



FORT PECK

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Annual Report 2010-2011



A Message from the President

Dr. Shanley, President



This year marks the 33rd year of existence for the Fort Peck Community College. The past year at FPCC has been one of both challenges and successes that have allowed the institution to experience growth, expansion and to begin preparing for the future. This document summarizes the highlights of 2011 at FPCC and provides a snapshot of the hard work and dedication of the institution's faculty, staff and students.

FPCC strives to participate in and provide leadership to the social, community and economic development efforts that are occurring in our communities across the reservation and the greater northeast Montana region. The college is dedicated to the preservation of the history, culture and languages of the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes, and have partnered with the Tribes and reservation communities in addressing issues and developing programs that include health, agriculture, business, literacy, economic development and education. Although much has been accomplished, much remains to be done. It is our expectation that the college will continue to grow and develop, contributing to the future of our communities and reservation.

As we approach 2012, the college is looking at an era of unprecedented change. Western North Dakota and Northeastern Montana are the economic focal points for the entire United States. This growth will provide both opportunities and challenges. In addition, higher education is becoming more technologically driven and more essential to our long term prosperity. The college remains committed to take fearless steps for our people into the new future.

A Message from the Board of Directors

Richard Jackson, Chairman FPCC Board of Directors



In 2011, Fort Peck Community College experienced our 33rd year as a tribally-controlled community college. In 1978, the Fort Peck Tribal Executive Board had a vision of educating our families in vocational and academic studies to ensure that future generations have the necessary skills, knowledge and training to lead our families, our communities and our tribes into this next century.

FPCC's goal then and continues to be: "to develop a variety of academic and vocational programs that ensure our graduates can be gainfully employed with the soft and technical skills to be an asset to our local business and health industries, administrative agencies, or for a career within the education systems". The college continues to mature as an institution and

each year our standards for excellence continue to increase. Our graduates have achieved success in professional and academic endeavors.

This past year was marked by major achievements, all of which resulted from careful but aggressive planning over the past decade. Through the diligence of our staff, we were able to complete the student dormitory building project adjacent to the main campus in Poplar. This facility addition allows the college to provide housing options to non-local students and others whose distance from the college may have prevented them from considering attending our institution. FPCC was also notified that they were awarded funding from various governmental agencies that would allow planning and construction to begin on a new Library, Information Technology and Community Learning Center facility that will be the showpiece of the campus for decades to come. This project has been on the planning board of the institution for the past few years and will provide a great resource to the college, the reservation and the community of Poplar.

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Fort Peck Community College Academic Programs

- Business Administration
- Education
- General Studies
- Human Services
- Native American Studies
- Psychology
- Biomedical Science Degree
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Technology and Compliance
- General Studies – AS
- Pre-Health/Pre-Nursing
- Business Technology
- Computer Technology
- Accounting Technician Certificate
- Business Assistant Certificate
- Desktop Support Technician Certificate
- Graphic/Web Design – Pilot Program



Fort Peck Community College Vocational Programs

- Automotive Technology
- Building Trades
- Automotive Technician Certificate
- Building Trades Certificate
- Electrical Line Worker Certificate
- Heavy Equipment Operator Certificate
- Truck Driving Certificate
- Welding Technician Certificate



2011 Graduates Fort Peck Community College



Ackerman, Charles Landon
Associate of Applied Science • Automotive

Baker, Little Crow
Associate of Applied Science • Building Trades

Baker, Patrick D.
Certificate • Electrical Lineworker

Beaudry, Nathan
Associate of Arts • General Studies

Black, Lois M.
Associate of Applied Science • Business Technology

Brown, Jason D. Sr.
Associate of Applied Science • Building Trades

Brown, Marlon L.
Associate of Applied Science • Computer Technology

Chase, Norman M. Jr.
Certificate • Welding

Crater, Sara
Associate of Applied Science • Business Technology

DeCoteau, Crystal
Associate of Applied Science • Business Technology
Certificate • Business Assistant

DeMarrias, Frank M.
Associate of Applied Science • Business Technology
Associate of Arts • Business Administration

