Brief Resume

Diane LeResche, Ph.D., specializes in the design, implementation, and evaluation of systems for preventing and resolving interpersonal, small group, and community conflicts, with a focus on indigenous populations. She has taught, trained, coached, and facilitated groups in various forms of conflict resolution, problem-solving, and collaborative decision-making skills. She has been requested by tribes and Native American organizations to provide numerous skillshops and consultations on developing comprehensive tribal justice systems. She is also called upon to provide staff advances/retreats, and to educate groups about how to work effectively between diverse cultural and other identity populations. She uses materials which she custom designs.

Diane received the first doctorate in Conflict Analysis and Resolution at George Mason University. She has taught at the Universities of Alaska, Oregon, New Mexico, George Mason, Antioch, and Columbia College. Her experiences with Native American tribes, Canadian bands, Alaska Natives, mainstream American government agencies, youth and elders, and diverse socio-economic populations have helped her learn to successfully bridge academic and practical work.

She has mediated, arbitrated, conciliated, and been a peacemaker. Diane worked in program development and administrative positions in local and state education, health and social services, and public safety agencies, as well as in the Office of the Governor in Alaska and with the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs. She has published articles related to sacred justice and procedural justice. She has given numerous invitational speeches and presentations at professional conferences. She founded the Juneau World Affairs Council, the Alaska Honors Institute, Alaska Future Problem-Solving Bowl, and Multicultural Dialogues in Santa Fe and has served on many, many professional national and community boards (currently The Nature Conservancy). Diane is a basketweaver.

She is currently an independent contractor, keeping her nomadic traditions alive, working across the North American continent. Her base office is in Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA.