



FIRST PEOPLES' CATALOG 1997-98



THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

WELCOME!

As you consider making Evergreen your college, I hope you will find this publication helpful in introducing the services we offer to Students of Color. I hope also that you will gain insight into the Evergreen community and our commitment to diversity, multiculturalism and student development. Most of all, I hope you will feel welcome here. Our students and the quality of their experience are our highest priority, and it is with that pledge that I extend our warmest hospitality.

- Jane Jervis, President

¡BIENVENIDO!

Al considerar a Evergreen para decidir si esta va a ser tu universidad, espero que este folleto te sea útil ya que introduce los servicios que ofrecemos a los estudiantes de diferentes grupos culturales y étnicos. También espero que al leer esto te des cuenta de que la comunidad de Evergreen lleva un compromiso a la diversidad, multiculturalismo y desarrollo del estudiante. Más que nada, espero que te sientas muy bienvenido. Nuestros estudiantes, así como la calidad de experiencias que vivirán aquí, son nuestra prioridad más alta. Con esta promesa te extiendo la más cálida hospitalidad.

- Jane Jervis, Presidenta

FIRST PEOPLES

First Peoples at Evergreen describes people of racial and ethnic backgrounds commonly referred to in America as "minorities," or more recently as "people of color."

In 1986, Evergreen students, staff and faculty members gathered together and named ourselves First Peoples in recognition of our unique indigenous heritages. We are African Americans, Native American Indians and Alaskan Natives, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders and Chicanos/Latinos.

So what's it really like to be a First People at Evergreen? There's a lot to learn and experience, but for a while, it can seem overwhelming or bewildering. Some new students jump right in and participate in social or political activities sponsored by student organizations. Others wait, watch and test the waters first. We believe there is room for all First Peoples to succeed at Evergreen.



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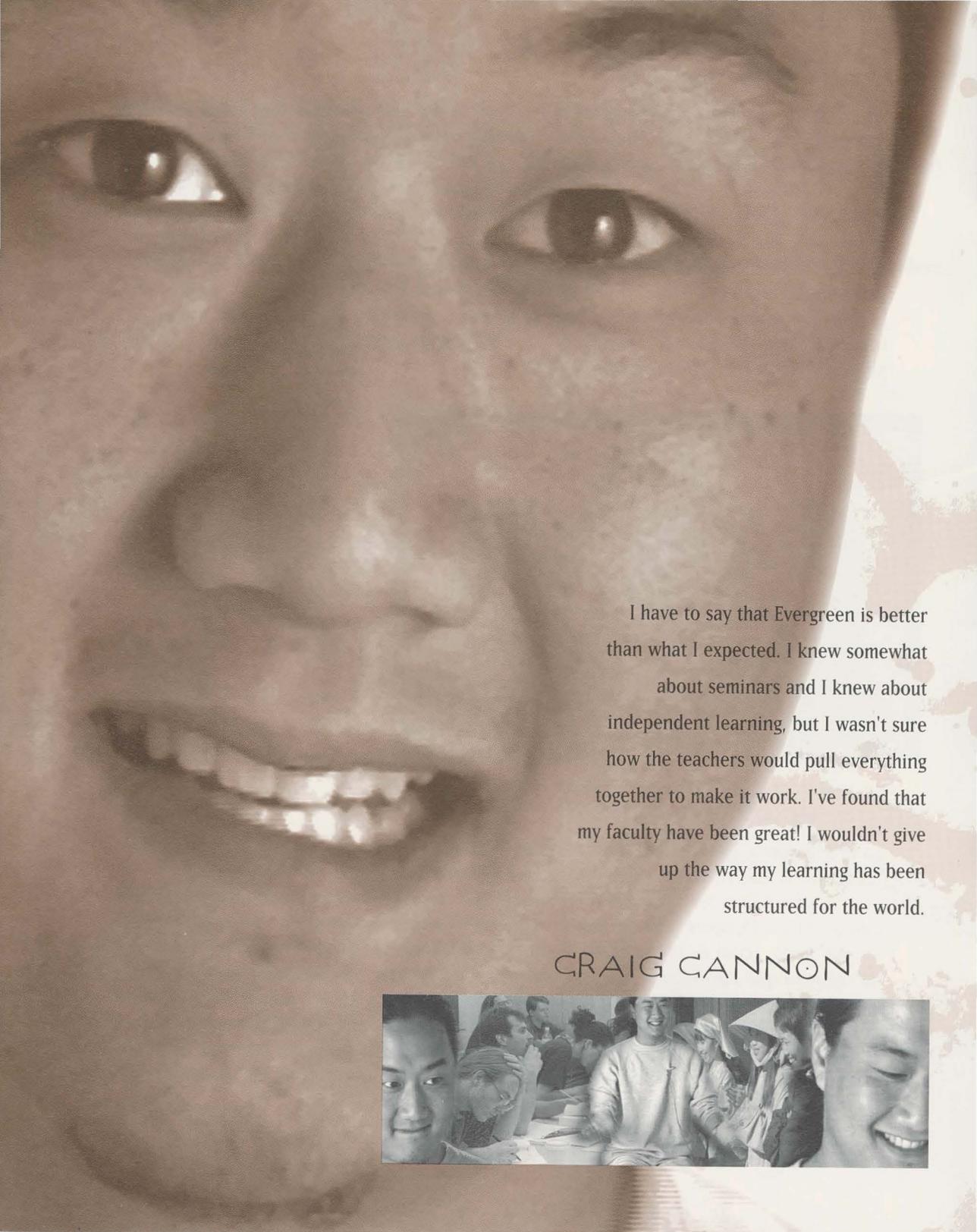
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FIRST PEOPLES

