



2016-2021 Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP)
Ethical Decision-Making (EDM)
Tues 1 December 2020 Weekly Progress Report

ETHICAL DECISION MAKING

QUALITY ENHANCEMENT PLAN (QEP)
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Step 2 - Identify options.
Step 3 - Consider consequences for yourself and others.
Step 4 - Make an ethical choice and take appropriate action.

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The slide above reads: "Our SPC Ethical Decision-making steps 1) Stop and think to determine the facts; 2) Identify options; 3) Consider consequences for yourself and others; 4) Make an ethical choice and take appropriate action." and "Core Values of the Alamo Colleges: Students First; Respect for All; Community Engaged; Collaboration; Can-Do Spirit; Data-Informed" (Internal note: The statement above was added for Quality Matters (QM) and for Universal Design compliance.)

November is National Native American Heritage Month: <https://www.bia.gov/national-native-american-heritage-month-2019>, declared by President Trump <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/presidential-proclamation-national-native-american-heritage-month-2019/>

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- Louise Erdrich
American Author
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Weekly Tip!

Submitted by Dr. Marie Pannier Feldmeier, Assistant Professor. Louise Erdrich: "Life will break you. No one can protect you from that. And living alone won't either, for solitude will also break you with its yearning. You have to love. You have to feel. It's the reason you are here on Earth." Biographical information from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louise_Erdrich is at the end of this report.

Student engagement: *What Would You Do* scenarios. Dr. Angela McPherson Williams (Dr. Mac), Director of Student Success and the Department of Student Life.

Community Awareness: Advisory meeting presentations

Business Advisory: Wed 25 November, 2 pm. Revis Bell; Dean Orozco; and representatives from HEB, Texas Capital Bank, and St. Paul United Methodist Church, among others, comprised the 16 participants. Dr. Celestino Valentín, Dr. Manzo.

Assessments: Online QEP 1) constituent; and 2) event surveys created. Dr. Melissa Guerrero, Director of Institutional Research. 25 and 17 respondents. <https://survey.alamo.edu/Survey.aspx?s=439c10d5f8e14e7cafe541f73aba507b>

Faculty and Staff Professional Development: 2020 Two-Year Ethics Bowl results: First Place: Santa Fe College; Second Place: Snow College. Since Santa Fe College won the Two-Year College Ethics Bowl, they earned a berth at the Four-Year Annual Championship. Additionally: Since Snow College won the Wasatch Regional, their team will also be competing at the Four-Year Annual Championship. Both Santa Fe and Snow Colleges will compete in the Four-Year

Annual Ethics Bowl Championship.

Ongoing Assessment: Personal & Social Responsibility Inventory II

PSRI II, post-Test: M 11/9-F 12/11. M 11/17: 90 surveys completed.
Due to fully Remote semester, 2020 PSRI-II began 7 days earlier than in 2019,
so this year's PSRI-II will be open 7 days longer than in 2019.

Review of PSRI-I Assessments: 2019 and 2020

2020: F 8/21-F 10/2: M 8/31: 460; F 9/11: 642; R 9/17: 705; R 9/24: 798; M 9/28: 857; F 10/2: 928 surveys completed;
due to fully remote semester extended to Fri 10/2 (14 days).

2019: F 8/23-F 9/20; 1157 surveys completed.

Note: 2019 had 229 more surveys completed than in 2020; 2020 was our first fully remote semester.

Publicity: Emails sent directly to students regarding PSRI-I and -II surveys;

TigerPRESS also announces PSRI-I and -II; PSRI-I poster. Liz Castillo, Johnny Rodriguez, Alexa Saavedra, Larry Lopez.

Upcoming Tasks, Events, and Initiatives

Community Awareness: Presentations to Advisory and Orientation meetings

Early Childhood and Family Sciences Advisory: Wed 2 December, 2 pm. Amy Huebner.

2021 Early Childhood and Family Sciences Program Orientation: Wed 20 January, 6 pm. Amy Huebner.

Archives for Weekly Progress; Mid-Year; and Annual Reports, 2016 January to Present

<https://www.alamo.edu/spc/about-spc/strategic-plan/quality-enhancement-plan-qep/about-qep/>

SPC updates: <https://www.alamo.edu/spc/> | SPC Mission, vision, and values <https://www.alamo.edu/spc/about-spc/strategic-plan/mission-vision-and-valuesstrategic-plan/>

QEP homepage: <https://www.alamo.edu/spc/qep> | All sessions conducted via Zoom

Brief biography of the author of the quote:

1954: born in [Little Falls, Minnesota](#), oldest of seven children born to Ralph Erdrich, a German-American, and Rita (née Gourneau), a Chippewa woman of half Ojibwe and half French Heritage, both of whom teach at the [Bureau of Indian Affairs](#) boarding school in [Wahpeton, North Dakota](#); her maternal grandfather, Patrick Gourneau, served as tribal chairman for the federally recognized [Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians](#) tribe for many years. Not raised in a reservation, often visits relatives there, raised "with all the accepted truths" of Catholicism; father pays her a nickel for every story she writes. Her sister Heidi becomes a poet, under the name of [Heid E. Erdrich](#); another sister, Lise Erdrich, writes children's books and collections of fiction and essays.
1976: graduates from [Dartmouth College](#) part of the first class of women admitted to the College.
1979: graduates with Master of Arts program from the [Johns Hopkins University](#).
1982: wins the Nelson Algren fiction award for the short story "The World's Greatest Fisherman."
1984: expands the story into the novel *Love Medicine*, wins the National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction.

Awards[edit]

- 1975 American Academy of Poets Prize^[16]
- 1980 MacDowell Fellowship^[45]
- 1983 Pushcart Prize in Poetry^[46]
- 1984 National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction, for *Love Medicine*^[28]
- 1984 Sue Kaufman Prize for Best First Novel, for *Love Medicine*^[9]
- 1984 Virginia McCormick Scully Literary Award d for Best Book of 1984 dealing with Indians or Chicanos^[9]
- 1985 *Los Angeles Times* book Prize^[12]Joy Harjo
- 1985 Guggenheim Fellowship in Creative Arts
- 1987 O. Henry Award, for the short story "Fleur" (published in *Esquire*, August 1986)^[48]
- 1999 World Fantasy Award, for *The Antelope Wife*^[49]
- 2000 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Native Writers' Circle of the Americas^[50]
- 2005 Associate Poet Laureate of North Dakota^[51]
- 2006 Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction, for the children's book "The Game of Silence"^[52]
- 2007 Honorary Doctorate from the University of North Dakota; refused by Erdrich because of her opposition to the university's North Dakota Fighting Sioux mascot^[53]
- 2009 Honorary Doctorate (Doctor of Letters) from Dartmouth College^{[54][55]}
- 2009 Kenyon Review Award for Literary Achievement^[56]
- 2009 Anisfield-Wolf Book Award, for Plague of Doves^[57]
- 2012 National Book Award for Fiction for *The Round House*^{[58][59]}
- 2013 Rough Rider Award^[60]
- 2013 Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction for *Chickadee*
- 2014 Dayton Literary Peace Prize, Richard C. Holbrooke Distinguished Achievement Award^[61]
- 2014 PEN/Saul Bellow Award for Achievement in American Fiction^[62]
- 2015 Library of Congress Prize for American Fiction^[6]
- 2016 National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction, for *LaRose*^[63]

Selected Publications: see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louise_Erdrich
