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Northwest Indian Applied Research Institute staff is very thankful to tribes and individuals who contributed to the newly created Joe DeLaCruz Native Scholarship Fund. Your contribution will make it possible for Native students to receive emergency funds to help cover costs of books and supplies.

Michael Cardwell (Quinault) raised the first seed money for the Native Scholarship Fund.

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"It was time to put my money and the money of others where our mouths are."

Joseph DeLaCruz was the former President of the Quinault Indian Nation. Through his leadership, he engaged others in programs of Indigenous nation building and established high standards of integrity and fairness in exercising tribal governing authority. He is regarded by many as the father of the tribal self-governance movement.

For information about recipients or to donate to the Native Scholarship Fund e-mail graftb@evergreen.edu

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Students & Faculty Use Guide on INDIGENOUS RESEARCH ETHICS



Assistant Director Aleticia KS Tijerina is examining research laws, codes, protocols and ethics that guide research in Native nations for TESC. The project, called "Indigenous Research Development Group" will produce a guide that will be available on TESC Use of Human Subjects Policy and NIARI's website Fall 2009.

Development of tribal laws, codes and

protocols to protect indigenous knowledge is a developing area of concern for many tribes. Tijerina wants to see greater oversight over college research, student contracts and projects that involve tribal members, ensuring that indigenous knowledge is protected. Eddy Brown, Academic Dean of the Human Subjects Review Board, supports the initiative.

If you have questions regarding research in Indian Country, contact Dr. Tijerina at tijerina@evergreen.edu.

Climate Change Research Set to Expand to California Tribes

Northwest Indian Applied Research Institute Climate Change Program is set to expand its research among California tribes. Zoltan Grossman, Associate Researcher and Professor of Geography at TESC, headed a team of researchers and students to track, document and study the effects of climate change on tribal communities of Washington State, British Columbia and New Zealand. This study produced the "NW Pacific Climate Change and Pacific Rim Indigenous Nations 2007 Report" and a first-of-its-kind 16-page Community Organizing Booklet that offered 10 recommendations for tribal communities to prepare and confront climate change. Phase II of the program will produce updated information for tribal nations and seek wider distribution.



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Phase III, proposed to begin late August, plans to extend its research to California. Utilizing the first Report and Community Organizing Booklet as a model, Dr. Grossman's research will include the SW Pacific Rim Indigenous nations, already experiencing drastic climatic change to coastal habitations, forests and water resources. For more information contact grossmaz@evergreen.edu

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