En el idioma de Evergreen, "First Peoples" describe a la gente comunmente llamada "minoría" o más recientemente "personas de color" en EEUU.

En 1986, los estudiantes, la facultad y el personal universitario adoptaron un nuevo nombre: First Peoples. Este nombre reconoce el origen indígena de nuestras culturas.

Así pues, ¿cuál es la realidad de ser un estudiante de "First People" en Evergreen? Hay mucho que aprender y mucho con que experimentar. Al principio, sin embargo, puede parecer demasiado, ya hasta te puede confundir. Algunos de los nuevos estudiantes se sienten muy integrados y participan en las actividades sociales y políticas patrocinadas por los diferentes grupos estudiantiles. Otros estudiantes prefieren esperar, observar y examinar el ambiente. Pero nosotros creemos que hay algo en todos los estudiantes de "First People" que hará que tengan éxito en Evergreen.



I have to say that Evergreen is better than what I expected. I knew somewhat about seminars and I knew about independent learning, but I wasn't sure how the teachers would pull everything together to make it work. I've found that my faculty have been great! I wouldn't give up the way my learning has been structured for the world.

CRAIG CANNON





KIM GOLDSBY

The more I learned about Evergreen, the more I realized it was one of the leading liberal arts and sciences colleges in the United States, and probably the world. Then I realized, "This gold mine is in my own backyard."



FIRST PEOPLES COMMUNITY

Evergreen is located just outside the Olympia city limits in Thurston County. The race and ethnic makeup for this city is 8% and for the county is 8%. Of the 3,409 students enrolled at the Olympia campus during fall quarter 1995, First Peoples comprised 14%, and in June 1996, 235 First Peoples were awarded bachelors degrees. Also, 21% of the staff and 22% of the faculty are People of Color.

<i>Asian/Pacific Islander</i>	5%
<i>African American</i>	2%
<i>Mexican/Latino/Hispanic</i>	4%
<i>Native American</i>	3%
<i>Students of color</i>	total 14%

The First Peoples Coalition comprises students, staff and faculty of color at Evergreen. Often spearheaded by the First Peoples student organizations, we gather for events such as potlucks, community forums, political discussions and celebrations. Traditional annual gatherings include the Day of Absence and First Peoples Graduation. During the Day of Absence, the First Peoples Coalition spends the entire day away from the Olympia campus to welcome new members, renew acquaintances and discuss issues that affect the Community of Color. In June, we celebrate the end of the academic year with First Peoples Graduation. We recognize those who have made significant contributions to the Coalition and honor the achievements of our graduates.

FIRST PEOPLES COMMUNITY

Evergreen está localizado en las afueras de la ciudad de Olympia, en el condado de Thurston. La distribución étnica es 8% para la ciudad y 8% para el condado. 14% de los 3409 estudiantes matriculados en el centro universitario de Olympia en otoño de 1995 fueron estudiantes de "First Peoples." En junio de 1996, 235 estudiantes de "First Peoples" recibieron su título universitario. 21% por ciento de los empleados universitario y 22% de las facultad son personas del "First Peoples."

