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## **Department of Diné Education hires Program Supervisor for the Office of the Navajo Nation Library**

The Department of Diné Education (DODE) would like to welcome a Program Supervisor for the Office of the Navajo Nation Library (ONNL). Donovan Pete joins the DODE team to lead the ONNL.

Donovan Pete's clans are Naakaii Diné nilj. Dzilt'aah Dine'é Kinyaa'aanii yáshishchíín. Ma'ii Deeshgizhnii bhicheii. Na'toh Diné Tachii'nii bináí. He is originally from and currently resides in Smith Lake, N.M. Mr. Pete has a Master of Arts degree (MA) in Library and Information Science from the University of Arizona. The program he graduated from is American Librarian Association (ALA) accredited. He also completed a second MA degree in Linguistics focusing on Native American Languages in July 2020.

Mr. Pete has over 5 years of direct work experience in the field of Library Science. These jobs include a Project Archivist and Technical and Research Fellow at the Museum of Indian Art and Culture. He served as a Temporary Program Supervisor at Torreon Community Library and a Library Communications Assistant at the University of Arizona Libraries. Mr. Pete's graduate work at the University of Arizona's Department of Linguistics and Knowledge River programs add to his work experience in the field of Library Science.

Mr. Pete states, "I am very privileged and excited to assist in informing, engaging, and connecting our Diné through innovative programming, robust collections, and engaging yet accessible services through the Office of Navajo Nation Library."