





# Land Acknowledgement Project

Presented by: Phi Theta Kappa of Solano Community College



We should take a moment to acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Band of Wintun Indians, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation.

The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

*Approved by Yocha Dehe Tribal Council (July 23, 2019)*

Patwin [PUTT-win]

Cachil Dehe [CATCH-ill DEE-HEE]

Kletsel Dehe [KLET-SELL DEE-HEE]

Yocha Dehe [YO-chuh DEE-HEE]

Wintun [WIN- tune]

# Who is Beta Mu Gamma PTK chapter?

We are students who achieved a GPA of 3.5 and above and represent different backgrounds, including Filipinx pre-nursing students who battle racism in healthcare, members in the correctional educational program, international, first-generation, DACA students, student-parents, and many more. We want to acknowledge and be thankful for the learning environment we occupy and for the caretakers, the indigenous people, of this land on which our college stands.

# Purpose

By implementing this project, we want to fulfill both the missions of SCC and PTK Beta Mu Gamma chapter.

This project will support Solano Community College's mission: To educate a culturally diverse student population...Solano transforms students' lives with...lifelong-learning opportunities.

We want to recognize the impact of systemic racism and colonization by implementing a college-wide process for using a Land Acknowledgement statement.

Our Phi Theta Kappa Mission is to provide opportunities for leadership and promote activities that make a meaningful impact on the community around us. By taking on this project, it will help our Chapter cultivate our Hallmarks: scholarship, leadership, fellowship and service. It will also be an opportunity for recognition at a regional and international level. But mostly, we want to recognize the Patwin tribes and thank them for allowing us to use the land that SCC occupies today and to forge fellowship.

# Purpose

This land acknowledgement will show a commitment and passion toward healing years of colonial displacement, genocide and environmental devastation. (1)

In a message from our SCC President, she wrote, “We teach the history and culture that belongs to all of us, not just to a few...We must stand together in the struggle for justice and equality.”

We, Phi Theta Kappa of Solano Community College, recognize and stand with our Superintendent-President.

# Recommendations on implementation

1. Solano Community College Governing Board
2. Academic Senate
3. Associated Students of Solano College
4. College Governance Council
5. College-wide committees
6. Convocation
7. First class of semester
8. Course related material (i. e., syllabi, slides, etc.)
9. Email
10. Hiring Committees
11. Opening new buildings (Ribbon Cutting)
12. Other