La Coalición de "First Peoples" incluye estudiantes, profesores y miembros del personal universitario de Evergreen. Frecuentemente los grupos estudiantiles patrocinan "potlucks," reuniones, discusiones de política, y fiestas. Una vez al año, la comunidad celebra el "Día de Ausencia," que es una oportunidad para conocer a nuevos miembros, reestablecer las previas amistades, y discutir puntos de importancia. Celebramos el final del año académico con una fiesta especial para honrar a los graduados y para reconcer las contribuciones de individuos a la comunidad.



AMYLYN RIBERA

You can try new ways of learning and thinking here because Evergreen is an accepting community. I've been involved in extracurricular activities at Evergreen, which I have found to be as beneficial as going to class. I've learned about higher education as an organization and how an organization develops its policies and reviews community concerns. I've learned a lot in my program, but my extracurricular work has been practical, hands-on learning. I've been able to apply the theoretical learning from the classroom and link it to the real world.



FIRST PEOPLES' ADVISING SERVICES

First Peoples' Advising Services is guided by its belief in taking a holistic approach to student services, one that supports and fosters exploration of personal growth. We believe this advances the college's original role and mission, to "prepare citizens to participate in our quickly changing society." We actively collaborate with, challenge and support the institution in an effort to ensure that this campus continues striving to be a supportive environment for Students of Color.

COME SEE US FOR:

- Academic and personal counseling/advising and referrals to support students in achieving their academic goals.
- Information and discussions about nearly everything at Evergreen.
- Informative workshops, from how to cook ethnic foods to tips on applying for scholarships.
- Encouragement and support for students' exploration of their personal culture, and for understanding others' as well.
- Advocacy for students who experience conflicts when the institutional philosophy of cultural diversity falls short of reality.
- Community celebrations and resource gatherings, like Day of Absence, Day of Presence, Student of Color Anthology and the First Peoples' Graduation and Community Celebration.

THE MENTORING PROGRAM

The Mentoring Program began in 1989. It connects new students with alumni, staff and other interested members of the community who want to participate in a mentoring relationship. As a new student, you automatically become part of the Mentoring Program. What are your benefits as a member? Many! Join us and find out more.

"FIRST EDITION"

First Edition is the First Peoples' Advising Services newsletter. We very much encourage your involvement with and contributions to this publication, in the form of articles, creative writing, poetry or whatever else you would like to let the Community of Color know about.

PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Peer Support Counselors/Advisors are trained, upper-division students available to answer questions, make referrals, lend advocacy or support. The Peer Support staff also works to organize – both as a team and in collaboration with First Peoples student organizations – workshops, social gatherings and issues-related discussions.

We believe it's important to bring the history and tradition of Evergreen's First Peoples forward by building coalitions. These connections are important to the entire Community of Color, and we work to foster and support them.

We also have full-time staff available for counseling, advising and advocacy, on a drop-in or appointment basis. Your involvement, on whatever level you choose, will likely be richly rewarding. We are here to support you through the difficult times, help you celebrate your successes and increase your sense of belonging in the Evergreen community.

FIRST PEOPLES' ADVISING SERVICES

La fundación filosófica de la oficina de First Peoples' Advising Services ofrece servicios que puedan ayudar al desarrollo personal de los estudiantes. Creemos que esta fundación filosófica está de acuerdo con el propósito original de Evergreen: "preparar ciudadanos a participar en nuestra sociedad, la cual está en un proceso de cambio constante." Esta oficina colabora con, desafía a y ayuda otras oficinas universitarias para ofrecer apoyo a los estudiantes étnicos, y para mantener un ambiente que acoge con agrado a estos estudiantes.

¡VEN A VERNOS!

- Si necesitas consejo personal o académico o quieres ayuda para llevar a cabo tus metas académicas.
- Si necesitas información o quieres hablar con nosotros acerca de cualquier aspecto de Evergreen.
- Si quieres participar en diferentes talleres, de como aprender a cocinar comidas étnicas, a como llenar los formularios para las becas.
- Si quieres ofrecer apoyo a otros estudiantes que quieren aprender más acerca de tu propia cultura y las culturas de otros estudiantes.
- Si quieres apoyo si has encontrado discrepancias entre las aspiraciones de Evergreen y el comportamiento de ciertos miembros de la comunidad.
- Si buscas un lugar acogedor, una sala para estudiar o otros recursos.
- Si deseas celebrar fiestas de gran importancia como " Day of Absence," "Day of Presence," la graduación al final del año, y la publicación anual de la "Antología de los Estudiantes Étnicos."

MENTORES

Este proyecto se inauguró en 1989. Todos los estudiantes que empiezan en Evergreen participan en este proyecto. Miembros de la facultad, empleados de la administración universitaria, y estudiantes que han graduado de Evergreen ofrecen ayuda como mentores a los estudiantes étnicos de Evergreen. Los beneficios para ti son muchos. ¿Quieres saber mas acerca de este proyecto? Ven y pregúntanos.

"FIRST EDITION"

"First Edition" es el nombre de la revista de First Peoples Advising Services. Te invitamos a mandarnos artículos, poemas, y noticias que quisieras compartir con el resto de la comunidad étnica de Evergreen.

PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

"Peer Support Counselors/Advisors" son estudiantes universitarios del tercer y cuarto año que han recibido entrenamiento especial para contestar tus preguntas, guiarte hacia las personas que te pueden ayudar, y darte apoyo en todo lo posible. Estos estudiantes, solos y en conjunto con otros grupos estudiantes, organizan talleres, actividades sociales, y cursos acerca de muchas temas.

FIRST PEOPLES' RECRUITMENT ...

takes great pride in the services provided to prospective students and their family members. We believe that information is "power," and want you to be able to make powerful choices. We want our services to be as inclusive as possible, without being intrusive.

First Peoples' Recruitment supplements the advising provided by the Office of Admissions by sending the monthly *News and Notes* to let you know what's happening in the admissions process, when our representatives will visit your community and what other student services can offer you at Evergreen.

We will also:

- Contact you directly. Our staff and faculty will call you to find out if you have any questions about the campus or the curriculum.
- Invite you to spend a day on campus – hosted by a currently enrolled Evergreen student. Sit in a lecture or seminar, sample the campus cuisine and take a tour of our facilities. Perhaps we can schedule an appointment for you to meet with one of your faculty members.
- Keep you apprised of your admissions application review. Is your file complete? What's missing? When will you need to pay your advance tuition deposit?
- Assist you with your scholarship search process. We research scholarships offered by independent foundations and publish a scholarship brochure listing the scholarships. Every November, Evergreen publishes its Undergraduate Scholarship flier and offers a large number of scholarships to new Students of Color.
- Provide you with the connection to other student services: Financial Aid, Housing, Academic Planning and Experiential Learning, Career Development, Learning Resource Center, Student Activities, Recreation and Athletics, First Peoples' Advising Services.

Sometimes currently enrolled Evergreen students continue to use our office as a sounding board or safe haven – a place they know they can come for a serious conversation or a lot of laughter. We appreciate their support and enthusiasm and hope you will soon be among them.

FIRST PEOPLES' RECRUITMENT ...

La Oficina de First Peoples' Recruitment se siente muy orgullosa de los servicios que ofrecen a las personas que quieren matricularse en Evergreen y a sus familiares. Creemos que la información es poder, y queremos darte el poder de hacer buenas decisiones. Queremos ofrecerte una extensa gama de servicios sin causarte intrusiones.

La Oficina de First Peoples' Recruitment suplementa los consejos ofrecidos por las de Admissions Office. Enviamos una carta mensual *News and Notes*, que te informa acerca del proceso de la matrícula en Evergreen, de cuándo nuestros representantes van a visitar tu comunidad, y de la manera que otras oficinas te pueden ayudar. Además:

- te llamamos directamente, para que tengas la oportunidad de hablar con uno de los profesores, o con un consejero que pueda responder a tus preguntas acerca de los cursos académicos o la vida social de los estudiantes...

- te invitamos a pasar un día en la universidad, hospedado por uno de los estudiantes universitarios. De esta manera puedes observar un seminario o una conferencia, comer en la cafetería ya participar en el recorrido de los edificios universitarios. Si es posible, te podemos ofrecer una entrevista con uno de los profesores...

- te mantendremos informado del progreso de tu matrícula, de los documentos requeridos que han sido recibidos y de cuándo tienes que pagar el costo de la enseñanza...

te ayudamos en la búsqueda de becas. Nuestra oficina tiene información sobre nuevas becas ofrecidas por fundaciones independientes, de las cuales tenemos a tu disposición diversos formularios. En noviembre se publica un folleto con las becas ofrecidas por la Evergreen Foundation para los nuevos estudiantes de First Peoples...

- te ayudamos a conocer otras oficinas de la universidad: Financial Aid, Housing, Academic Planning and Experiential Learning, Career Development, Learning Resource Center, Student Activities, Recreation and Athletics, and First Peoples Advising Service.

