

NAGPRA CLAIM & REQUEST FORM

1. Is this a claim or request? (Please select one.)

- Claim
- Request

“**Claims**” seek to establish kin or cultural affiliation to collections of human remains and associated funerary objects (if any) or cultural objects under 43 C.F.R. § 10.10 and § 10.14 of the regulations.

“**Requests**” are the result of substantiated claims, OR may:

- Seek the repatriation of collections of human remains and associated funerary objects (if any) or cultural objects whose kin or cultural affiliation has already been determined, OR
- Seek the disposition of collections of human remains and associated funerary objects (if any) that originated in states and counties where a federally recognized Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization has tribal or aboriginal land status under 43 C.F.R. § 10.11.

2. On what basis are you making the claim or request? (Please select one.)

- Lineal Descent or Kin Affiliation
- Cultural Affiliation
- Tribal Land Status
- Aboriginal Land Status

“**Tribal**” and “**Aboriginal Land Status**” can only be used in requesting the disposition of human remains and associated funerary objects (if any) that have been classified as “culturally unidentified” (43 C.F.R. § 10.11).

3. What is being claimed or requested? (Please select as many as applicable.)

- Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects (if any)
- Unassociated Funerary Objects
- Sacred Objects
- Objects of Cultural Patrimony

4. What type of claim or request is this? (Please select one.)

- Individual
- Supportive
- Joint

“**Individual**” — submitted by lineal descendant(s) or a single federally recognized Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

“**Supportive**” — submitted by a single federally recognized Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization acting in a lead role. Those tribes supporting the lead claimant or requestor will need to submit letters of support. These letters can be appended to the claim/request form or mailed directly to the NAGPRA Project Manager.

“**Joint**” — submitted by multiple federally recognized Indian tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations that are acting co-equally within a claim or request. Tribes involved in a joint claim or request must also complete and append a copy of the **Supplemental Signature Page for Jointly Submitted Claims and Requests**.

5. What specific collection(s) or object(s) are you claiming or requesting?

Your list should include specific reference data. Any combination of the following would be acceptable: Site Names, State/County of Origin, Site ID Numbers, Catalogue Numbers, Accession Numbers, etc. You may attach a document if the space provided is insufficient.

If you are seeking dispositions of human remains and associated funerary objects (if any) classified as “culturally unidentified,” you can indicate more generally that you are seeking the disposition of all collections and objects from states/counties where you have tribal or aboriginal land status, then list those states and counties.

In cases where claimants are seeking to consult on cultural objects (i.e., unassociated funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony) where kin or cultural affiliation has yet to be determined, you may simply list categories of objects as listed in inventories and summaries the University provided. For example: “Drums,” “Anishinaabe drums,” or “drums from the Great Lakes area.”

6. Who is making the claim or request?

Provide the name(s) of the lineal descendant(s) or kin submitting the claim/request and the contact information for someone to serve as a point-of-contact.

Provide the name(s) of federally recognized the Indian tribe(s)/Native Hawaiian organization(s) submitting the claim/request and the contact information for someone to serve as a point-of-contact.

Signature of NAGPRA Designee

Printed Name

Name of Tribe

Date

This form should be signed by the Governing Authority or a duly authorized NAGPRA Designee of the federally recognized Indian tribe(s)/Native Hawaiian organization(s) submitting the claim/request.

You may complete, scan, and submit this form by email as an attachment, or you may print it out and mail it to the address below. Please be sure to send all necessary attachments as applicable. Please also include paperwork from the tribe's Governing Authority that confirms you have the authority to oversee NAGPRA-related issues for the tribe; or indicate that this paperwork is already on file with the University of Michigan and it is still current.

PLEASE NOTE: This form is not required to submit a claim or request. However, all claims or requests must be made in writing, contain specific information, and be signed by the lineal descendant(s) submitting the claim/request, or the Governing Authority or authorized NAGPRA Designee of the federally recognized Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization submitting the claim/request.

The University reserves the right to verify all data included as part of a claim or request before accepting it.

Please return this form by email to bsecunda@umich.edu

or by mail to:

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