Native American & Indigenous Studies
Field School
Summer 2024

Join us, May 14th to June 7th, for a four-week active learning environment where students work with tribal communities across the state to promote:

Food Sovereignty
Language Revitalization
Environmental Justice
Cultural Preservation

Stipends available for selected Students
All Majors welcomed

Applications due March 8
Questions? nais@montclair.edu

CULTURAL PRESERVATION
Students learned from Turtle Clan elder Michaeline Picaro while trekking through the woods and documenting and interpreting stone assemblages that have ancient spiritual ceremonial importance to the Ramapough and their relatives.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
Students were inspired by Turtle Clan elder Wayne Mann to research and plan a public awareness campaign about the history and continuing negligence of Ford Motor Company's toxic dumping in the Ramapough homeland of Ringwood, NJ.

LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION
Students created signage in Munsee (aka, Lunaape) and collected digital audio recordings from a Native language teacher, Nikole Pecore. Physical and digital materials will enhance learning opportunities for descendant communities.

FOOD SOVEREIGNTY
Students were instructed by Chief Vincent Mann to clear fields and plant summer crops at the Munsee Three Sisters Farm. The Turtle Clan seeks to offset the loss of safe planting, hunting, and fishing land by growing organic produce for their community.