

North American Association of Summer Sessions



The holidays are here, and we hope you are enjoying the season with family and friends. Here's what's going on around NAASS during the most wonderful time of the year.

Social Media Holiday Special

- It's the holidays, which means our offices are decked with lights, trees, candy canes and more.
- Send the best pictures of your office holiday decorations to naass@naass.org and we'll feature them on the NAASS <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> pages!
- Don't forget to join the NAASS <u>LinkedIn</u> group which is a great way to connect with higher education colleagues from around North America.

Member Feature

- This month, we are featuring a Q&A with NAASS member Angie Clark.
- Take a look at the member feature below which discusses Angie's experience in summer sessions at Bemidji State University and highlights her dedication to NAASS!



Q. What university do you work at, and what is your role?

Angie Clark: I work at Bemidji State University in Minnesota and I am the summer program director. I work with faculty to provide them structure on how to offer summer courses, and I also do a lot of marketing to make sure students enroll. I am also the point person for all the summer conferences, camps, and workshops in the summer, and facilitate a number of camps or partner with groups to offer precollege programs.

Q: What's your favorite part of your job?

Angie Clark: I have amazing co-workers - Bemidji State is a nice place

to work, and certainly my favorite part of my job is providing experiences for people. I love bringing people to

campus in the summer, so they can learn something new or leave with a feeling of connection to our campus.

Q: What are some unique summer programs that Bemidji State offers?

Angie Clark: Bemidji State offers a Scrubs Camp for high school students, which gives freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors the opportunity to experience hands-on training in the health care industry and meet health care professionals from around the region. Additionally, Bemidji State offers the Ojibwe Language Immersion Camp which is a program also offered to high school students who have a desire to learn more about the first people of Minnesota. Students capture the essence of Ojibwe culture with an intensive language program and read books, attend workshops and discuss shared assumptions about culture and communication.

Q: How long have you been part of NAASS? What's your role in the organization?

Angie Clark: I've been part of NAASS since I began my position at Bemidji State in 2013. I have been a bit more integrated at the regional level, serving as a member at large, membership chair, and conference chair. I served as membership chair for NAASS for one year.

Q: What are some of your hobbies and things you like to do outside of work? Angie Clark:

- Running: fitness, pacing, racing
- Yoga: asana, pranayama, pratyahara and more
- Group Fitness: strength training, cardio, old school aerobics
- Baking: Mostly cupcakes, but I plan to make my way through all of the recipes in Candace Nelson's, Sprinkles Baking Book
- Sewing: dolls, tote bags, stockings, holiday ornaments
- Traveling: currently obsessed with Oregon (thanks to NAASS, Portland 2018)
- Wine tastings, wine and paint parties, winery tours

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