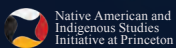


LUNAAPE LANGUAGE CAMP

July 27-29, 2023
Princeton, New Jersey



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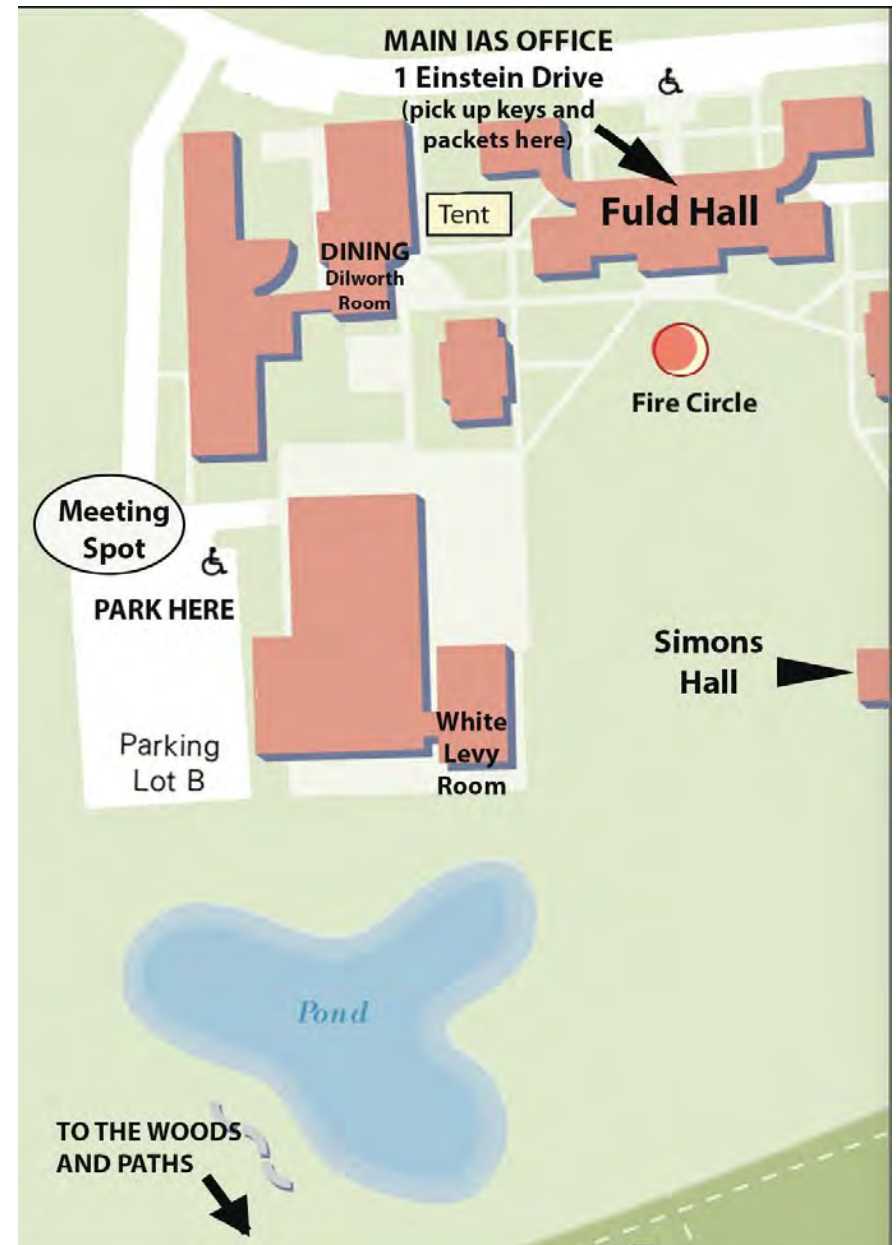


Kooleelundamuneeen eel payeengw yoon tali!

We are happy to be here today!

The **Inaugural Lunaape Language Camp** has been planned by Language teachers from Munsee-speaking communities, along with faculty and students at Princeton University and the Institute for Advanced Study (IAS), and takes place on **Lunaapahkiing**, traditional Lunaape lands in and around Princeton, New Jersey.

The gathering includes teachers from the Munsee-speaking nations, along with young adult community members who are on a language journey that may end in them also becoming teachers. The camp includes **traditional land-based learning**, including two mornings at the Seed Farm and an afternoon on the Millstone River and Stony Brook, sharing **Lunaape language, local history,** and **discussions of Indigenous sovereignty** in today's world.



Detail of map - Institute for Advanced Study (IAS), Princeton, NJ

Wednesday 26 July

Afternoon and evening - people arrive

6:30 pm

Welcoming Dinner
(IAS campus, outdoor area outside Simons Hall)

Ceremonial fire

Gathering to set intentions
(on the lawn behind Fuld Hall)

Thursday 27 July

Morning – Seed Farm

7:30 - 8:30 am

breakfast at IAS
(Simons Hall in the Dilworth Room and coffee lounge)

8:45 am

Transportation by carpool (plus two small vans) from IAS parking lot to the Seed Farm at Princeton

Morning Circle on “How Our Languages Are Related:
Munsee, Mohican, Nanticoke”

Divide into groups for small-group **language-based activities**
(up to 10-12 people at each activity)

Walk to Wapowog / Stony Brook
Button-making (Julie Rae Tucker)
Quill-dyeing (Vanessa Dion Fletcher)
Tending Three Sisters plantings
Foraging on the hillside (Madison Mellinger)

11:30 am - 1:15 pm

Lunch at the Seed Farm

Note: please visit the food truck (Nomad Pizza) in groups spread out over the lunch period – some early, some later!

Afternoon – River Journey & Shoreline Activities

1:30 pm

Transportation by carpool from the Seed Farm to **river journey** launch point

2:00 pm

River journey on the Millstone River, Stony Brook, and “Lake Carnegie”

Shoreline artwork and map work

5:00 pm

Transportation by carpool from the launch point to IAS parking lot

Evening - IAS

6:30 pm

Dinner and socializing at **Fire Circle**
(social fire at IAS)
Storytelling (Brent Stonefish to lead off)

Friday 28 July

Morning – Seed Farm

7:30 - 8:30 am

breakfast at IAS
(Simons Hall, Dilworth Room and coffee lounge)

8:45 am

Transportation by carpool (plus two small vans) from IAS parking lot to the Seed Farm at Princeton

Morning Circle on “Lunaape Blue Corn”

Divide into groups for small-group **language-based activities** (up to 10-12 people each, moving from one to another):

Introduction to quillwork (Vanessa Dion-Fletcher)

Tending Three Sisters plantings

Foraging on the hillside (Madison Mellinger)

Making medicinal salves (Velma Noah-Nicholas)

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Lunch at the Seed Farm
Note: please visit the food truck (Jammin' Crepes) in groups spread out over the lunch period – some early, some later!

Afternoon - IAS

1:30 pm

Transportation by carpool from the Seed Farm to IAS parking lot

2:00 pm

Activity 1 – for language keepers and teachers (IAS, White Levy Room):

“Toward an Online Munsee Dictionary? Community Priorities and Intentions”

This **talking circle** will provide an opportunity for faculty, librarians, and students who are able to help in the development an **online dictionary** to **listen to community members, especially the Munsee language teachers**, describe their priorities and intentions for a dictionary, and – if appropriate – to begin to develop a workplan.

University community guests:

Sreeniketh Vogoti, Christiane Fellbaum, Anu Vedantham, Evan Ditter (Princeton University), Maisa Taha (Montclair State University), Miles Beckwith (Iona University)

Activity 2 – for all others (IAS, White Levy Room):

“Presenting Language, Culture, and History of Munsee People”

Julie Rae Tucker and Mary Jane Logan McCallum; guest, Willow Lawson (American Museum of Natural History)

Evening

6:30 pm

Dinner and socializing (at IAS, with social fire)
Storytelling

Saturday 29 July

Morning – Princeton University

7:30-8:30 am

breakfast at IAS (Simons Hall, Dilworth Room and coffee lounge)

8:45 am

Transportation by bus from IAS parking lot to the Princeton University campus, Carl Fields Center

9:30 am

Activity 1: exploring the **Princeton University maker-space** (Vanessa Dion Fletcher and Julie Rae Tucker, with help from Ariel Ackerly)

Activity 2: exploring the Princeton campus on foot (with help from Keely Smith and Rachael Schnurr, accompanied by Blue Carlsson and Ella Weber from Natives At Princeton; <https://natives.princeton.edu/>)

Activity 3: traditional foodways – making lunch for the group (Molly Miller, Marley Fisher, and Karelle Hall, with help from Gabby Aron)

Noon

Traditional Foodways: Meal and Teachings, presented by Molly Miller, Marley Fisher, and Karelle Hall

Afternoon

Skit recordings at Princeton's Carl Fields Center (1905 Room), with conversation and language work in the Multipurpose Room (104)

5:00 pm

Transportation by bus from Carl Fields Center to IAS

Evening - IAS

Dinner and socializing (at IAS, with social fire)

Closing Circle

Sunday 30 July

7:30-9:00 am

breakfast at IAS (Dilworth Room and coffee lounge)

9:15 am

departure time for those planning to visit the Nanticoke community

Day trips (two alternatives, depending on what people would like to do):

1) **Manhattan** – Visit the Mahicantuck (Hudson River), museums (AMNH, NMAI/NY), and the Morgan Library’s Nora Thompson Dean garden exhibition. Transport by NJTransit train (instructions to be provided).

2) Visit the site of the **Brotherton Reservation** (1759-1802), also called Indian Mills or Edgepillock (now Shamong) en route to Bridgeton, NJ. There, Chief Urie Ridgeway will host a meal and drum circle with the Nanticoke community. Transport by carpool.

Monday 31 July

Note: housing check out time is 10 am, but bags can be stored at IAS for those having a later departure time.

Anushiik!

We are expecting over **60 Munsee participants** from the various tribal nations; a list will be shared at the opening of the gathering.

Here is a list of local helpers

Suzanne Conklin Akbari
Melissa Moreton
Keely Smith
Rachael Schnurr
Catalina Mendez Vallejo
Sreeniketh Vogoti

At the Seed Farm:

Tessa Desmond
Nate Kleinman
Madison Mellinger
Chris Smith
Ian Accetta
Amelia Clarke
Liam Seeley
Rob Flory

At IAS:

Caroline Quinones
Gabriella Hoskins

At Princeton University:

Anu Vedantham
Ariel Ackerly
Blue Carlsson (Natives At Princeton)
Ella Weber (Natives At Princeton)

NOTES

Videographers:

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Kayce West
Jared Montano
Josue Lora
Eric Alonzo
Jake Bowne
Alex Brownstein

GUESTS

Linguistics researchers

(joining for day 2, dictionary session day):
Maisa Taha (Montclair State University)
Miles Beckwith (Iona University)
Christiane Fellbaum (Princeton University)

American Museum of Natural History

(joining for day two):
Willow Lawson

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