



Conference Agenda

14th Annual Building Bridges Conference

Friday, March 25, 2011

- Muenster University Center on USD's campus
- Sponsored by [USD Clinical Psychology Training Program](#) and Admissions

Conference Goals

This year's Building Bridges Conference continues the work from last year's event. Once again, the conference focused on the topic of support and resiliency within Native communities. The conference will integrate the principles of Psychological First Aid with traditional perspectives on providing help and support.

Beginning with an overview of the 2010 participants' thoughts about topics such as who needs help/support, what help needs to look like, and who provides help in students' home communities, this year's conference will look at the ways in which Native communities provide emotional and psychological support to enhance the strength and resilience of their members. The goal is that all participants will leave with some specific skills they can use as helpers and with a sense of themselves as potential helpers in their families and communities. Whether you were able to be with us last year or not, please join us as we continue to explore the ways in which we can be people helping one another!

2011 Conference

O'yate O'kiciyapi: People Helping One Another



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8–9 a.m.	Registration and coffee/rolls
9 a.m.	Opening Ceremony and Welcomes <i>Gene Thin Elk</i>

9:30 a.m.	Lessons Learned from Last Year's Participants <i>Karla Tait</i>
10 a.m.	Getting Help <i>Cori Bazemore and Beth Boyd, Ph.D.</i>
10:30 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m.	O'kiciyapi Activity 1 <i>Facilitated by the Clinical Psychology Program and Wase Wakpa Community</i>
11:45 a.m.	Lunch and USD Information Fair
1:00 p.m.	Finding the Help Around You: Connecting to Your Community <i>Wayne Evans, Ed.D.</i>
1:30 p.m.	O'kiciyapi Activity 2 <i>Facilitated by the Clinical Psychology Program and Wase Wakpa Community</i>
2:30 p.m.	Closing and Dreamcatcher
3:00 p.m.	Adjourn
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	USD Admissions Activities
6:00 p.m.	Bridges and Tiospaye Council Alumni Dinner & Program

2011 Conference Committee

- Cori Bazemore
- Dr. Beth Boyd
- Dr. Jean Caraway
- Daniel Fung
- Dennise Garcia
- Jennifer Hsia
- Kathy Husby
- Dr. Jerry Jacobs
- Kathy Prasek
- Kendra Ratcliffe
- Dr. Gemma Skillman
- Karla Tait
- Gene Thin Elk
- Jennifer Thomson
- Hitomi Uchishiba
- Diane Williams
- Dr. Barbara Yutzrenka

Lodging

A limited number of lodging or travel grants will be available for high school groups on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, please contact us [via e-mail](#) or call 605-677-5353.

Hotels in Vermillion

- [Comfort Inn](#): 605-624-8333
- [Holiday Inn Express](#): 605-624-7600
- [Prairie Inn](#): 605-624-2824
- [Super 8](#): 605-624-8005

Other Events

Native U Weekend Visit provides Native American high school students and their counselors the opportunity to experience the college setting while gaining an increased awareness about the importance of persistence in education.

Read more about the [Native U High School Weekend Visit Itinerary](#).

Another event you are invited to attend after the Bridges Conference March 26, 2011: 36th Annual USD Wacipi (sponsored by Tiospaye U., the Native American Student Association). For more information, e-mail: Tiospaye@usd.edu