1232AC: Oral Algonquian Part II (Cree)
AL1210AA: Written Algonquian Part I - NAFL**

Angela's home is Constance Lake First Nation. Along with her nineteen years of teaching experience for the Hearst Board of Education, Angela has been involved in development of Cree curriculum, translation, and as a Sessional Lecturer and Consultant at NLIP. Angela possesses a Certificate in teaching Native language and a Teacher Assistant Certificate. She has served as Cree Language Consultant and Translator for various projects sponsored by Timmins Cultural Centre, Hearst Board of Education and the Ontario Government.

Joanne LaBelle

**AL1212AA: Oral Algonquian Part I (Western)
ED0190AA: Practicum Planning (Western)
ED0290AA and ED0290AB: Practicum Planning**

Joanne is a NLIP graduate earning her Diploma in Native As a Second Language. She is currently employed by the Lakehead District Roman Catholic Separate School Board as a Native Language Teacher. Joanne teaches at St. Patrick High School, St. Jude School, and Sacred Heart School, teaching grades Kindergarten to Grade 12. Before moving to Thunder Bay, Joanne taught grades JK - Grade 8 for the Geraldton Roman Catholic Separate School Board.

Reta Sands

**AL1212AB: Oral Algonquian Part I (Central/Eastern)
AL1232AB: Oral Algonquian Part II (Central/Eastern)**

Reta received her Ontario Teacher's Certificate from London Teachers College. Her career as a teacher began in 1963 and has been teaching in her home community at Walpole Island First Nation. Reta continued her studies part-time, and eventually received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1988, and her Bachelor of Education Degree in 1990 from Lakehead University. Reta has been on NLIP faculty team since its implementation in 1981. She began participating as Associate Teacher in Practicum courses, and is now teaching Oral Algonquian courses.

Tom Beardy

**AL1232AA: Oral Algonquian Part II (Western)
AL2213AA: Oral Algonquian Part III (Western)**

Tom received his Diploma in Native As a Second Language in 1993. Since 1989, he has taught Native language courses during the summer and fall/winter term at Lakehead University. Tom is presently involved in a Severn Ojibwe curriculum project developing courses of study for the Introductory, Intermediate and Advanced Ojibwe courses. Tom has done an enormous amount of work in consulting and translation projects. Several publications of his glossaries on "legal terms" are now available.

Lena Odjig White

AL2213AB: Oral Algonquian Part III (Central/Eastern)

Lena is presently Coordinator of the Native Language Instructors' Program. She attained her Master's Degree at York University in 1985. Her area of concentration focused on Native languages and culture. Lena has been on NLIP faculty team since the program's implementation in 1981. Her past activities include roles as consultant, teacher and researcher.

John O'Meara

**AL2233AA: Oral Algonquian Part IV - NASL
NL2711: Introduction to Native North American Linguistics**

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Jeanne Grubin**ED1351AA: NASL Methods Part I (Western)****ED1351AB: NASL Methods Part I (Central/Eastern)****Workshop 4A and 4B: "Songs in the Classroom"**

Jeanne received her Ontario Teacher's Certificate in 1967. Jeanne completed the Specialist Certificate - Additional Qualification program in Native As a Second Language at Lakehead University in 1991. Her other qualifications include Special Education and Guidance Specialist taken at Nipissing University. Jeanne worked as a Native Language Consultant for the Ministry of Education in 1989/90 and continued her consultant duties at Ojibwe Cultural Foundation in 1990 -1992. During the years 1971-89, Jeanne taught at Cecil Facer School in Sudbury.

Gary Hannam**ED1571AA: Introduction to Teaching (Western)****ED1571AB: Introduction to Teaching (Central/Eastern)****ED0190AB: Practicum Planning (Central/Eastern)**

In 1989, Gary joined our NLIP faculty team. He comes from Nova Scotia where he keeps busy as Principal for Annapolis Royal N.S. and is a candidate for a Master in Education at St. Mary's University. His academic qualifications include a Bachelor of Arts Degree from St. Mary's and a Diploma in Educational Administration from Dalhousie University. In 1987-88, Gary was selected as an exchange teacher to the U.K. from N. S. He is a recipient of an Excellence in Education Award from the Province of Nova Scotia.

