PAULA “PIMM” ALLEN JOINS ITEPP STAFF

ITEPP Alumnus, Paula “Pimm” Allen, was hired in April as a part-time academic advisor at ITEPP. Pimm brings with her years of experience working with Indian students, communities, and programs most recently at United Indian Health Services. She is active in local ceremonials and is quite knowledgeable on local Indian cultural mores, values, and educational programs. Her in-depth historical knowledge of HSU/ITEPP adds to the strength of the program. Pimm’s grandmother, Violet Tripp, and father, Amos Tripp, were founding ITEPP board members in 1969.

Pimm joins Marlette Grant-Jackson in providing academic and cultural advising to boost ITEPP student retention and graduation success at Humboldt State University. Welcome back to ITEPP and Humboldt State University!

ITEPP STUDENTS ATTEND CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE ON INDIAN EDUCATION

Two ITEPP students, Jessica Goodrow and Samantha Dressler attended the California Conference on Indian Education with ITEPP Director, Laura Lee George in March. The conference was held in Santa Barbara. Both Jessica and Samantha enjoyed the conference and came away with plenty of new ideas and information on programs from around the state. The students also had a table at the conference recruiting for ITEPP and HSU.

Jessica wrote: I want to express how encouraging this experience was, I got the chance to meet and interact with many people who are doing so much for their native communities. It was so inspiring as a student to see the way that people are so devoted to change and work together to help fellow native students to further their education.

The workshops were very informative with new ideas to bring back to communities in need and speakers/presenters expressing excitement to new education ideas that are helping native children to continue on to become students in colleges. As a student, I encourage any student to take this chance to experience this event, to broaden there lens to new ideas for helping with improvement in native communities. Thank you ITEPP again for this amazing experience.
Fourteen ITEPP students participated in the Spring graduation ceremonies at Humboldt State University on May 18, 2013. The students are:

David “Two Sticks” Arwood (Karuk) is completing the requirements for a BA in Psychology.

Tessa Cervantes-Wilder (Karuk) completed Magna Cum Laude the requirements for a BA in English – Writing Practices. Tessa will be attending the University of Washington in Seattle this fall to pursue a master’s degree in Library and Information Science.

Joe Davis (Hupa) is completing the requirements this fall for a BA in Business Administration – Accounting option.

Sarah Gruetzmacher (Hupa) completed the requirements for a BA in Native American Studies.

Michelle Hernandez (Wiyot) completed the requirements for a BA in Native American Studies and Film. Michelle wants to pursue a master’s degree in film. She was recently elected to the Table Bluff Rancheria tribal council.

Jeffery Hodge, Jr. (Hupa) completed the requirements for a BS in Kinesiology – Pre-Physical Therapy. Jeff wants to pursue graduate school to earn a PhD in Physical Therapy.

Candee McCoye (Hupa) completed the requirements for a BA in Native American Studies. Candee will continue working for the Hoopa Valley Housing Authority and become more involved in youth sports programs.

Adam Roubidoux (Yurok) completed the requirements for a BA in Native American Studies – Law and Government.

Sky Scholfield (Wintu) completed the requirements for a BA in Journalism.

Angela Wilder (Karuk) completed the requirements for a BA in Social Work Cum Laude. Angela is the first ITEPP graduate to have completed the degree work on-line. She will be continuing her position at Hoopa High School as a Vocational Caseworker employed with the Humboldt County Office of Education.

Kassie Jager (Koniag) is completing the requirements for a Secondary Education Credential in English.

Kim Johnson (Karuk) completed the requirements for a Masters in Social Work.

Carolyn Laire (Lakota Sioux/Cree) completed the requirements for a Secondary Education in Science. Carolyn will be applying for science teaching positions.

Valerie Reed (Yurok) completing the requirements for a Masters in Social Science – Environment & Community. Valerie will continue to work at United Indian Health Services as a Traditional Resources Technician.


