



# CANKDESKA CIKANA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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Bio sketch for Cynthia Lindquist...

Dr. Lindquist has served as President of Cankdeska Cikana (Little Hoop) Community College (CCCC) since 2003 when she was recruited to come home by elders to be the President. She has quadrupled the campus in her 19 years as President, doubled enrollment and graduation, and has 18 years of audits with no findings. Most important to her is that the College has good data and provides an annual report to its stakeholders.

Dr. Lindquist completed a doctorate degree from the University of North Dakota in Educational Leadership in 2006 as a Bush Foundation Leadership Fellow and has a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of South Dakota with an emphasis on tribal health systems. Her bachelor's degree is in Indian Studies/English from the University of North Dakota.

Currently, Dr. Lindquist serves on the North Dakota Ethics Commission; the Executive Committee for the American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC); the American Indian College Fund Board of Trustees; and the North Dakota News Cooperative. She also serves on the Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (CEOSE), a Congressionally-mandated advisory committee for the National Science Foundation (NSF). Dr. Lindquist is also a Peer Reviewer (accreditation) for the Higher Learning Commission.

President Lindquist is member of the Spirit Lake Dakota Tribe and she has two Dakota names – Hoton Ho Waste Winyan means Good Voice or Good Talk Woman that was her great grandmother's name and Ta'Šunka Wicahpi Winyan that translates Star Horse Woman that was given to her by a Canadian medicine man for her work at the national level on traditional medicine and the Indian Health Service.

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