

IGSA Summer Newsletter

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Success Story

Cornell Powwow is Back!



Save the Date:

May 1, 2027

Barton Hall

Free Entry

Accessible Event

Open to the Public

More details coming soon! See the last page of the newsletter for background on the Powwow



Community Updates

Welcome Back Picnic

We are so grateful for your participation in our Welcome Back Picnic! We got to hear about everyone's summer, and IGSA Member Crystal Fowler shared her designs for the Cornell Powwow Logo. Thanks to all who provided feedback!

Powwow Logo Reveal

Your votes are in!!

Crystal designed the logo to resemble the outline of a powwow circle, with the Hiawatha Belt embedded within it. This honors the fact that the Cornell Powwow takes place on Haudenosaunee homelands. The fire within the circle reflects the theme of the 2027 Cornell Powwow: Rekindling the Flame





Upcoming Events & Programs Calendar

Here is a detailed look at our upcoming schedule. We invite you to join us in community!

**SEPT
24**

Show & Tell

We're excited to bring our community together for a fun and casual Show & Tell event! Come share something meaningful, interesting, or just plain fun with others, whether it's a favorite object, hobby, creative project, collection, story, or something you're passionate about. Just bring something you'd like to share and come ready to learn more about the people around you!

**OCT
06**

Autumn Gathering

Get cozy with us for a fall evening featuring a screening of *Over the Garden Wall*! Come enjoy this beloved autumn classic with friends, warm spiced cider, and plenty of seasonal atmosphere. Whether you're a longtime fan or have never seen it before, settle in and join us for a cozy night of spooky stories, strange adventures, and fall fun.

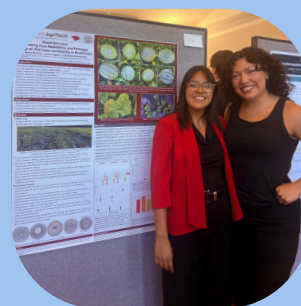
Stay tuned for the rest of our Fall semester updates and events coming soon!



Shining a Light on Our Members

Kaitlin Diggins

Over the Summer, Kaitlin spent time harvesting 3000+ cantaloupes, presenting at Plant Health in Rhode Island, presenting at the Boyce Thompson Institute in August, and mentoring her summer scholar Alexis (pictured) on muskmelon research!





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Cheyenne Reuben-Thomas

This summer, Cheyenne officially entered her dissertation analysis and writing phase! She also attended a Tribal Pollinator workshop in Washington State with the Spokane Tribe, where she gained knowledge and skills that she's excited to bring back to her community to strengthen pollinator projects on the reservation. Outside of work, she and her partner explored Joshua Tree National Park, and she tried her first Dodger Dog at Dodger Stadium. She also spent some time visiting long-distance friends this summer, which left her feeling refreshed and inspired as she heads into the fall!



Your impact!

IGSA by the numbers

We know the IGSA community is more than just a number, but enjoy these quick IGSA stats!

71

MEMBERS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

We have some fun Fall activities headed your way soon with more to come!

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TABLING EVENTS

IGSA has tabled at around six events this past year and is looking forward to more!





Shining a Light on Our Members Celeste Groux

This summer, Celeste presented her work at her first Operations Research conference, visited her friend in NYC, discovered my new favourite musical, and learned the pottery process from throwing to glazing!



Look forward!

Cornell Powwow Specifics

After years of dormancy, the Cornell Powwow is returning to campus in Spring 2027! With the theme "Rekindling the Flame".

IGSA is proud to play a central role in bringing this gathering back to campus. Working alongside partners across Cornell, including OISE and the American Indian and Indigenous Studies Program, IGSA is helping coordinate the planning, community engagement, fundraising, and logistics needed to make the Powwow possible. This effort is rooted in a desire to strengthen Indigenous presence at Cornell and create a space where Indigenous students, community members, families, and visitors can come together in celebration.

The Powwow will honor the rich Indigenous history and presence of the region, including the Gayogó:non? (Cayuga Nation) and the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, while welcoming Indigenous communities from across the region and beyond. More than simply bringing back a longstanding Cornell tradition, this Powwow is an opportunity to rekindle relationships, strengthen community, and create a lasting gathering place for Indigenous people on campus.

We are grateful to everyone helping us bring this vision to life and excited to welcome you to this special gathering!



Get Involved Today

Use the QR code to access our Powwow Website

Ready to help? Consider joining the Powwow Planning Committee. Fill out this [Interest Form](#).

A gift today helps us plan for tomorrow.

We are fundraising to make sure the Cornell Powwow is here to stay! Our website will contain info for donations and sponsorships, so spread the word!