



Vancouver Island University
First Nations Student Services Centre
Nanaimo Campus
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WELCOME BACK TO VIU!



DON'T FORGET FRIED BREAD, WEDNESDAYS, AT SHQ'APHTUT!



The Office of Aboriginal Education along with First Nations Student Services will once again be doing the soup and bannock days with funds going towards the Gathering Place. January's dates are the 13th and 27th, place is the Royal Arbutus Room, cost \$5.00 and time 11:30 - 1:00 pm

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\$10 by January 8th

PICK-UP January 12th

IMPORTANT DATES

University and Career/Technical Programs:

1 January (Thursday): New Year's Day: University closed.

5 January (Monday): First day of classes for Spring semester.

12 January (Monday): Last day of active wait-list. After this date, courses may be dropped over the web or in person, and may be added in person using the Request For Late Course Registration Form.

16 January (Friday): Last day to add/drop a course before Spring semester tuition is calculated.

19 January (Monday): Tuition calculated. Students in University and Career/Technical Programs will be billed for all courses enrolled in as of this date.

ABORIGINAL SPEAKER SERIES

Smoke From His Fire

Date: January 15, 2009

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Bldg. 355, Rm. 203, Reception: 355/211

Adam Dick or 'Kwaxsistala' is the Clan Chief of the Kwakwaka'wakw Nation and the last orally trained Potlatch Speaker of his people. Adam came to be known as 'Kwaxsistala', meaning the smoke from his Big House fire which reaches around the world. Born to a Clan Chief mother and Clan Chief father, all corners of his world were nobility.

Smoke from his Fire is a story of a young boy and his journey to manhood as the old people worked tirelessly to fill him up with teachings to secure their culture. He was a boy who sacrificed his childhood and play to receive the old people's teachings. Kwaxsistala was born into a time when the Indian Agent was forcing the Clan Chief's to burn their Big Houses, forcing them to give up their regalia and masks and forcing them to send their children to Residential Schools.

Today, caught between two worlds, he is needed more than ever by his people to reclaim their teachings. Smoke from his Fire is a bittersweet story of how a people survived, and of hope, courage, and endurance.

Student Services Department Presents January 2009 Student Success Workshops

All workshops are free & registration is not required. Choose option A or B

January 2009			
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, Jan 12</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option A -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">TIME MANAGEMENT 11:30-12:30 pm, B200 R238</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Option B -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">READING TEXTBOOKS: EFFICIENTLY, EFFEC- TIVELY 12:00-1:00 pm, B250 R135</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, Jan 13</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option A -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAJOR (AND MINOR) DI- LEMMA-CHOOSING (OR CHANGING) YOUR EDU- CATION DIRECTION 11:30-12:30 pm, B200 R238</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option B -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">24 HOURS IN A DAY: TIME MANAGEMENT 12:00-1:00 pm, B250 R135</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, Jan 14</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- One option -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAJOR (AND MINOR) DILEMMAS-CHOOSING (OR CHANGING) YOUR EDUCATION DIREC- TION 12:00-1:00 pm, B250 R135</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, Jan 15</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- One option -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">READING TEXTBOOKS: EFFICIENTLY, EFFEC- TIVELY 11:30-12:30 pm, B200 R238</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, Jan 19</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option A -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOTE TAKING/ MIND MAPPING 11:30-12:30 pm, B200 R238</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Option B -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">EFFECTIVE WORK SEARCH TIPS & TECH- NIQUES 12:00-1:00 pm, B250 R135</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, Jan 20</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option A -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">WRITING A PROFES- SIONAL RESUME & COVER LETTER 11:30-12:30 pm, B200 R238</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option B -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOTE TAKING MIND MAPPING 12:00-1:00 pm, B250 R135</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, Jan 21</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option A -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">INTERVIEW PREPARA- TION 11:30-12:30 pm, B200 R238</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- Option B -</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXAM PREP – START NOW! 12:00-1:00 pm, B250 R135</p>	<p>No workshops scheduled at this time</p>