Deitsch, Derek Kyle
Certificate • Welding

Dionne, Brandie A.
Associate of Arts • Business Administration

Eagle, Frankie James
Associate of Applied Science • Building Trades

Eder, Russell Paul
Associate of Applied Science • Building Trades

Escarcega, Rachel Ann
Associate of Arts • General Studies

Firemoon, Ingrid Fawn
Associate of Arts • American Indian Studies

Foote, Thunderdrum
Certificate • Electrical Lineworker

Gilbertson, Cassandra Jean
Associate of Science • Computer Programming

Good Bear, Janet A.
Associate of Arts • Education

Gourneau, Megan K.
Associate of Arts • General

Grandchamp, Taurean
Certificate • Heavy Equipment
Certificate • Automotive Technician

Iwen, Ashley Rose
Associate of Arts • Education

Jackson, Melanie C.
Associate of Arts • Human Services

Lauckner, Tyson
Certificate • Welding

Linthicum, Judy
Associate of Arts • Business Administration

LaBelle, Elston
Certificate • Building Trades

Lone Bear, Nathan Dean
Associate of Applied Science • Building Trades

Long Hair, Darren
Associate of Applied Science • Computer Technology
Certificate • Desktop Support Technician

Madison, Guy
Certificate • Accounting Technician
Certificate • Business Assistant

Martell, Jessica Paige
Associate of Applied Science • Business Technology

Mudgett, Brett Lee
Associate of Arts • General Studies

Necklace, Benjamin Jerome
Certificate • Heavy Equipment

Plummer, Amber
Associate of Arts • Human Services

Plummer, Randy Dale
Associate of Science • Environmental Science

Randall, Tristan
Certificate • Electrical Lineworker

Reidiger, Jonah
Certificate • Truck Driving
Certificate • Heavy Equipment

Shields, Cami
Certificate • Desktop Support Technician

Smith, Jessica R.
Associate of Arts • General Studies

Smith, Weston D.
Associate of Applied Science • Automotive
Certificate • Automotive Technician
Certificate • Heavy Equipment

Steele, Freda
Associate of Arts • General Studies

Tuttle, Debra Elaine
Associate of Arts • American Indian Studies

Yellow Hammer, Jennifer G.
Associate of Applied Science • Small Business Management

Youngman, Kristian M.
Associate of Arts • General Studies

Youpee, Dyan Rose
Associate of Arts • American Indian Studies

White Bear, Andre
Associate of Applied Science •
Building Trades

Student Highlights

Cheri Nygard

*Business Manager,
Wolf Point Schools*



Cheri moved home to Wolf Point in 1994 after spending two years at MSU - Billings. She started taking business classes at Fort Peck Community College in January 1995. In May 1997, she received her Associate of Arts degree in Business Administration and began her Bachelor degree studies in Applied Business Management from Rocky Mountain College through a Distance Learning Collaboration with the Fort Peck Community College. She did not have to leave home or family to continue her education. She was hired as the District Clerk/Business Manager for the Brockton School in July 1997 and graduated with her Bachelor's degree in June 1998. Fort Peck Community College again entered a Distance Learning Collaboration, this time with the University of Mary. She began studying for her Executive Masters in Business Administration from the University of Mary and graduated in August 2008. In October 2008, Cheri was hired as the Director of Materials Management at Northeast Montana Health Services and received the 2010 Employee of the Year award. Even though it was a tough choice to make when she was offered the job as the Business Manager for the Wolf Point Schools, she is happy to be working in the schools again and started in August 2011. She thanks the Fort Peck Community College for their vision and mission to provide college courses and opportunities for education to the people of northeast Montana. Her goal was always to receive her MBA and Fort Peck Community College was able to help her reach that goal.

