

## INDIANA UNIVERSITY STUDY INFORMATION SHEET FOR

**Building a NAGPRA Training Toolkit:  
Cultivating Ethical Practice for Implementing  
The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act  
(NAGPRA)**

You are invited to participate in a research study of how people learn about and teach about NAGPRA. You were selected as a possible subject because you study, teach or do research related to NAGPRA. We ask that you read this form and ask any questions you may have before agreeing to be in the study. The study is being conducted by April Sievert, Anne Pyburn, and Jayne-Leigh Thomas of Indiana University. It is funded by the U.S. National Science Foundation.

**STUDY PURPOSE**

The purpose of this study is to determine the current state of post-secondary education about NAGPRA in order to improve training materials and make them widely available.

**PROCEDURES FOR THE STUDY:**

If you agree to be in the study, you will do the following things:

**Participate in an interview or a meeting with a focus group. Amount of time requested from the participant will be specified at the time of invitation and agreed upon by all parties. Focus groups may be as long as 2 hours, while interviews should be between half an hour or an hour. These sessions will be audio-recorded unless requested otherwise.**

If you have a relevant course syllabus we would be pleased if you would share it with us, but only with the permission of its creator (we ask that they contact us directly via [tenichol@indiana.edu](mailto:tenichol@indiana.edu), [asievert@indiana.edu](mailto:asievert@indiana.edu), [apyburn@indiana.edu](mailto:apyburn@indiana.edu), or [thomajay@indiana.edu](mailto:thomajay@indiana.edu))

**CONFIDENTIALITY**

Your identity will not become a part of our database. There will be no intent to preserve the identity of the people who participate in interviews or focus groups; the email address we used to contact you will be deleted from the files and any transcribed quotations would only list your general profession and region of employment. Nevertheless we cannot guarantee absolute confidentiality, as email records may be disclosed if required by law. In that case, however, only your written acceptance of providing an interview would be visible, not any of the interview content itself. Your identity will not be included in reports in which the study may be published.

Organizations that may inspect and/or copy the project research records for quality assurance and data analysis include senior personnel on the project, the Indiana University Institutional Review Board or its designees, the National Science Foundation, and (as allowed by law) state or federal agencies, specifically the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP).

**PAYMENT**

You will not receive payment for taking part in this study.

**CONTACTS FOR QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS**

For questions about the study, contact Teresa Nichols, April Sievert, Anne Pyburn, or Jayne-Leigh Thomas at 812-856-5314.

For questions about your rights as a research participant or to discuss problems, complaints or concerns about a research study, or to obtain information, or offer input, contact the IU Human Subjects Office at (317) 278-3458 or [for Indianapolis] or (812) 856-4242 [for Bloomington] or (800) 696-2949 or by e-mail at [irb@iu.edu](mailto:irb@iu.edu).

**VOLUNTARY NATURE OF STUDY**

Taking part in this study is voluntary. You may choose not to take part or may leave the study at any time. Leaving the study will not result in any penalty. Your decision whether or not to participate in this study will not affect your current or future relations with Indiana University or your current academic affiliation.