Algunos estudiantes de First Peoples siguen visitando nuestra oficina después que se han matriculado porque es un ambiente que se presta para discutir con confianza cosas serias igual que divertidas. Nosotros les agradecemos su compañía y entusiasmo y esperamos que tú seas parte de este grupo en el futuro.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AT EVERGREEN

Evergreen's student organizations are valuable sources of cultural enrichment, personal growth, lasting friendships and solidarity. Involvement can help you learn to more effectively work within groups and with other organizations while also helping you develop leadership skills. Student fees fund more than 40 active student groups, offering a wide variety of opportunities for your participation.

Organizations like Asian Students In Alliance (ASIA), MEChA, Native Student Alliance, Umoja and Women of Color Coalition are coordinated by Students of Color for Students of Color. These organizations, active throughout the academic year, produce crosscultural events; bring speakers, films and entertainment to the community; sponsor conferences and celebrations; and play an integral role in the college's goals of enhancing cultural diversity and student empowerment.

At Evergreen, you'll find that student organizations are more than just "clubs" or social alliances. Of course they provide activities and opportunities for fun and social interaction, but they also provide cultural, educational, recreational and spiritual services to students. Students working with First Peoples student organizations conduct important work against racism and harassment and help the entire community understand, welcome and honor diversity. Involvement can give you one of your best and most worthwhile experiences as a student.

Student organization offices are located on the third floor of the College Activities Building, along with the Student Activities professional staff, which will help you get connected with all of the student groups and find out what's happening on campus. The staff members also assist in the interpretation of campus policies and procedures or local, state and federal laws as they pertain to campus issues (permits for vendors, political campaigning, spending of state funds for student activities, etc.) and assist with developing student-initiated programs and activities.

First Peoples student organizations include:

- Asian Student In Alliance (ASIA)
- Latin American Student Organization (LASO)
- Movimiento Estudiantil Chicanos Aztlan (MEChA)
- Native Student Alliance
- Pacific Islander Association
- Umoja (Swahili for "unity"), African American Student Organization
- Women of Color Coalition

For a complete list of Evergreen student organizations, contact the Student Activities Office, College Activities Building, third floor, ext. 6220.

ORGANIZACIONES ESTUDIANTILES

Las organizaciones estudiantiles de Evergreen son fuente de enriquecimiento cultural, desarrollo personal, grandes amistades y solidaridad. Tu participación te puede ayudar a trabajar más efectivamente dentro de grupos y con otras organizaciones, al mismo tiempo que puedes desarrollar tus cualidades de líder. Parte del dinero de la matrícula es destinado para el mantenimiento de más de 40 grupos estudiantiles, los cuales ofrecen programas muy variados para tu participación.

Organizaciones como Asian Students in Alliance (ASIA), MEChA, Native Student Alliance, Umoja, Women of Color Coalition son coordinadas por estudiantes de "First People" para los estudiantes de "First Peoples." Estas organizaciones ofrecen varios actos culturales durante el año como conferencias, películas, celebraciones y fiestas para la comunidad. Como ves, estas organizaciones tienen un fin muy importante, el de aumentar la diversidad cultural de la comunidad.