Rainey Azure

*FPCC Teacher
Training Graduate
Rocky Mountain College
Bachelor in Elementary
Education*



*Teaching: Wolf Point
Southside School - 2nd Grade*

Rainey Azure graduated from Poplar High School and within three years received her Bachelor Degree in Elementary Education from Rocky Mountain College through FPCC's Distance Learning Program. Rainey began taking courses from FPCC while still in high school and after graduation she entered FPCC full-time. When asked what made her pick FPCC she stated, "FPCC has great instructors, it's right at home and the cost is one that I can afford...I admit that I really wasn't ready to leave home and I knew I wouldn't make it without my family support so FPCC was the best choice for me and look, I'm already teaching school and many of my classmates still have a year left at the University". Rainey was selected as one of the Teacher Training program students and with the program assistance she was able to complete her four-year degree loan free and while at home with her family and in less than 4 years!

Rainey is teaching 1st grade at Wolf Point Southside school and is considered one of the top teachers in the school. One parent states, "Ms. Azure is a great teacher, since my grandson has been in her class he has caught up and doing great, they wanted to hold him back last year but with her help he is right where he needs to be."

Rainey Azure is just one case of the many exceptional teachers FPCC has helped produce and sent into the community. She resides in Wolf Point, MT with her husband Matt and children Blue & Maddie.

Student Highlights

Samuel L. Red Star

Samuel Red Star graduated from Fort Peck Community College the first time in 2007 with an AAS in Auto Mechanics and again in 2009 with an AAS in Building Trades. He also has a Class B CDL. Sam worked on



the student dorms as a student at the college. He has been employed at the college since graduation and was instrumental in the construction of the three bedroom faculty house. He is currently working for C & A Contracting on the new Library/IT Center being constructed adjacent to the main campus. According to Noel Sansaver, Facilities Director at FPCC, Sam has proven to be a self-starter in taking on the lead role in the layout of the new building.

Being a family man is what inspired Sam to go back to school when he was 39 years old. His wife, Deanna Jones also graduated from FPCC in 2009 with her business degree. They have two daughters, ages eight and six. Prior to coming back to school Sam worked as a seasonal firefighter and various odd jobs. He also drove bus for the Head Start school system.

Sam is enrolled on the Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota. Sam relocated to Fort Peck in 1982, three years after his mother moved here in 1979. His father graduated from high school and was a mechanic. His mother went as far as 11th grade. As a first generation student, Sam is a success story and an inspiration to all.

When asked if he had any words of wisdom for other students, Sam said, "Stay in school and finish what you start. I learned a lot from my instructors and I like the FPCC system."

Twilia Stafne Bear Cub

*FPCC Teacher Training
Graduate, BS from
Rocky Mountain College,
Endorsement in
Special Education*



*Masters in Special Education
from Montana State University - Billings*

Teaching: Poplar Schools, 8th Grade Special Education

She always knew she wanted to become a teacher when she realized the shortage of Native American teachers on her own reservation where she grew up. Her parents always encouraged her and her brothers to go on to become whatever they wanted to accomplish in life. With this upbringing, a blessed life, she waited until her own children were in school to finish her education.

There are many people she would like to thank for helping her achieve her goals. Parents, family, friends, were all great cheerleaders. If it wasn't for Fort Peck Community College and the distance learning program, this dream would not have become a reality. She would have never considered leaving her home, family, and way of life. With the program, she didn't have to. She had to do a few summer school stints on campus, but it was only for 6 weeks at a time. She didn't have to leave her way of life for years to attend college and get her degree work done.

Twilia achieved her AA in Education from FPCC, BS from Rocky Mountain College and an Endorsement in Special Education with a Masters Degree in Special Education from Montana State University - Billings. She has been teaching and loving her job since 2001 at Poplar Middle School, Poplar, Montana. If you love what you are doing, you never have to work another day in your life. This is Twilia Bear Cub's motto, this is what she lives.

FPCC Library/Information Technology & Community Learning Center Highlights

Fort Peck Community College has spent the past three decades investing and enhancing its academic and vocational offerings. The board members and administrators continue to recognize the need for expansion of the college's physical facilities and student amenities to attract and accommodate more students from a larger geographic region. This forward thinking secured funding from Title III (\$300,000), U.S. Dept of HUD (\$800,000), and an FPCC Match (\$200,000) for a total project cost of \$1,300,000 for phase one of the Library/IT center. FPCC held a traditional ground breaking ceremony on June 22, 2011 and construction began in July. Architects, contractors and local construction workers are involved in the construction. The first phase will begin with an open veranda that will welcome students and visitors to the 6,000 sq. ft. library with private study carrels, wireless network, digital resources and hard copy books for entertainment and study. A large community classroom will accommodate students, faculty, staff and community members with digital resources, computer technology and a quality learning space for study and remedial education. This phase of construction has been designed to add on the IT Center and Tribal Archives. It is projected in the year 2013 that the Auditorium will be added on to complete the overall facility.