ITEPP 2012 graduate, Brittany Britton (Hupa) has been admitted to the Oregon College of Art and Craft in Portland for the Masters of Fine Arts program in Craft. She also received a scholarship that will help pay her way. Go Brittany!
PROFESSOR VICTOR GOLLA IS HONORED

At its recent meeting in Boston, the Linguistic Society of America presented the 2013 Leonard Bloomfield Book Award to HSU Professor of Anthropology Victor Golla for his book, “California Indian Languages” (University of California Press, 2011). The annual award is granted to the foremost volume that contributes to our understanding of language and linguistics, through its “exemplary scholarship, enduring value, novelty, empirical import, conceptual significance, and clarity.” In announcing the award to Golla, the selection committee called “California Indian,” a remarkable piece of documentary linguistics, and “the reference of first resort” for neophytes and experts on indigenous California languages.

Golla’s book is only the fourteenth publication to have been honored with a Bloomfield award since its creation in 1990. The award commemorates the eminent linguist Leonard Bloomfield, a founding member of the LSA and the author of Language (1934), one of the most influential books in American structural linguistics. Although Golla was unable to attend the Boston meeting and received the award in absentia, he was honored at HSU with a reception and presentation of the award by Professor Andrew Garrett of U.C. Berkeley.

HUMBOLDT DIGITAL SCHOLAR

In celebration of Humboldt State University’s 100th Anniversary, ITEPP staff has been sorting through boxes of archived documents from the past 44 years. The trove of documents are being sorted through and many of the historical items are being shared on-line through the HSU Library’s Humboldt Digital Scholar. To see what is already on-line go to:

http://humboldt-dspace.calstate.edu/

Also keep checking back to see what is new. It will take us awhile to complete the project.

NEW CD’S & BOOKS AT THE RESOURCE CENTER

ITEPP has purchased many new books and CD’s on a variety of topics and issues related to Indian Country. The ITEPP Curriculum Resource Center is open to students, HSU faculty and staff, as well as, anyone interested in Indian issues. The new acquisitions were made possible by donations from ITEPP’s graduates and ITEPP’s supporters. Check out the CRC holdings which can be viewed on-line at:

http://opac.libraryworld.com/opac/home

ITEPP PUBLICATION FOR SALE

Copies of the Northwest Indigenous Gold Rush History: the Indian Survivors of California’s Holocaust booklet written and edited by ITEPP students in 1998 is available for sale from the ITEPP Curriculum Resource Center. The 21 page booklet includes historical photos, newspaper quotes, and elder interviews. Send $6.00 to cover the cost and shipping to ITEPP, Humboldt State University, 1 Harpst St. House 93, Arcata, CA 95521 to receive your copy.

LR: Jackie Martins, Laura Lee George, Melodie George-Moore, Victor Golla, Lois Risling.
Dr. Mark LeBeau was recently selected as the new California Rural Indian Health Board Executive Director. Mark is an enrolled member of the Pit River Nation and has worked at CRIHB since 1999. He has earned a Master of Science Degree in Community Development from UC Davis (UCD) and a Bachelor of Arts in Native Studies from Humboldt State University (HSU). Dr. LeBeau is also a graduate of the Indian Teacher and Educational Personnel Program at HSU and has earned a Ph.D. in Native Studies at UCD. Congratulations Mark!

Genevieve Jones, ITEPP alumni was recently elected tribal chairwoman for the Big Pine Tribe in Owens Valley. Gina received her BA in Multiple Subjects/Liberal Studies at Humboldt State University. Congratulations Gina!

Another ITEPP Graduate, Heather Hostler (Hupa) was appointed Executive Assistant in the Office of the Tribal Advisor to Governor Brown. Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.’s Executive Order B-10-11 created the position of Tribal Advisor to serve as a direct link between California’s Indian Tribes and the Governor. Honorable Judge Cynthia Gomez was appointed to this position January 2011.

Judge Gomez selected Hoopa Valley Tribal Member, Heather Hostler, as her Executive Assistant in the Office of the Tribal Advisor to the Governor. Ms. Hostler was sworn into the Governor’s Administration October 29, 2012.

Ms. Hostler earned her Bachelor’s Degree from Humboldt State University in Native American Studies: Law & Government. Prior to this appointment, she was the Native American Liaison for California’s Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs. Before moving to Sacramento, California in August 2012, she was a Program Manager for Grants and Scholarships at the Humboldt Area Foundation. In 2005 she was the Administrative Assistant to the Chairman of the Hoopa Valley Tribe. She has extensive experience in Tribal Government and grassroots community work. – From Office of Tribal Advisor to the Governor’s press release.