

Sentli Seeds of Sovereignty: International Indigenous Youth Leadership Summit



A statewide gathering of Indigenous youth, students and educators



Over the past two years, Anahuacalmecac International University Preparatory of North America, an autonomous State Board of Education Authorized public Indigenous community-based charter school, has hosted an Indigenous youth focused conference in partnership with SFUSD Migrant Education and American Indian Education. Anahuacalmecac proposes to partner with the UCLA's American Indian Studies Center, the CCCC Studies Department, TLCEE, AISA and other programs to co-host a youth focused side event aligned with the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Conference in 2018. We seek to create an opportunity to allow more high school age Indigenous youth to experience the amazing workshops that take place at the NAISA conference. Additionally, we seek to re-introduce our students to the UCLA community and to reaffirm our community's rights to access all levels institutions of education as Indigenous Peoples.

The youth focused pre-conference will be a space dedicated to high school age Indigenous youth and UCLA students to both coordinate and present on concepts, issues and proposals that are focused and led by Indigenous Peoples. We propose to hold the youth focused pre-conference on either May 16, 2018 also or another more feasible date pending campus resource availability.

Our talks so far have included UCLA undergraduate and graduate student leaders, Shannon Speed (Chickasaw), Director, American Indian Studies Center, Associate Professor of Gender Studies & Anthropology and Teresa L. McCarty, Ph.D. GF Kneller Chair in Education and Anthropology, Affiliate Faculty, American Indian Studies, UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies as well as Semillas board member, Dr. Reynaldo Macias, Chicana and Chicano Studies Department.

Xkakikan, xkitakan, xmatikan, isalolisanawakan ipan toaltepechajchan.

"Escuchen, miren, sientanlo, el despertar de nuestros pueblos de Anawak."

"Listen, look, live - the awakening of our pueblos of Anawak."



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A side event of the Annual Meeting of the
2018 Native American and Indigenous Studies Association
(NAISA)

May 16, 2018 – UCLA Campus
8am to 8pm

Draft Schedule

Time	Session
8:00 – 9:00 am	Registration, Light Refreshments
9:00 – 9:30 am	Welcoming by UCLA
9:30-10 am	Opening Blessing and Story
10:00 – 10:45 am	Opening Plenary
10:45 – 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	Concurrent Strands/Sessions
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch
1:45 – 3:15 pm	Concurrent Strands/Sessions
3:15 – 3:30 pm	Break
3:30 – 5:00 pm	Concluding Plenary (or concurrent session)
5:00 - 8:00 pm	Evening Presentations