New course

A new course, "Tlingit Culture Through the Language," has just been completed at the Juneau-Douglas Community College. The regular three-credit course was part of the spring offering in anthropology.

Katherine Mills of Hoonah introduced the new writing system for Tlingit and presented a basic vocabulary. Walter Williams of Juneau then took this vocabulary and showed how it was used in daily life and the relationship between language and culture.

Dr. Boy Collier organized the course to give the people of Juneau an opportunity to understand the Tlingit way of life through the eyes of those who live it. The course was so successful, that plans are now under way to offer a similar course in the fall.

Dr. Robert Evans, director of the college, said that in the future the college hopes to be able to employ more Natives in programs for cross-cultural understanding.