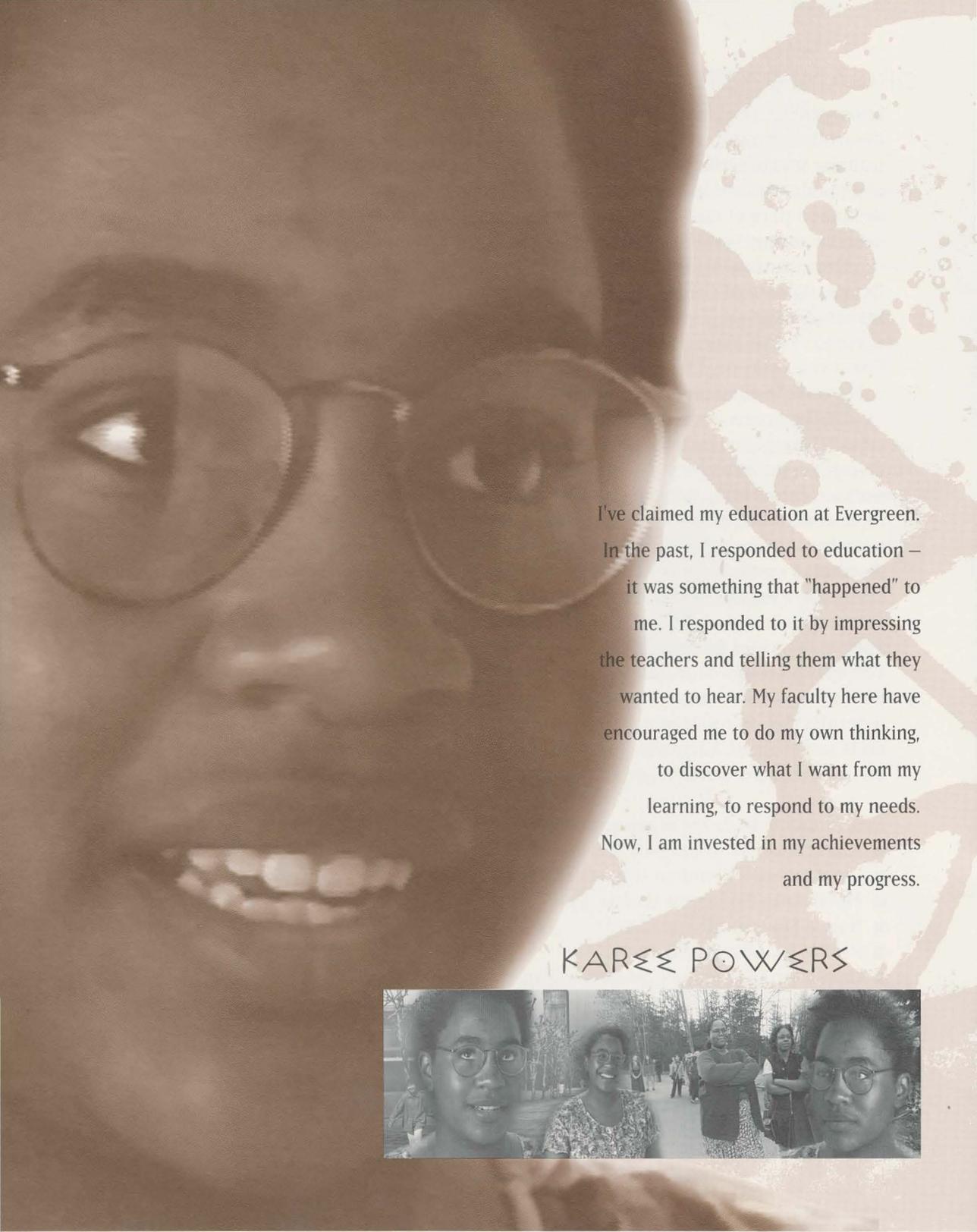
En Evergreen, descubrirás que las organizaciones estudiantiles son más que clubs o alianzas sociales. Desde luego, patrocinan actividades sociales y oportunidades para divertirse, pero también patrocinan actividades culturales, educativas, y espirituales para los estudiantes. Con la ayuda de "First Peoples Advising Service" y con los miembros de la comunidad, estas organizaciones ayudan a combatir el racismo y el acoso contra miembros de minorías. También contribuyen al entendimiento, respeto y acogida de la diversidad cultural. Tu participación en estas organizaciones te puede proporcionar una de las mejores experiencias como estudiante universitario.

Las oficinas de las organizaciones estudiantiles están localizadas en el tercer piso del College Activities Building, junto a la de los miembros de la Oficina de Student Activities. Esta oficina te puede ayudar a integrarte a otras organizaciones, darte información acerca de futuras actividades, e interpretar las reglas universitarias y las leyes estatales o federales que se refieren a asuntos estudiantiles (por ejemplo: licencias para vendedores en la universidad, campañas políticas, gastos de bienes del estado para actos estudiantiles, etc.). También te pueden prestar ayuda a diseñar programas y actividades diversas.

Esta es una lista de las organizaciones estudiantiles de "First Peoples":

- Asian Students in Alliance (ASIA)
- Latin American Student Organization (LASO)
- Movimiento Estudiantil Chicanos de Aztlan (MEChA)
- Native Student Alliance
- Pacific Islander Association
- Umoja (en la lengua de Swahili quiere decir "unidad"),
African American Student Organization
- Women of Color Coalition

Si deseas una lista de todas las organizaciones estudiantiles, por favor llama "Student Activities Office," ext. 6220



I've claimed my education at Evergreen.
In the past, I responded to education –
it was something that "happened" to
me. I responded to it by impressing
the teachers and telling them what they
wanted to hear. My faculty here have
encouraged me to do my own thinking,
to discover what I want from my
learning, to respond to my needs.
Now, I am invested in my achievements
and my progress.