Ground Breaking Ceremony (Left to right): Larry Wetsit - Community Services • Anita Scheetz - FPCC Librarian • Noel Sansaver - Facilities Director • Craig Smith - Institutional Development • Roxanne Bighorn - FPCC Board Member • Dr. James Shanley - FPCC President • Dale DeCoteau - FPCC Board Member • Tony Shields - FPCC Board Member • Richard Jackson - FPCC Board Chairman • Dan Williams - Project Superintendent

Site Preparation for Library/IT Center: Project superintendent and workers preparing site for Library/IT Center



FPCC Faculty Housing Highlights

As a part of the college expansion, FPCC found they needed a recruitment tool to entice future faculty and staff to become a part of our FPCC family. The Board of Directors decided to go after funding to build faculty housing. The end result was a single family unit complete with three bedrooms, two baths, full basement, a double car garage, fenced in yard and patio, and complete landscaping. The second unit is a single family town house duplex. These are two bedroom/two bath units, complete with a full basement, double car garage, fenced in yard and patio and complete landscaping. Funding sources for this project came from the U.S. Dept. of HUD (\$800,000), FPCC-EC match (\$9,180) for a total project cost of \$809,180. Architects, contractors, and the students of the building trades division completed this project in June 2011. The units were ready for occupancy in the fall of 2011. FPCC regards these facilities as a meaningful faculty and staff recruitment incentive provided to NE Montana.



FPCC Co-Ed Dormitory Project Highlights

With a growing number of students wishing to attend Fort Peck Community College it was decided by the FPCC Board of Directors to build co-ed student housing to meet those needs. Funding for the project came from U.S. Department of HUD (\$600,000), USDA-RD (\$200,000) and an FPCC Match for (\$87,195) for a total project cost of (\$887,195). Architects, various local contractors, and specialty contractors were used in the planning and construction; and under the direction of the building trade's instructor, FPCC students were able to get some real world experience under their belts and satisfaction of a job well done. The project was completed in June 2010 and occupancy began that fall. The dormitory has 10 double occupancy rooms and a single room for the R. A. This facility is safe, secure, accessible, and affordable. Complete with state of the art technology, a kitchen and commons area, on-site laundering facilities, handicap accessibility, and within close proximity to the main campus; it is an attractive addition to our growing campus. Fort Peck Community College believes that a strong and healthy learning environment will provide the cornerstone for success.

FPCC Statement of Revenues and Expense Comparison
For The Year Ended September 30, 2010

	General	Student Financial Aid	Endowment	Non-Major Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES					
Federal grants	\$2,440,840.00	\$884,861.00	\$0.00	\$4,031,379.00	\$7,357,080.00
State grants	\$272,552.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$427,361.00	\$699,913.00
Private foundation grants	\$6,694.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$289,642.00	\$296,336.00
College match	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,745.00	\$8,745.00
Tuition and fees	\$766,429.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$766,429.00
Charges for goods & services	\$154,454.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$154,454.00
Investment earnings	\$27,288.00	\$0.00	\$59,945.00	\$0.00	\$87,233.00
Miscellaneous	\$156,190.00	\$0.00	\$27,283.00	\$0.00	\$183,473.00
Indirect cost recovery	\$178,456.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$178,456.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$4,002,903.00	\$884,861.00	\$87,228.00	\$4,757,127.00	\$9,732,119.00
EXPENDITURES					
Administration	\$517,653.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$141,906.00	\$659,859.00
Institutional support	\$639,175.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$639,175.00
Academic	\$1,020,486.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$871,518.00	\$1,892,004.00
Vocational	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$815,170.00	\$815,170.00
Student services	\$258,517.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$312,209.00	\$570,726.00
Financial aid	\$70,519.00	\$884,861.00	\$0.00	\$256,979.00	\$1,212,359.00
Community services	\$6,694.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,215,228.00	\$1,221,922.00
Library	\$96,179.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$81,083.00	\$177,262.00
Information technology	\$157,517.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$157,517.00
Wellness center	\$59,130.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,130.00
Daycare	\$124,410.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$68,756.00	\$193,166.00
Research	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$167,510.00	\$167,510.00
Facilities and services	\$651,300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$80,674.00	\$731,974.00
Endowment Match	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,094.00	\$0.00	\$9,094.00
Dormitory	\$7,727.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,727.00
Indirect Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$178,456.00	\$178,456.00
Capital Outlay	\$88,568.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$567,638.00	\$656,206.00
Debt service	\$35,505.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,505.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,733,380.00	\$884,861.00	\$9,394.00	\$4,757,127.00	\$9,384,762.00

