



**Malaspina University-College
First Nations Student Services Centre
Nanaimo Campus
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Please join us in welcoming Eunice Joe to the First Nations Student Services Centre.

My name is Eunice Joe. I am Nuu-chah-nulth from the Huu-ay-aht First Nation. My parents are Judy Joe and the late Herbert Joe. My family roots come from the Tseshaht First Nation, Huu-ay-aht First Nation and the Squamish Nation. I have completed the core BAFN Program and am working on completing one more course to meet my degree requirements. My long term goal is to be in a position that will enable me to help First Nations People. I am happy to join the First Nations Student Services Team and look forward to meeting lots of new people.



Eunice can be reached at (250) 740-6510 or email: joe@mala.bc.ca



Announcements

The University of Victoria



Are you interested in learning about what the University of Victoria has to offer to Aboriginal students?

On Wednesday, **November 3rd**, Dillon Johnson, the UVic Aboriginal Student Recruitment Officer will be at Malaspina University-College. If you are interested in meeting or arranging an appointment please contact First Nations Student Services at 740-6510.

Aboriginal Speakers Series: November 2004

The Aboriginal Speaker series is targeted to Aboriginal students enrolled at Malaspina University-College and Grade 11 and 12 aboriginal students from the local district secondary schools.

When	Where	Career Focus
Friday, November 5, 2004 9:30—12:30 pm	Building 255, Room 170 International Building	Technology & Commerce Trades
Friday, November 12, 2004 9:30—12:30 pm	Building 255, Room 170 International Building	Health & Human Services
Friday, November 19, 2004 9:30—12:30 pm	Building 255, Room 170 International Building	Natural Resources Environ. Sciences Recreation/Tourism
Friday, November 26, 2004 9:30—12:30 pm	Building 255, Room 170 International Building	Education Arts & Culture

Please call or visit the Campus Career Centre to book a seat at the event you will be attending to ensure space and lunch. If you are interested in being a First Nations Student Ambassador please call Lynda Robinson @ 740-6428 or email: robinsonl@mala.bc.ca

Change of Address or contact information?

<http://www.mala.ca/registration.asp>



"Not I—nor anyone else—can travel that road for you. You must travel it yourself." — Walt Whitman

GENERAL INFORMATION

First Nations Centre Update

The First Nations Centre is located within the Malaspina Students' Union (Building 193) and provides services and advocacy to Aboriginal students at Malaspina. The Centre hosts a growing library of resources including textbooks for First Nations content courses.

The Centre offers computer access with free printing. Two large bulletin boards contain current Aboriginal news, campus events/information, Conference/Workshop announcements, Canadian Federation of Students campaign materials and other information.

For more information contact Lee Wittmann @ 754-8866, ext.227 or email leewittmann@hotmail.com



Spring 2005 Graduation

- Deadline to apply is **Friday, November 26, 2004**.
- Courses must be completed by April 30, 2005.
- Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, June 7, 2005.

To apply go to Registration (Building 200) or go online to:
<http://www.mala.ca/convocation/>

REMINDERS

November 1st (Monday): Last day for academic penalty-free withdrawal from a Fall Semester course or program or to change from credit to audit (or vice-versa) in University and Career/Technical Programs.

November 11 (Thursday): Remembrance Day; University-College closed.

November 15 (Monday): First day to submit applications for University and Career/Technical Programs beginning September 2005.

Important Notice to Nuu-chah-nulth Students

The funding deadline for new and continuing students is January 31, 2005. Forms can be picked up in the First Nations Student Services Centre. For further information please contact Kelly Johnsen at (250) 724-5757 or email: kjohnsen@island.net.

Kelly will next be on the Nanaimo Campus on November 17th & 18th. To confirm meeting times with Kelly call the Ramada Long Lake Inn on Wednesday, November 17th @ 758-1144.

Upcoming Concert: November 12, 2004

The FN Steering Committee (Malaspina Students' Union) has been working with Terry Dorward (aka DJ KrazyFish) of "**Goin' Coastal**" to put together an initiative focusing on empowering youth, promoting Indigenous identity, encouraging community activism and inspiring our peoples.

On Friday, November 12th, there will be a video screening of Terry Dorwards 2003 documentary "West Coast Warriors - The Early Years" at Malaspina in Building 355 Room 203 (Theatre) from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. A video by the Los Angeles-based Indigenous band, *Aztlan Underground* entitled, "Blood on your hands", will be shown afterwards. A panel discussion will follow.

A concert featuring Aztlan Underground with special guests Donna's Boy will be held at Dizzy's Niteclub at 44 Commercial Street from 9:30 pm to 1:30 am. Both bands have politically-charged lyrics, tribal beats and themes of sovereignty and colonization/decolonization. Tickets will be sold for \$10 each at the First Nations Centre within Malaspina Students' Union. For further information contact *Lee Wittmann @ 754-8866, ext. 227*.



Happy Halloween

