

NATIVE LEADERS AND SCHOLARS FEATURED IN COURSE

Below is a list of Native leaders and scholars who are featured in this course. You may read their personal biographies in the course itself. For the purposes of this course, the term “Native leaders” broadly refers to current and former elected officials, business leaders, and other key Native nation decision-makers; “scholars” refers to Native or non-Native scholars with expertise on particular course topics.

Featured Native Leaders and Scholars

Edward Allen, Former Chief Executive Officer, Nisga’a Lisims Government

John “Rocky” Barrett, Chairman, Citizen Potawatomi Nation

Sherry Salway Black, Director, Partnership for Tribal Governance, National Congress of American Indians

Eileen Briggs, Executive Director, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Ventures

Eddie Brown, Former Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior

Brian Cladoosby, Chairman, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community

Joyce Country, Former Employee Services Social Worker, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Professional Empowerment Program

Karen R. Diver, Chairwoman, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

Wayne Ducheneaux, Former Chief Administrative Officer, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

Diane Enos, President, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Frank Ettawageshik, Former Chairman, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Tony Fish, Reintegration Program Manager, Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Joseph Flies-Away, Former Chief Judge, Hualapai Tribal Court, Hualapai Tribe

Herminia Frias, Former Chairwoman, Pascua Yaqui Tribe

Jamie Fullmer, Former Chairman, Yavapai-Apache Nation

Keller George, Wolf Clan Representative, Oneida Nation Council

Urban Giff, Former Community Manager, Gila River Indian Community

Greg Gilham, Former Chairman, Blackfeet Constitutional Reform Committee, Blackfeet Nation

David Gipp, President, United Tribes Technical College

Jason Goodstriker, Former Councilor, Blood Tribe

James R. Gray, Former Principal Chief, Osage Nation

Suzan Harjo, President and Executive Director, The Morning Star Institute

Robert Hershey, Professor of Law and American Indian Studies, University of Arizona

Sarah Hicks, Chief of Staff, National Indian Child Welfare Association

Ron His Horse Is Thunder, Former Chairman, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

Jason Hollinday, Director of Planning, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

Karlene Hunter, Chief Executive Officer, Native American Natural Foods

Denny Hurtado, Former Chairman, Skokomish Tribal Nation

Paulette Jordan, Councilwoman, Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Floyd "Buck" Jourdain, Jr., Chairman, Red Lake Band of Chippewa
Leroy LaPlante, Jr., Former Chief Administrative Officer, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
Donald "Del" Laverdure, Former Chief Justice, Crow Tribe Court of Appeals
Richard Little Hawk, Treasurer, Wakpamni District Council, Oglala Sioux Tribe
Clarence Louie, Chief, Osoyoos Indian Band
Richard Luarkie, Governor, Pueblo of Laguna
Ivan Makil, Former President, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Wilma Mankiller (1945-2010), Former Principal Chief, Cherokee Nation
Deron Marquez, Former Chairman, San Manuel Band of Mission Indians
Phillip Martin (1928-2010), Former Chairman, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians
John McCoy, Former Director, Quil Ceda Village (Tulalip Tribes), and Legislator, State of Washington
Tina Merdanian, Director of Institutional Relations, Red Cloud Indian School
Robert McGhee, Treasurer, Poarch Band of Creek Indians
Rebecca A. Miles, Executive Director and Former Chairwoman, Nez Perce Tribe
Antone Minthorn, Former Chairman, Board of Trustees, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla
Michael Kanentakeron Mitchell, Grand Chief, Mohawk Council of Akwesasne
David Montgomery, Budget Officer, Quinault Indian Nation
Debra Morrow, Tribal Recording Title Search Specialist, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe
Patricia Ninham-Hoeft, Secretary, Business Committee, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
Ned Norris, Jr., Chairman, Tohono O'odham Nation
Ben Nuvamsa, Former Chairman, Hopi Tribe
Charles O'Hara, Planning Director, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community
Terrance Paul, Chief, Membertou First Nation
Regis Pecos, Former Governor, Pueblo de Cochiti
Anthony Pico, Chairman, Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians
Sophie Pierre, Former Chief, Ktunaxa Nation
Jaime Pinkham, Former Treasurer, Nez Perce Tribe
Devin Redbird, Former Legislative Council Member, Gila River Indian Community
Patricia Riggs, Director of Economic Development, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Roy Sampsel, Director, Institute for Tribal Government, Portland State University
Benny Shendo, Jr., Former First Lieutenant Governor, Pueblo of Jemez
Gerald Sherman, Founding Board Chairman, Lakota Fund
Jerald "Jerry" Smith, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, Laguna Development Corporation
Frances Stout, Chairperson, Tohono O'odham Nursing Care Authority

Arlene Templer, Director, Department of Human Resources Development, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

Kathryn Teneese, Chair, Ktunaxa Nation Council

Rae Nell Vaughn, Former Chief Justice, Mississippi Choctaw Supreme Court

Erma Vizenor, Chairwoman, White Earth Band of Ojibwe

Teresa Wall-McDonald, Director, Lands Department, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

David Wilkins, Professor of American Indian Studies, University of Minnesota

Robert Yazzie, Chief Justice Emeritus, Navajo Nation Supreme Court

Patricia Zell, Former Chief Counsel, U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs