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Citizenship

Maliseet First Nation, Nekkwothkok (Tobique)

Education

M.Ed. University of Maine, Orono, ME (1987)
 B.Ed. St. Thomas University, Fredericton, NB (1967)
 B.A. Sociology, Senior Scholar, Colby College, Waterville, ME (1966)

Work Experience

1993-present Chair in Native Studies, St. Thomas University, Fredericton, NB
 Courses Developed and Taught:
 Introduction to Native Studies
 Native History of Maine and the Maritimes
 Colonialism and the Native Experience
 Education & Colonization
 Mi'kmaq History
 Maliseet History
 Roles of Native Women
 Archaeology of First Nations History-Theory
 Archaeology of First Nations History-Practice
 2003-present Researching, writing, and translating histories of Maliseet
 communities in collaboration with Maliseet language instructor,
 Darryl Nicholas
 2001-2002 Expert Witness in the case of Sappier & Polchies v. the Crown
 2001 Expert Witness in the case of Paul and Duthie v. the Crown
 2000 Expert Witness in the case of Perry Perley v. the Crown
 2000-present Researching, writing, and translating Maliseet Nation History
 1997-present Editing twelve books of stories in the Maliseet language for
 publication
 1996-present Developed and continue to coordinate the first Native Language
 Teacher Training Certificate Program in North America
 1994 Grant from Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council to
 study the state of the Maliseet language in the Fredericton
 area
 1993-present Organized numerous conferences and symposia on human rights,
 education, history, research ethics, pseudo-science, law,
 immersion education, Native Studies, etc.
 1989-1992 Maliseet History Research under grant from Social Sciences and
 Humanities Research Council
 1988-1989 Maliseet History Research under grant from Canada Council
 1989 Principle author of chapter titled "*The Spirit in the Land: The*

- Native People of Aroostook*" in The County, Land of Promise: A Pictorial History of Aroostook County, 1989.
- 1981-1985 Maliseet History Research for the Federal-Provincial Indian Education Committee, Curriculum Project
- 1979 Principle author of three chapters in Maine Dirigo, I Lead, (1980), a Grade Eight Social Studies Text
- 1977-78 Evaluation and Development of Cultural Education Program, Tobique Reserve
- 1975 Preliminary Research Report on Maine Indian Land Claim for legal firm of Thomas Tureen.
- 1967-1968 Kindergarten Teacher, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, Alexis Reserve, Glenevis, AB
- 1964-1965 summers Editor of Walamawagen, newsletter for the Passamaquoddy community of Pleasant Point

Selected Writing, Presentations, and Publications

- 2005 "*A Summary History of St. Mary's to 1950*" published on the St. Mary's community website, December
- "*Rationales for Immersion*" October
- "*The Assault on Aboriginal Oral Traditions*" presented at Conference on Aboriginal Oral Traditions at the Gorsebrook Institute, St. Mary's University, Halifax, May
- "*Maliseet Use of the St. John Watershed*", St. Mary's, May
- "*Maliseet Treaties*", Maritime School of Forest Technology, Fredericton, February
- 2004 "*Native Women and Poverty*" Gender Studies Week Panel, STU, March
- "*Province Reveals Thoughts about Maliseets*". Daily Gleaner, February 20, 2004.
- 2003 "*Maliseet Politics has Faced Many Barriers*". Daily Gleaner, October 3, 2003
- "*Linguicide as Historicide*", opening panel of the Association for Canadian Studies, Dartmouth, NS, October
- "*Land Theft Must be Recognized*". Daily Gleaner, Sept. 5, 2003
- "*Native Community must Stand Firm*". Daily Gleaner, Sept. 8, 2003
- "*Mi'kmaw Studies and African Canadian Studies: The Opportunity and the Need to Challenge Domination*", Halifax, NS, September
- 2002 "*Maliseet Oral Traditions as a Window into the 19th Century*" panel presentation at Conference of the American Society for Ethnohistory, October
- 2001 "*A History of the Maliseet People*" in Maliseet in collaboration with Maliseet language instructor, Darryl Nicholas
- "*Fishery Deals, Genocide and the Perversion of Democracy*", Telegraph Journal, January 31, 2001

