Northern Alaska Indigenous Leadership Academy
2020 Application

Mission:
The Northern Alaska Indigenous Leadership Academy (NAILA) seeks to help address Alaska Native community-based wellness and sustainable development through investment in transformative training of local leaders.

Iḷisaġvik College and the UAF Department of Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development invite you to apply to the 2020 NAILA cohort.

General Academy Description:
NAILA is a dynamic and transformative academy, integrating best practices from successful leadership development and training programs. Participants will engage in a series of audio-conferences in preparation for a face-to-face weeklong intensive program, designed in a retreat format. Participants may earn credit either through UAF or Iḷisaġvik College.

NAILA has a limited capacity of participants. We are seeking a broad range of participants from across Northern Alaska, with diversity in culture, gender, and backgrounds. Please understand that if you are not accepted for this cohort it is most likely due to a limitation on the spaces we have available.

NAILA will be hosted April 3-8, 2020, in Fairbanks. Participants must commit to attending the entire face-to-face session (including evenings) as well as pre and post audio-conferences.

Dates, Times, Location:
The course of training includes pre and post audio conferences,

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Who Should Apply:
Alaska Natives (18 years and older) who are working for (or are interested in) the health and well-being of our communities. Artists, hunters, community members, students, professionals, educators, and parents are encouraged to apply. We seek individuals interested in creative and innovative approaches to revitalizing our cultures, languages, and ways of living, utilizing traditional knowledge and modern technology.

Our Goal:
NAILA will engage a new generation of Alaska Native leaders and provide them with leadership skills to promote community development from within. Participants will become part of a peer network that will continue to foster organic dialogue, partnership, and initiatives, as well as, connect them with future opportunities to advance their skills and education.

For additional information or questions regarding NAILA, please visit our website at www.uaf.edu/naila.

Application Deadline is November 22, 2019.
OUR VALUES:
- We seek to honor the traditional values and knowledge of our peoples
- When we share what we know, we are made stronger
- Sustainability in our movement is key for ourselves and our communities
- Always consider future generations in making decisions for today

TUITION AND EXPENSES:
Full scholarships to cover tuition, lodging and meals will be provided to all accepted applicants. Limited travel support is also available to those in need of assistance with travel to and from Fairbanks.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
Complete applications must be received in the office no later than November 22, 2019. All applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS:
We will notify accepted participants after November 29, 2019.
APPLICATION FORM

(Please type or print legibly – Must be submitted by November 22, 2019)

NAME: _______________________________________________ Student ID or SSN: ______________________

Please print (Last) (First) (MI)

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY): __________________ TRIBAL AFFILIATION/VILLAGE: ___________________________

CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS:                          PHONE: ________________________________

(Street/PO Box)                                    PHONE: ________________________________

(City) (State) (Zip)                                PHONE: ________________________________

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DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION:

Your response helps us better serve students

SEX: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Prefer not to answer

US CITIZEN? ☐ Yes ☐ No   If no, Nation of Birth: _______________     Nation of citizenship: _______________

Visa Type: ___________ Permanent Resident? ☐ Yes ☐ No

PERSONAL BIOGRAPHY AND APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Please write a personal biography of approximately 100 words. (see the facilitator biographies on our website for examples)

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Please describe why you are interested in participating in NAILA.

In what ways have you been actively involved in making change within your community?

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What inspired you to become involved in your community?

Is there anything in addition to these questions that you would like the selection committee to know about you?

I hereby apply for admission to the 2020 Northern Alaska Indigenous Leadership Academy. To the best of my knowledge, all information provided in this application and the attachments is true and correct. I have reviewed the schedule of the sessions, commit to attend each and every session, and understand that my failure to do so (subject to no more than one excused absence for circumstances not now anticipated) will result in my being dropped from the program.

Signature of Applicant: ___________________________ Date: _____________________

This completed and signed application, together with all attachments, must be submitted to NAILA PROGRAM COORDINATOR, c/o College of Rural and Community Development, University of Alaska Fairbanks, PO Box 756500, Fairbanks, AK 99775-6500 and received NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 22, 2019. It may also be emailed by that date to uaf-naila@alaska.edu, or via fax at 907-474-5824.

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