



The Feather and Stone Exchange 2009

The Apache Reservation
San Carlos, Arizona
May 25-31, 2009

Information Sheet

The mission of the Feather and Stone Exchange is to foster a cultural and educational exchange for the mutual benefit of those persons on or associated with the San Carlos Apache Reservation in San Carlos, Arizona and non-native peoples in Winston-Salem, NC (especially those at Wake Forest University).

Objectives of the program include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Engaging Apache students in summer academic and sports camps;
2. Offer a premier service-learning opportunity for Wake Forest students who may be unable to travel during the academic year;
3. Creating opportunities for diverse Wake Forest groups to engage one another and members of the San Carlos Apache people in a setting (The Apache Reservation) that encourages identity development, intercultural learning, and multi-faith dialogue;
4. Building the beginnings of support networks for Apache youth who might eventually matriculate into college/universities in the Winston-Salem area;
5. Creating opportunities for Apache Tribal leaders and members to interact with the Wake Forest University campus and community groups (on site and otherwise); and
6. Provide university resources for tribal planning in such areas as education, economic development and health care.

A significant annual program of the Exchange is a week-long summer experience that will involve a delegation from Wake Forest. Ten to twelve Wake Forest students, faculty and staff will travel to San Carlos May 25 – May 31. While there, we will have opportunities to learn about aspects of the cultural, social, economic, and political life of the Apache people, offer recreational and academic clinics for the young people, and explore ways to deepen the relationship between the university and the Reservation.

To become part of the official 2009 Wake Forest delegation, please complete the attached application by Monday, April 13, 2009. Those selected will receive full funding from the Wake Forest Lilly Endowment. The grant will cover the cost of your airfare,

ground transportation, housing, and most meals. Tuition costs for those who choose to take the optional academic credit will be an additional expense.

Optional Academic Credit – REL 288 (50595)

Course Description

This field course will allow students who participate in the Feather and Stone Exchange to pursue a research topic related to San Carlos community needs by utilizing project based learning strategies. Students will meet once before the trip (April 23rd, 6:00-8:30 p.m., location tba) to design their research project and begin their work. While in San Carlos, students will gather additional data and participate in a round table with community members to discuss their research in progress. The instructor will be available during the trip to work with students one on one. To complete the field course, students will submit their research project electronically and in hard copy (by mail) to Prof. Wiethaus no later than June 25th, 5:00 p.m.

Important Dates:

- Application and letter of reference deadline – Monday, April 13th
- Interviews – Tuesday, April 14th – Friday, April 17th
- Notification of Acceptance – Monday, April 20th
- Mandatory Pre-Trip Orientation Meeting – Thursday, April 23rd

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION,
OR TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION,
PLEASE CONTACT:**

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