Shirley Williams**ED1572AA: Development of the Child (Western)****ED1572AB: Development of the Child (Central/Eastern)**

Shirley is a candidate for a Master in Environmental Studies Degree at York University. She received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Trent University in 1983 and attained her Diploma in Native As a Second Language in 1989. She attended University of Oklahoma in 1991 receiving a certificate in curriculum writing. Shirley has published some Native language curriculum resources. Her activities include duties as Elder and Consultant for the Sweetgrass First Nations Language Council Inc. She is a full-time faculty member at Trent University in Peterborough, Ontario.

Theresa Hoy -*Nowqualkezhikgoqual***ED1352AA: NASL Methods Part II (Western)****ED1352AB: NASL Methods Part II (Central/Eastern)**

Theresa graduated in 1992 receiving her Diploma in Native As a Second Language. She earned her Bachelor of Education Degree at Lakehead University and her Ontario Teacher's Certificate in 1992. Theresa earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Native Studies from Laurentian University in 1989. Her career experience as a Native language teacher has been with the Sudbury Board of Education, teaching grades 1 to 8.

Helen Wassegijig**ED1573AA: Current Issues in Native Language Education (Western)****ED1573AB: Current Issues in Native Language Education (C/E)**

Helen is a recent graduate receiving her Diploma in Native As a Second Language. She is also a recipient of the William A. West Medal as a student with the highest ranking in the NLIP program. Helen earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree and her Bachelor of Visual Arts Degree from the University of Ottawa. She continued her studies receiving her Master of Arts Degree from Carleton University. Helen has five years experience teaching Ojibwe. She has taught at Algonquin College, Odawa Native Friendship Centre and the University of Montreal.

Isadore Toulouse**ED1353AA: NASL Methods Part III (Western)****ED1574AA: Approaches to Bilingual Education**

In 1992, Isadore graduated from NLIP with a Diploma in Native As a Second Language. Isadore is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Trent University. This is his fifth year with the York Region Board of Education teaching Grades 1 - 12 at Sutton schools. Isadore's other teaching assignment is with the Toronto Board of Education teaching a Continuing Education Adult Program held at the Native Canadian Centre of Toronto.

Sandra Peltier

ED1353AB: NASL Methods Part III (Central/Eastern)
ED0390AA and ED0390AB Practicum Planning
Workshop 6A and 6B: "Resource Exchange and Development"

Sandra just finished her term contract as Anishinabeg Language Consultant for the Woodland Cultural Centre at Brantford. In 1991, Sandra graduated from Lakehead University receiving her Part 3 Specialist Certificate in Native As a Second Language. In 1983, she earned her Ontario Teacher's Certificate at Lakehead. Last year, she received her Bachelor of Arts Degree also from Lakehead University. Sandra's experience includes various roles as a Native language teacher, as an education/social counsellor and as a consultant.

Mary Lou Iahtail

ED1354AA: NASL Methods Part IV
ED4743: Native As a Second Language Specialist - A.Q. Part I

Mary Lou graduated with an Ontario Teacher's Certificate at McMaster University in 1975. She received her 3-Part Specialist Certificate in Native As a Second Language in 1991 at Lakehead University. Currently, she is a candidate for a Degree in Education and Law in Native Studies at Laurentian University. Mary Lou has performed various roles, one of them as "District Officer" for 3 years for the Ombudsman of Ontario, Timmins and James Bay area. She has experience as a Cree teacher, consultant, counsellor, and translator. In 1977, she was appointed and is still presently serving as Justice of the Peace on and for the Province of Ontario in Attawapiskat and Moosonee areas.

Violet Shawanda

ED0190, ED0290, ED0390: Practicum - Associate Teacher
Workshop 5A and 5B: "Teaching a NSL Secondary Program"

Violet joined our NLIP faculty team as Associate Teacher and Workshop Instructor in 1992. She earned her "Teaching An Algonquian Language as a Second Language" Specialist Certificate at Lakehead in 1991. Other additional qualifications include Language Arts, Media I, Special Education Specialist, and Visual Arts Specialist. Violet is a holder of the Ontario Teacher's Certificate. Since 1989, she has taught Ojibwe at New Credit Day Care Centre, Hagersville Secondary School, Mohawk College, Hamilton Native Friendship Centre and New Credit First Nation School. This past year, Violet taught Ojibwe courses at McMaster University.

