The Native American Educational and Cultural Center, the School of Interdisciplinary Studies, the Indigenous and Endangered Languages Lab, and the Department of History Present:

**Restoring Silent Voices:**

**Revitalizing Native American Languages**

A talk by:

**Wilhelm Meya**, co-founder and executive director of The Language Conservancy and the Lakota Language Consortium

Lawson Hall (LWSN) B151

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Every five months, another Native American language is lost forever. Today, only 2% of Native Americans are fluent in their language, nearly all elders. Most languages have only a handful of speakers left. It is a crisis. And yet there is hope. Since 2005, The Language Conservancy has worked with more than a dozen tribes to help save their languages. TLC has demonstrated that Native American languages can be revitalized. But the work can’t be done only in the classroom (Wil Meya).