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April 10th, 2021
1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

Second Saturday: New Mexico's Indigenous Languages: Critical Challenges and Possibilities

Event Order

Event: New Mexico's Indigenous Languages

Date: Saturday, 4/10/2021

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Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87681041354>

Event Type: Virtual 2nd Saturday

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

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Guests:

Rental: No

Partners

Dr. Christine Sims



Event Summary

4/10/21 **2nd Saturday – Native American Language Revitalization Efforts in NM**

In his 1976 publication “Acoma: Pueblo in the Sky” Dr. Minge included some of the early work that Acoma Pueblo was doing when there was a bilingual program at the Pueblo’s local school. Years later, Acoma resident, Dr. Christine Sims, would become the director of the American Indian Language Policy Research and Teacher Training Center at the College of Education, and a consultant to many different indigenous language programs on language preservation issues. Dr. Sims is also an associate professor in the Department of Language, Literacy, and Sociocultural Studies at the University of New Mexico. With Dr. Sims’ efforts, the Center engages in public advocacy and training support to Indigenous language maintenance and revitalization initiatives in New Mexico.

Join us Saturday April 10th, to hear about the leading efforts in Indigenous language revitalization. Dr. Sims will discuss language maintenance issues and how the Center is providing technical assistance to Indigenous nations in language program planning and training American Indian language teachers.

Free

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Schedule

1:00 Lecture

2:15 Q & A

Dr. Christine Sims

Christine Sims is an associate professor in the Department of Language, Literacy, and Sociocultural Studies in the College of Education at the University of New Mexico. She completed her doctoral work at the University of California at Berkeley, focusing on issues of heritage language maintenance and revitalization among American Indian tribes. Dr. Sims specializes in Indigenous language revitalization and maintenance issues, providing technical assistance to Indigenous nations in language program planning and training American Indian language teachers.

The American Indian Language Policy Research and Teacher Training Center at the University of New Mexico was established in 2008 through the efforts of Dr. Sims. The Center engages in public advocacy and training support to Indigenous language maintenance and revitalization initiatives in New Mexico and has sponsored several international language symposia with Indigenous participants from Latin America and South America.

Dr. Sims has also been invited to Brazil, Ecuador, Guatemala, and Mexico to learn about Indigenous language efforts in these countries. The Center's most recent projects focused on training and materials development support for Native language teachers working with New Mexico Native children between the ages of 0 and 8. The project was funded by the W.K. Kellogg and McCune Foundations. Dr. Sims has worked as the New Mexico director for the National Indian Bilingual Center, bilingual program director for her Pueblo, and consultant to many different Indigenous language programs on language preservation issues.

She has served as a member of the New Mexico Bilingual Advisory Committee for the Public Education Department's Bilingual Multicultural Education Bureau. Dr. Sims has received various recognitions of her work in Native language preservation nationally as well as in New Mexico. She was selected by the National Association for Bilingual Education as the 2002 recipient of the Ramon L. Santiago President's Award for research and advocacy on language rights issues for Native American communities; received the 2002 New Mexico Association for Bilingual Education Award for contributions to Native American Bilingual Education in New Mexico; recognized by the New Mexico State Senate for her contributions to Native Language and Culture in 2004; and received the 2013 Senator Joseph M. Montoya Award from the New Mexico Association for Bilingual Education for state and national contributions to Native Language issues.

Dr. Sims is a member of Acoma Pueblo and resides with her family on the Acoma Pueblo Indian reservation in northwestern New Mexico.

The American Indian Language Policy Research and Teacher Training Center

The Center aims to serve as a local and national center of collaborative research that examines major policy issues affecting the survival and maintenance of American Indian languages. The Center also provides a venue for building an international dialogue about language issues that extends to other indigenous languages of the Americas. Developing and providing native language teacher training programs and technical assistance support for American Indian tribes engaged in language maintenance and preservation initiatives is another key aspect of the Center's outreach and service.

Zoom Link

Albuquerque Museum is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: 2nd Saturday - New Mexico's Indigenous Languages: critical challenges and possibilities

Time: Apr 10, 2021 01:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

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