Susan Sandau

ED0190, ED0290, ED0390: Practicum - Associate Teacher
CR1010: Introduction to Cree - Part I
CR1012: Introduction to Cree - Part II

For 21 years, Susan was employed by the Hearst Board of Education teaching Native language to grades one to eight. She assisted in introducing and implementing a Native Language Program for the Primary Level at the Constance Lake First Nation Day School. Susan received her Diploma in Native As a Second Language in 1987. Her experience include curriculum development, teaching Special Education in remedial classes and computer math - Primary and Junior.

Ronald Kelly

ED0190, ED0290, ED0390: Practicum - Associate Teacher

Ronald is from Onegaming First Nation. From September 1978 to February 1994, Ronald was employed as a Classroom/Native Language Teacher teaching all grades, Primary, Junior and Intermediate. He earned his Ontario Teacher's Certificate, and the Diploma in Native Teacher Education at Lakehead University in 1978. He also earned his Specialist Certificate in Teaching Algonquian As a Second Language in 1991.

Dona Fiddler

ED0190, ED0290, ED0390: Practicum - Associate Teacher

In 1987, Dona graduated with a Diploma in Native As a Second Language. She is a recipient of a Certificate of Appreciation from Program Council West for recognition in her work on a team to improve curriculum development and implementation. Dona is presently employed by the Lakehead District Separate School Board, teaching Native language programs at Our Lady of Charity School and Bishop Gallagher School.

Elizabeth Achneepineskum Workshop 1A and 1B: "Native Arts and Crafts"

Elizabeth graduated from NLIP in 1992 with a Diploma in Native As a Second Language. She has taken Advanced Courses in the "Institute" Program. Elizabeth teaches at Henry Coaster Memorial School in Ogoki Post.

Doris Boissoneau Workshop 3A and 3B: "Medicine Wheel Circle of Life"

Doris will be completing her Diploma program in Native As a Second Language this summer. She has been teaching Ojibwe at Sault College, and has been extensively busy working on computer-assisted programming on Native language. Because she also has been gaining knowledge and has presented several workshops on the Medicine Wheel, she agreed to do the practicum workshop on this topic for the NLTC students.

Laura James

OJ1010: Introduction to Ojibwe I

OJ1012: Introduction to Ojibwe II

Laura earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree and her Bachelor of Education Degree at Lakehead University in 1991. She has taught Native Language Programs at Pelican Falls First Nation High School, and at St. Patrick High School in Thunder Bay. Laura worked as Linguist Assistant for research projects at Cat Lake First Nation and also at Lakehead University. This past year, she taught Ojibwe courses during the fall/winter term at the Faculty of Education.

Elsie Stoney

NL3531: Composition

OJ2001: Intermediate Ojibwe

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Kathleen Greene

NLIP Counsellor

Elder-in-Residence

Workshop 2A and 2B:

"The Role of Traditional Teachings in the Home & School"

Kathleen of the Golden Eagle Clan is from Iskutewisakaygun #39 Independent First Nation (Shoal Lake, Ontario). She attained her Registered Nurse Certificate at St. Boniface Hospital in Winnipeg, and a Bachelor of Social Work Degree at the University of Manitoba. Kathleen keeps busy with her various roles as Elder, Counsellor, Traditional Teacher and Consultant for the Anishnaabeg people.

Florrie Sutherland

Principal: Student Teaching and NASL for Children Program

Florrie attained her Native Language Teacher Certification in 1989 and is presently a full-time student in a B.A. degree program offered by the Department of Indigenous Learning. Florrie was Associate Teacher for NLIP in 1990-92. She taught the Native Language Program at the Constance Lake Day School during the period 1983-1988. Previous to that for 4 years, she worked with emotionally-disturbed children, ages 4 to 17, at Browndale Native Program at Thunder Bay.

Karina Skov

Coordinator: NASL for Children and Odaminowin

This will be Karina's fourth summer with the program. With the skills and abilities she has in children's programming, the participants of the Odaminowin Day Camp can look forward to another exciting summer. Karina just graduated in May 1995 receiving her Diploma in Native Family Worker Program at Confederation College. During her years of study, she achieved and maintained her academic status on the Dean's List. Along with her Ontario Secondary School Graduation Diploma, Karina took other courses on behaviour and cross-cultural ethics.