Contributors to Fort Peck Community College

Government agencies, private foundation & organizations, businesses and individuals

- A.D. Creative Group
- Airport Golf Club
- Allegiance Life & Health
- American Indian College Fund
- American Indian Services
- American Legion Club of Poplar
- Apollo, Inc.
- Associated Students of Chemawa
- Blue Rock Beverages
- Brockton Teachers Association
- Brunelle's Pest Control
- C.A. Contracting
- Buckhorn Café
- Cat's Paw Electric
- Cattlemen's Cut
- Culbertson Plumbing
- Curtiss Farm & Auto
- Dad's Bar
- Dale's Plumbing and Heating
- Doc'Z
- Eddie Bauer's Sales
- Farmer's Union Lumber
- First Community Bank
- Fort Peck, Inc.
- Fox Solutions
- G & S Construction
- Gaffaney's of Williston
- Hi-Line Wholesale
- High Plains Motors
- Hulsing & Associates
- Immaculate Conception Church/Wolf Point
- Independence Bank
- Isurus Market/Dr. Janine Pease
- J.B. McNeil
- Kirn Survey
- Lilly Endowment, Inc.
- Long Insurance Agency
- Lumina Foundation
- Mark P. Storti
- McDonald's
- MDU Resources Foundation
- Montana Bar
- Montana Board of Regents
- Montana Dakota Utilities
- Montana Governor's Office of Community Service
- Montana Office of Public Instruction
- Montana Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education
- Montana University System
- National Endowment for the Humanities
- National Institute of Health
- National Science Foundation
- Northeast Montana Health Services
- Nemont Telephone Cooperative
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- Paul's Glass
- Proctor Scholarship/Samuel Proctor
- RJS & Associates
- Robert Quam Scholarship
- Smith & Associates
- Student Assistance Foundation
- TJ's Quik Stop
- Tom & Marilyn Simpson
- Tom Rogers
- UBS Financial Services
- United Insurance
- United States Department of Agriculture
- United States Department of Education
- United States Department of Energy
- United States Department of Health and Human Services
- United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
- United States Department of Transportation
- USDA Rural Development
- Vision Net, Inc.
- Wally's Grocery
- Wohlenberg Ritzman & Co.
- Wolf Point Glass
- Wolf Point Sand & Gravel



Mission Statement

FPCC serves the people of the Fort Peck Reservation and northeastern Montana as a medium of Indian awareness, enabling increased self-awareness.

The College offers an academic program that enables students to earn credits in college courses designed to transfer to other institutions of post-secondary and higher education.

The College serves the constituency of the reservation populations by maintaining an occupational training program based on the needs of the people living on and near the reservation and on potential employment opportunities available in the region.

The College serves the people by initiating and supporting community activities and organizations based on the needs and wishes of community members.

Goals & Objectives

To make area residents more employable, and to improve employee efficiency within local businesses, industries and agencies, Fort Peck Community College has developed a variety of academic and vocational programs. Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees are offered as well as Associate of Applied Science and several vocational certificate programs. In conjunction with Rocky Mountain College and Montana State University—Northern, the Teacher Training Program allows students to acquire a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education.



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