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QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS

- Graduate degree emphasis in Curriculum & Teacher Education, Stanford University
- Over 40 years' experience in education, including principal, assistant principal, grants, and program management
- Over 25 years of experience as a grants and program administrator
- Established the updated Emergency Response infrastructure for the Juneau School District
- Demonstrated strategic planning, development, and implementation of the UAS and UA Alaska Native Student Success Initiative
- Highly successful student management skills

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SOUTHEAST

- 2019 to present Associate Vice Chancellor of Alaska Native Education Programs & Preparing Indigenous Teachers and Administrators for Alaska Schools (PITAAS) Director
- 2018 TO 2019 Assistant Dean Indigenous & Multicultural Education & PITAAS Director
- 2011 to present PITAAS Program Director

K-12 SCHOOL DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 7/2004 - 2011 **Program Manager, Office of Instructional Services, Juneau School District, Juneau, AK**
Successful grants management and district-wide services as part of the central office management team.
Program Manager, 3.7-million-dollar Safe Schools, Healthy Students (SSHS) Initiative, a grant funded by the U.S. Departments of Education, Justice, and SAMSHA. School Safety Collaborated with Student Services Director, principals, City and Borough of Juneau Police Department and City Safety Manager to develop and refine student safety response. Developed emergency response protocol. The SSHS initiative included sub grants with partners and responsibilities in Early Childhood Education, Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention, Juneau Police Department, and Community leaders.

Program Manager, K-12 Safe & Drug Free Schools, Tobacco Prevention, Alaska Native Student Success, and 6-8 grade science Transitions II (Alaska Native Education Programs grant). Member of the Superintendent's Cabinet.

7/1997-2004

Principal, Yaakoosgé Daakahidi Alternative High School, Juneau School District, Juneau, Alaska

Developed a dropout prevention program for adolescents, defined effective programming for high-risk youth, teacher collaborative instruction, professional development, and community and family networking and out-reach.

Development of a highly successful dropout prevention program and increased high school graduation rates for the Juneau School District. Developed a successful model of credit recovery that included high level teacher collaboration and curriculum mapping for course alignment, adapted a master schedule to support student success.

Increased graduation rates through personalization of student needs and building and maintaining a high caliber teaching staff.

7/1991-7/1997

Assistant Principal, Dzantik'i Heeni and Marie Drake Middle School, JSD, Juneau,

Successful tenure as an Assistant Principal, closing Marie Drake Middle School and opening Dzantik'i Heeni Middle School, the first technology designed and research-based reorganization model for Juneau.

Responsible for master schedule, student management including behavior & discipline, parent outreach, student handbooks, parent teacher conferences, and community engagement in school curriculum initiatives. Very successful collaboration with the principal and central office management staff to develop an innovative middle school model. Recruited by the Superintendent to lead the development of the Alternative High School for the district.

1983 to 1989

Supervisor, Indian Studies Program, Juneau School District, JSD, Juneau, Alaska 1/1983- 6/1989. Responsible for federal grant management and district improvements in culturally responsive, place-based curriculum. Teacher development and instruction, curriculum design with tribal and community consultation, and successful integration into an adopted Social Studies curriculum framework. Developed an award-winning place-based curriculum K-12 for the Juneau School District. 1990 Showcases Award by the U.S. Department of Education

1979 to 1982

Specialist, Portland Public Schools Indian Education Project, Portland, Oregon. Began as an intern responsible for academic support for k-12 students evolved quickly to a specialist with duties of implementing middle and high school academic and social interventions, cultural expert classroom and teacher Inservice professional development guest speaker,

and special events coordinator including Indigenous student culture camps, fieldtrips.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

1990 Master of Arts, Stanford University, Stanford, California

Major: Curriculum and Teacher Education

1979 Bachelor of Arts, Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon

Major: Social Work

PRESENTATIONS AND OUTREACH

University Committees:

Chancellor's Executive Cabinet, 2019 to present

Chancellor's Community Advisory Committee, 2019 to present

UA and UAS Alaska Native Success Initiative (ANSI), UA Steering Committee, UAS ANSI Committee lead

