

**SFSU NAGPRA PROGRAM**  
**Research Protocol and Confidentiality Agreement**  
**(for faculty, student, and public research)**

The SFSU NAGPRA Program will consider limited term research projects conducted on archaeological collections and documents housed at SFSU. Submission of a request may be declined due to circumstances relating to the issue listed below.

1. Researcher must submit a detailed research proposal to SFSU NAGPRA Coordinator. Research design must be accompanied by curriculum vitae.
2. Research proposal will be reviewed by SFSU NAGPRA Coordinator and Program administrator.
3. For all collections with any Native American cultural materials and/or human remains, it is the policy of the SFSU NAGPRA Program that culturally affiliated tribal members will be consulted to the fullest extent possible before the research project is approved. Standard assignment of tribal affiliation by the Bureau of Indian Affairs or State of California Native American Heritage council will be accepted as proof of tribal affiliation. Other criteria of tribal affiliation such as federal recognition status, historic and geographic affiliation will also be considered.
4. Researcher must submit a letter from culturally-affiliated tribes or individuals, approving the research, to the NAGPRA Coordinator.
5. For all collections which contain only non-Native American historic materials, only a research design is required.
6. Researchers must be aware that NAGPRA staff has limited time and resources to devote to researchers' work. Researchers must schedule time when staff is available.

**Confidentiality Agreement**

The SFSU NAGPRA Program maintains Native American archaeological collections with the utmost respect for tribal history. All researchers are expected to exhibit respect and discretion with Program information. No public disclosure of information on file at the SFSU NAGPRA Program will be made by researchers without review and approval of the disclosure of the information by the SFSU NAGPRA Program. No specific information concerning tribal histories, cultural sites, and personal interviews with tribal members will be allowed without the express permission of the culturally affiliated tribal consultants.

No public disclosure of particulars, concerning the collections documentation, will be made in compliance with the Archaeological Resource Protection Act (ARPA).

“(ARPA) prohibits public disclosure of information concerning the nature and location of archeological resources...” ([http://www.cr.nps.gov/archeology/collections/laws\\_03.htm](http://www.cr.nps.gov/archeology/collections/laws_03.htm))

It is acknowledged that the public has a right to CSU information. Public documents such as NAGPRA Notices of Inventory Completion and published reports will be made available to the public.

I have read the SFSU NAGPRA Research Protocol and the Confidentiality Agreement and agree to abide by the terms herein:

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Name and Organization

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Signed

Date

Approval:

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SFSU NAGPRA Coordinator

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Signed

Date