STRENGTHENING EDUCATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY: CHALLENGES TO AND POSSIBILITIES FOR ADDRESSING CRITICAL NATIVE EDUCATION ISSUES IN CONTENTIOUS TIMES.

It is a pleasure to announce the 5th Annual Indigenous Education Research Conference. The conference, which is organized by the faculty and staff of Institute for American Indian Education at the University of New Mexico, takes place virtually on April 22nd, 2021 from 9 A.M to 4 P.M (MST).

The conference will host 11 presentations that include papers, panels, and workshops addressing the theme. Brief abstracts and presenters information are available on website. Registration is free and open. Visit iaie.unm.edu/ierc.

**Agenda:**
9:00 A.M – 9:55 A.M Welcome and Keynote Session
10:00 A.M – 3:45 P.M Sessions
3:45 P.M - 4.00 P.M Closure

**Featured Keynote:**
**By Delores Greyeyes, Ph.D**

“A Perspective of Navajo Adult Prisoners on their Educational Experience: An Examination of the School to Prison.”
This will add to the lack of research on the incarceration of Navajo males and their educational experiences, to understand our Navajo men’s stories and perspectives support the debates surrounding the ‘school to prison pipeline, to hear about their educational perspectives, and to include the Navajo men’s stories about how we can improve the educational systems.

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