UA New Arctic planning grant, committee member 2023

UAS Cultural Safety, Equity, 2022-23

UAS Administrator Review, member 2022-23

Alaska Native Programming at UAS, presentation 10/14/19

Sealaska Heritage Institute interim liaison on Box of Treasures, Language Pathways grant initiatives

Honorary Doctorate & Meritorious Service Award Selection Committee, 2018 to present

Indigenous Studies Expedited Academic Review, Chair, September and October 2019

Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Alaska Native Education (CACANE), 2012- to present

Strategic Plan Budget Advisory Committee (SPBAC) member, 2019

STEPS Grant (pending)

Summit Team

National Science Foundation Grant support with UAS Professors Tallmon and Navarro, NSF Advance, NSF

UC Irvine cooperative planning committee member, 2019 -22

UAS Master Plan Implementation Committee, May 2019

UAS New Science building, Naming Committee, member 2023

Alaska Native Studies Council, Statewide advocacy in Higher Education

Alaska Native Working Group on New UA consolidation, 8/13/19

Presentations & Outreach:

Educator's Rising Statewide Conference 2019

ECE2T – Gates Foundation teacher support JSD.

UAS Power & Privilege Conference, panel & section presentation, October 2018

Alaska Native Youth Olympics 2019, Welcome

UAS Lake Front Plan presentation– Welcome Aak'w tribal representatives

Lumina Foundation, Non-Native Institutions Serving Alaska Native/American Indian Students, Denver, Colorado, July 2019

Convocation panel presentation on ANSI with Alaska Native Organization guests, Richard Peterson, Joe Nelson, and UAS Mischa Jackson and Lance Twitchell, 2021

Education Leadership panel presenter on Indigenous Education, Spring and Fall 2021

UAS Behavioral Health, Professor Niecko, guest speaker 2023

University of Alaska Board of Regents, ANSI presentation 2021
SCUP Pacific Regional Conference Co-Presentation, A New Campus Vision: Weaving Indigenous Culture with Institutional Goals, 2023
UA Advancement Council, Presentation on ANSI, 2021, 2024

Special Events:

Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska Language Fundraiser, March 2019
Honorary Doctorate & Meritorious Service Award Dinner, May 2019
University of Alaska Training, Creating a Culture of Respect, January 2019
Alaska Native Studies Council Retreat with Dr.'s Linda & Graham Smith, May 2019
Ho'oilina: Empowering Our Traditions of Exploration, Indigenous Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, representing Chancellor Caufield and UAS, 2019
Northwest Commission on Colleges & Universities, Accreditation Team Presenter, May 2019
June 2019 Lumina Foundation: Strengthening Institutional Practices to Support Native American and Alaska Native Student Attainment in Higher Education, July 2019

Hiring Committee Member:

Special Education faculty in Alaska College of Education, Spring/Summer 2018
Vice Chancellor of Enrollment and Student Affairs, Spring 2019
Associate Dean, Alaska College of Education, Spring 2019
Indian Education Professional Development Grant PD, Spring 2019
UAS Chancellor, 2013
School of Education Dean, 2022
School of Education Dean, 2024
UA ANSI Director, 2022, 2023

Publications & Boards

Working Together: A Handbook for Alaska Native Parents, Juneau School District
National Commission on Social Studies, Commission Member
Alaska Native Sisterhood, Camp 2, member
United Way of Southeast Alaska, two terms of service
Juneau Youth Services Board, member, three terms of service
Juneau Arts & Culture Center Partnership Board (2017-2019)
1% for Art, Dzantik'i Heeni Middle School, Chair, City and Borough of Juneau
1% for Art, Docks & Harbor selection committee, member, City and Borough of Juneau
Gastineau Memorial site, representing Douglas Indian Association, 2016-2018
Native Education Advisory Council (NEAC), member, Juneau School District
Oregon Indian Education Association, member and local co-chair of the National Indian Education Association Annual Convention, Portland, Oregon 1991.

Awards and honors

U.S. Department of Education Showcase Award 1990
Community Leadership Award, Juneau
Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood scholarship 1974
U.S. Department of Education fellowship 1989