

DREAMS: THE TEXT OF THINKING

Native American Studies Program
Fall/Winter, 1986-1987

COVENANT

The program faculty is committed to the concept that each individual is unique in his desire to gain an education and to be in control of the quality of his or her life. Each of the faculty will encourage the expertise of the other. Collectively and individually the faculty will assist students to build on their existing and potential skills.

We consider it important to promote a mutually shared educational authority between the student, the College, and the community. Self-reliance will be the watchword as we strive to interpret the educational and life goals of the student through the initial interview. Each student will choose or find a faculty with whom to work regularly, and that faculty will be responsible for the student's evaluation. The student can also do parts of his/her work with other program faculty or merely meet to discuss his/her projects. Each faculty will share information with the faculty member responsible for evaluating the student, and if appropriate will write material to be included in the student's evaluation.

As program Coordinator, Gail Tremblay will be responsible for budget, liaison with deans, space and scheduling, and doing consulting agreements for visiting speakers. Jovana Brown will be responsible for reserving vans and making travel arrangements for field trips. Lloyd Colfax will be responsible for the book in which students sign in (and so record their attendance) and make comments about the class. David Whitener will be responsible for seeing that films are reserved for class. Together, we will share responsibility for student records, business meeting and faculty seminar agenda, advising of students, approval of changes from one faculty to another for evaluation, enrollment of new students, procuring equipment and supplies, changes in planned curriculum, liaison between students we work with and the LRC and Math Labs, supervision of student aides, communications to students, and choosing and contacting visiting speakers. Each member of the faculty will make presentations to class during the Monday morning sessions and meet and work with students in their evaluation group on a regular basis.

Faculty in this specialty area will be working on the Native American Studies Study Group. David Whitener has been chosen convener by the specialty area and will attend those meetings and call specialty area meetings. Yvonne Peterson (who teaches with us half-time) is on the President's Advisory Board and is also teaching in and planning with the Teacher's Certification Program faculty.

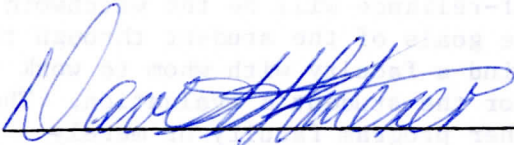
Faculty in this program will evaluate one another by letter before each faculty portfolio is due to the dean doing the evaluation.

If it is necessary to change the curriculum for any reason, faculty will meet with students to discuss their needs and with one another to plan changes in the schedule of lectures to be presented. The deans will be consulted in the unlikely event of such change.

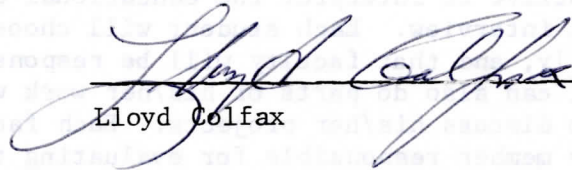
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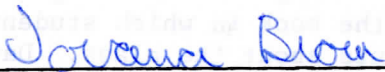
Each faculty member agrees to render recognition and respect to the other and to the students in the program.



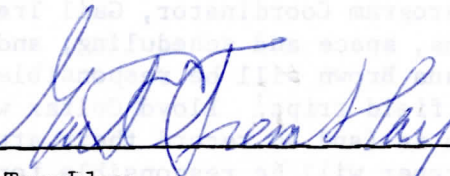
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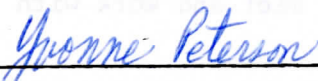
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