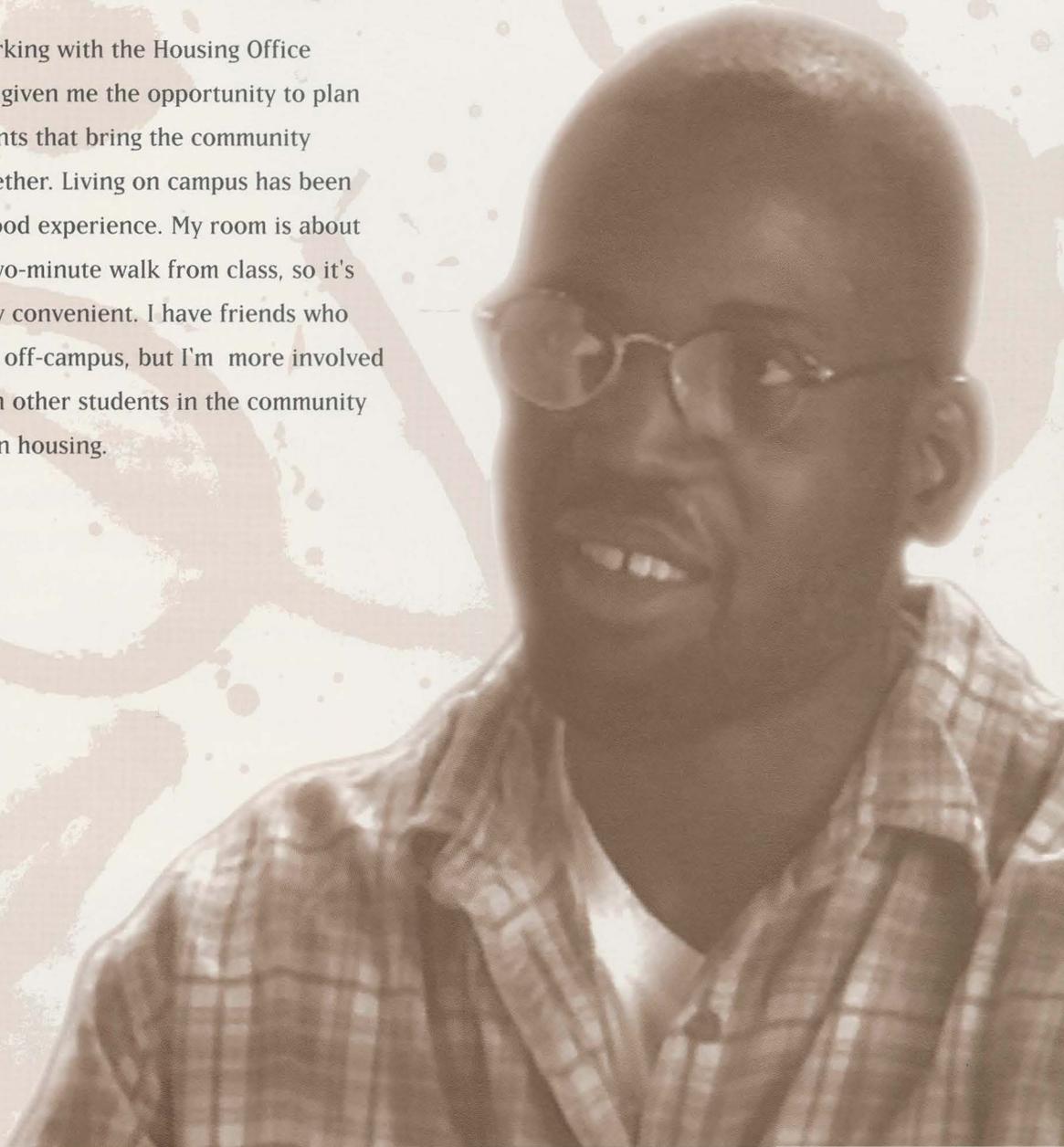
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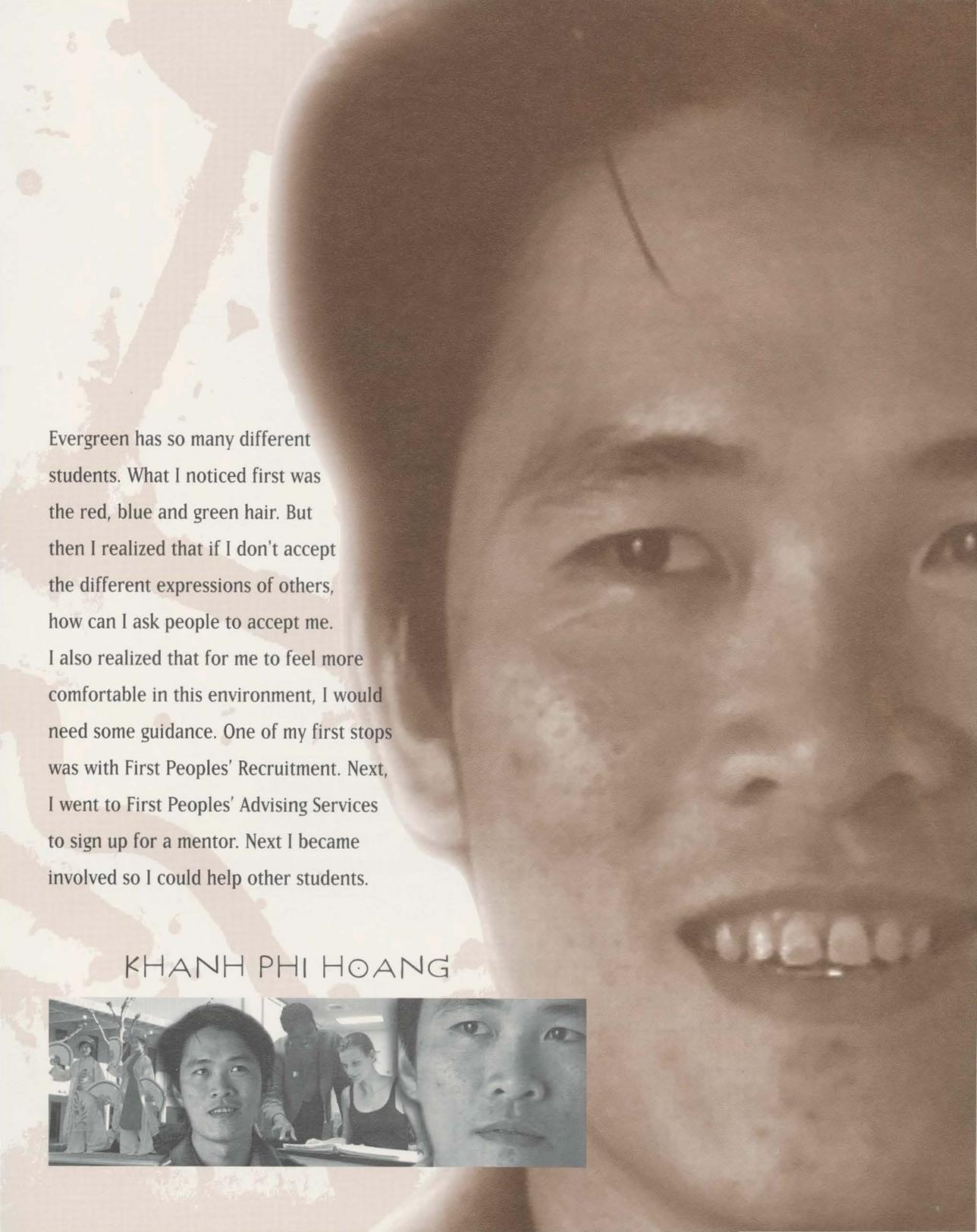
Working with the Housing Office has given me the opportunity to plan events that bring the community together. Living on campus has been a good experience. My room is about a two-minute walk from class, so it's very convenient. I have friends who live off-campus, but I'm more involved with other students in the community or in housing.





FIDELIS A. MARTIN

I was very quiet in my first class meeting. I sat with a friend and whispered my responses to her, which she would relay to the other class members. But as the quarter progressed, I became much more self-confident. We read a book called *Critical Reasoning*. It helped me become a better student because I learned how to listen and understand the message of the speaker or writer. With these critical skills, I felt more assured as a student and became a more active community member.



Evergreen has so many different students. What I noticed first was the red, blue and green hair. But then I realized that if I don't accept the different expressions of others, how can I ask people to accept me. I also realized that for me to feel more comfortable in this environment, I would need some guidance. One of my first stops was with First Peoples' Recruitment. Next, I went to First Peoples' Advising Services to sign up for a mentor. Next I became involved so I could help other students.

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