

Education

The Cherokee Language

The Cherokee language immersion class will be offered July 20 - 31, 2009.

This ten-day class will teach conversational Cherokee language using the Total Physical Response Method and the Rassius Method developed at Dartmouth. Open to the general public ages 16 and up, the class costs \$500. For information, contact Bo Taylor at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian by phone at 1-828-497-3481 or by email at botaylor@cherokeemuseum.org. To register and pay, contact Sharon Littlejohn by phone or by email at littlejohn@cherokeemuseum.org. The Museum's first Cherokee language immersion class was offered in 2003 for tribal members through a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

The class will be led by Bo Taylor, along with at least one Cherokee elder in every class session. The ten-day class focuses on immersing participants in Cherokee language through classroom activities, interaction with elders, and field trips. The class will not cover reading and writing Cherokee using Sequoyah's syllabary. Participants will be responsible for their own room and board. For more info on accommodations in the area, go to www.cherokee-nc.com. College credit is not offered for this course.

Bo Taylor works as Archivist at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian and also lectures on Cherokee music, dance and spirituality. He has studied Cherokee language with Robert Bushyhead and Walker Calhoun for more than ten years and is dedicated to the preservation of the Cherokee language. He has a Bachelor's degree in Anthropology with a minor in Cherokee Studies from Western Carolina University. He has taught Cherokee language at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, in the Cherokee History and Culture Institute, and through the Cultural Resources Office of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. He also dances with the Warriors of AniKituhwa.

Cherokee History and Culture Institute--Registration Info and Syllabus

Cherokee History and Culture Institute

Museum of the Cherokee Indian and Western Carolina University

July 13 - July 18, 2009

This intensive six-day course for educators covers archaeology, folklore, history, and linguistics. Experiences with the Cherokee community are combined with classroom discussions. See syllabus and registration info below.

ANTH 493/593 Call numbers are respectively 50784/50785 The Museum of the Cherokee Indian will offer the eleventh annual "Cherokee History and Culture Institute," from July 13 - July 18, 2009. Sponsored by the museum and initiated by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, this institute combines academic learning with experiences in the Cherokee community.

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