



Indigenous Language Institute

Topic: Language Guide & Activities to Develop Communication Skills

Location: Minneapolis American Indian Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dates: March 11-13, 2025

Workshop Overview

We will address **WHY** – the Big Purpose – we want our learners to learn our heritage language. This guides the process of developing curriculum, units and lessons that will help reach the Big Purpose.

This is a three-day workshop to teach how to develop language teaching guides (curriculum) with this Big Purpose as the goal. Participants will learn to design language activities (lesson plans) that help develop speaking abilities, founded on one's cultural values and worldview. At the end of the three-day workshop, participants will demonstrate to their peers a mini-lesson they created. They will learn how to provide constructive feedback as part of the process.

Participants will be required to develop and share mini-lessons that apply learned theories. Full three-day participation is required for Certificate of Completion. The workshop hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm each day (Light Breakfast & Lunch served all 3 days).

Recommended for families, parents and guardians, language program directors, administrators, tribal leaders, language advocates, school teachers and staff .

Hotel & Travel Information

PARTNERED HOTEL

Hilton Garden Inn Minneapolis University Avenue

511 SE Huron Blvd, Minneapolis, MN 55414

Limited Rooms available at \$119/night plus tax

Hotel parking is \$12/night

***You are responsible for booking your own lodging.** The Minneapolis American Indian Center is located a 10 minute drive west of partnered Hotel. Additional hotels & Airbnbs are available in the area. Visit the [Regional Workshops webpage](#) to get the link to book your room.

TRAVEL

The Hilton Garden Inn Minneapolis University Area does not offer shuttle service to Minneapolis–Saint Paul International Airport (MSP). For transportation between MSP and the hotel, consider using ride-sharing services like Uber or Lyft, or the METRO Blue and Green Lines. If you want your freedom to explore the area, enjoy more restaurants in the area or in the Twin Cities area, we suggest you rent a car.

For any questions please contact us at (505) 820-0311 or email at ili@ilinitiative.org.