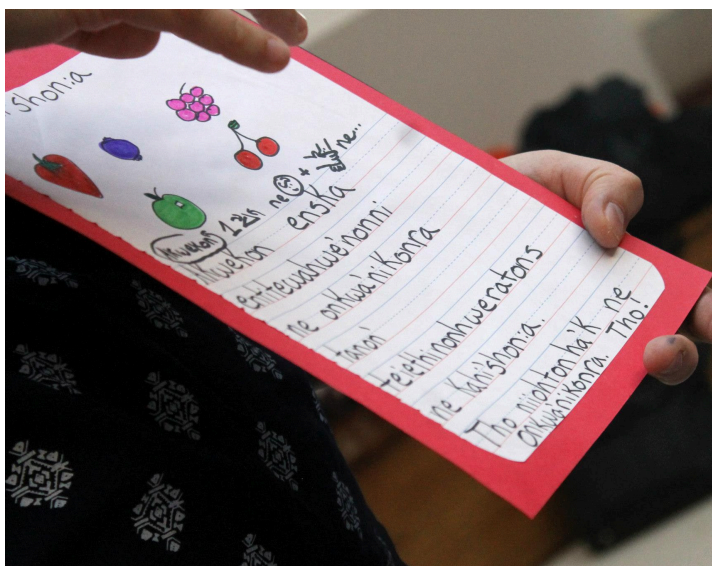


# Akwesasne Service-Learning Project



April 28-29, 2017  
Akwesasne Mohawk Territory

This is a service-learning project funded by Engaged Cornell to develop student leadership skills through community engagement activities, while building intercultural competencies.

To apply for the Akwesasne Service-Learning Project, complete the application by April 8, 2017:

<https://goo.gl/forms/EIFa4Yzrcwul2c32>

If you have any questions, contact Kyrie Ransom at [kar73@cornell.edu](mailto:kar73@cornell.edu)

# Akwesasne Service-Learning Project Overview

## Service

Participants will travel to the Akwesasne Mohawk Territory on Friday, April 28, staying overnight at the Akwesasne Mohawk Casino & Resort. A community social activity will be held, welcoming participants to the community, and providing an opportunity for local Akwesasne students to interact with Cornell participants.

On Saturday, April 29, participants will have the option to assist the Akwesasne Freedom School with the annual community roadside cleanup, or to assist with preparations for the Ohero:kon - Rights of Passage youth program.

## Learning

A training session will be offered for participants on Sunday, April 16 at the Akwe:kon Program House to provide an overview of the Akwesasne Service-Learning Project, learning objectives for participants, and intercultural information on the Akwesasne community.

## Community Partnerships

The Akwesasne Service-Learning Project is sponsored by Engaged Cornell as an opportunity for Cornell students to develop leadership skills through community engagement activities. This project is co-hosted by the American Indian & Indigenous Studies Program (AIISP), Akwe:kon Program House and Native American Students at Cornell (NASAC), along with the community partners: Akwesasne Freedom School (AFS), Akwesasne Task Force on the Environment (ATFE), and Ohero:kon – Rights of Passage Program.



# Training Session Agenda

(provided BEFORE Service-Learning Trip)

**Sunday, April 16, 2017 - 3:00pm-8:00pm**  
**Akwe:kon Program House**

3:00pm - Opening: Thanksgiving Address and Introductions

3:15pm - Overview of Akwesasne Service Learning Project and Learning Objectives

3:30pm - Indigenous Community Overview:

- Haudenosaunee Confederacy/New York State
- Akwesasne Mohawk Territory

3:45pm - Questions and Linkages to Engaged Cornell: Civic Engagement

4:00pm - Break

4:15pm - Traditional Teaching: Culturally Based Relationship Building:

- Thanksgiving Address - Bringing Our Minds Together
- Two Row Wampum - Principle Centered Relationships

5:00pm - Questions and Linkages to Engaged Cornell: Ethical Practice

5:15pm - Dinner: Taste of Thai Express

5:45pm - Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Western Science - Complementary Sciences

- Recognizing Traditional Ecological Knowledge as a Science

6:30pm - Questions and Linkages to Engaged Cornell: Integrative Learning

6:45pm - Break

7:00pm - Working with Indigenous Communities:

- Overview of Cultural Norms and Expectations

7:30pm - Questions and Linkages to Engaged Cornell: Intercultural Competence

7:45pm - Closing: Final Comments, Thanksgiving Address, and Critical Reflection

# Service-Learning Trip Agenda

## **Friday, April 28, 2017**

- 1:30pm - Meet at Akwe:kon Program House and load the bus
- 2:00pm - Depart for Akwesasne Mohawk Territory
- 6:00pm - Arrive at Akwesasne Mohawk Casino & Resort and check-in
- 7:00pm - Depart to Akwesasne Community Social
- 7:15pm - Welcome & Community Meal
- 8:00pm - Akwesasne Community Social
- 9:00pm - Depart for Akwesasne Mohawk Casino & Resort

## **Saturday, April 29, 2017**

- 8:30am - Checkout of Rooms and Depart for Akwesasne Freedom School site
- 8:45am - Breakfast at Akwesasne Freedom School & Begin Roadside Cleanup
- 12:00pm – Lunch Break at Akwesasne Freedom School
- 2:00pm – Complete Roadside Cleanup and Regroup at Generations Park
- 2:30pm - Depart for Ithaca from Generations Park
- 6:00pm - Stop for Dinner en route
- 8:00pm - Arrive back at Cornell University