- 2000 "Canada's Colonial Mission: The Great White Bird" in K.P. Binda and Sharilyn Calliou, eds., Aboriginal Education in Canada: New Perspectives for the Twenty-First Century, 2000
- 1999 "The Marshall Decision is a Door to Liberation", Telegraph Journal, Sept. 23, 1999
 "Destroy language, Destroy People", Telegraph Journal, Feb. 15,
 "Colonialism: Alive and Well in the Maritimes", The Telegraph Journal, January 8, 1999
- 1998 "Who Really Divided Natives at Jemseg", The Telegraph Journal, Dec. 17, 1998
 "Natives Should Resist Gospel of Greed and Personal Profit", Telegraph Journal, August 16, 1998
- "Maliseet Treaties", Maliseet Hunters and Gatherers Association, January
- 1997 "Maliseet Treaties", Conference sponsored by the Atlantic Policy Congress of First Nations Chiefs, October
 "Native Studies at St. Thomas University", Native Studies Conference, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, April
 "Native Culture Under Siege", and "Empower Aboriginals to Stop Assimilation", Moncton Times Transcript, April 19 and 21, 1997
- "A Higher Threshold for Peace", published as "Pour Franchir le Seuil de la Paix", Revue des sciences de l'éducation, 1997
- 1996 "Jemseg Site is Sacred to Native People with or without Human Remains", Daily Gleaner, Dec. 17, 1996
 "Integrated Education and the State of the Maliseet Language: Revitalization or Linguicide?", Papers of the Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Atlantic Provinces Linguistic Association., 1997
- 1995 "Citizenship Education and Aboriginal People" The Humanitarian Art of Cultural Genocide, Canadian and International Education, 1996.
- 1994 "Colonialism and the Struggle for Liberation: The Experience of Maliseet Women", UNB Law Journal, 1995
 "Mascarene's Treaty", UNB Law Journal, 1994.
 "Review of Halfway Man by Wayland Drew", in Kelusultiek: Original Women's Voices of Atlantic Canada, 1994
- 1993 "Noel Bear", Dictionary of Canadian Biography, XIII, 1993
 "Gabriel Acquin", Dictionary of Canadian Biography, XIII, 1993
 "The St. John River Society and the Dispossession of the Maliseet People", St. John River Society River Currents '93 Symposium, June
 "The St. John River Society Past and Present", UNB Political Science Conference on The Celebration of Survival, October

- 1992 "Responsibilities, Not Rights: A Native Perspective", in Passaris and McEvoy, eds, Human Rights in New Brunswick: The Next Twenty-five Years, 1992.
 "Toli-kinowehtahsowinowey: Like a Messenger", In Memoriam: Peter Lewis Paul, 1902-1989, 1992
 "Charlottetown accord is a giant step away from nationhood", Telegraph Journal, Oct. 3, 1992
- 1991 "The Indians & the Land", Portland Public Library, January
 Changing the Curriculum to Decolonize our People", National Indian Education Forum, Hobbema, AB
- 1990 "The Charlottetown Accord" UNB Law School, Oct. 25, 1991
 "Treaty Denial Smacks of Racism", Globe and Mail, January 1990
 Co-authored with Professors Sydney Pobihushchy and David Bedford
- 1989 "Culture and Education" University of Maine, Orono, April
 "The Spirit in the Land: The Native People of Aroostook" in The County, Land of Promise: A Pictorial History of Aroostook County, 1989.
- 1988 "Wabanaki & French Relations: Myth and Reality", Interculture, 1981
 "Dreams, Reality and Oral Tradition" a review of Dream Like Mine by MT Kelly, Reprinted in The Fiddlehead #156, 1988, The Telegraph Journal, August 1988, and in Contemporary Literary Criticism: Yearbook 1988, 1989
- 1987 "The Representation of Maine Native History", Norumbega Lecture Series, Maine Humanities Council, Portland ME
 "The Native American Contribution to the American Constitution", Conference on the American Constitution, University of Maine, Fort Kent, ME
- 1986 "Maliseet Aboriginal Rights and Mascarene's Treaty, Not Dummer's Treaty", Actes du Dix-septieme Congres des Algonquinistes, 1986
- 1983 "Maliseets and Passamaquoddies in the American Revolution", Charlotte County Historical Society
- 1982 "Meductic Reassessed", Woodstock Historical Society
- 1979 Principle author of three chapters in Maine Dirigo, I Lead, (1980), Grade Eight Social Studies Text
- 1966 "The Concept of Unity among the Tribes of Maine, New Hampshire and New Brunswick", Senior Scholar Thesis, Colby College, Waterville, ME

Community and Volunteer Work

- 2003-04 Critiqued Changing Your World: Investigating Empowerment, 2005, a grade 7 social studies text.
- 1997-present Worked with the Families of Maliseet Storytellers, now incorporated as Pilaskwol

- 1994-2001 Member of Gakeemaneh/Gignamoane, originally the Task Force on Native Studies
- 1983-1989 Member of Curriculum Advisory Committee to the Micmac-Maliseet Institute on the development of a Native Studies text for High School
- 1986 Consultant for Les Maritimes: Trois Provinces a Decouvrir, 1987
- 1983-88 Consultant for The Wabanakis of Maine and the Maritimes: A Resource Book about Penobscot, Passamaquoddy, Maliseet, Micmac and Abenaki Indians, 1989
- 1981-1999 Member of the NB Native Women's Council
- 1980 Coordinator of the First Native Women's Conference in New Brunswick
- 1979 Tobique Women's Walk, Montreal to Ottawa
- 1975-76 Consultant for The Sacred: Ways of Knowledge, Sources of Life, 1977
- 1972-present Instructor of Traditional Maliseet Arts and Crafts, Tobique, Fredericton
- 1967-68 Treasurer of Alberta Native Women's Organization
- 1965 Member of the Maine State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission