



In partnership with Indiana University Bloomington repositories and with support from the Office of the Vice Provost for Research, the Institute for Advanced Study has awarded a Summer Repository Research Fellowship to support immersive collections research. This initiative is intended to support research in the rich collections of the IU Bloomington campus and to build partnerships between scholars at and beyond IUB. The recipient of the fellowship for this inaugural year of the program is Benjamin J. Barnes.

**Benjamin Barnes**, Second Chief of the Shawnee Tribe, will be working with the Glenn A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology's Great Lakes and Ohio Valley Ethnohistory Collection. These materials cover history and land use of tribes and groups in those regions from the 1600s until the late 1900s. These materials are of great import to a joint project of the Shawnee Tribe and the Eastern Shawnee Tribe, who are collaborating to create a Shawnee-hosted digital library of Shawnee materials.

Barnes, who also serves as the Co-Director of the Shawnee Language Preservation Project, will also be visiting IU's Archives of Traditional Music to review their Shawnee audio materials. His plan is to survey the material to see how it might be used by members of the Shawnee Tribe, but also to see what knowledge he and other Shawnee community members may be able to offer to enhance the information in and about this collection.

Benjamin Barnes is collaborating with the directors of the Glenn Black Lab and the Mathers Museum, April Sievert and Jason Baird Jackson, and Glenn Black Lab staff member Wayne Huxhold. His residency on Bloomington campus covers the week of July 6th through 10<sup>th</sup> and the week of August 3<sup>rd</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015. He will make a presentation about his research project at the Glenn Black Lab during the week of August 3-7.

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