

# SU professor to direct Great Law of Peace Educational Center

Philip P. Arnold, associate professor of religion and director of the Native Studies Program in Syracuse University's College of Arts and Sciences, has been appointed founding director of the Great Law of Peace Educational Center. The center will be located on the former site of the Sainte Marie Among the Iroquois museum, which commemorates the French-fortified mission that occupied Onondaga Lake from 1656-1658.

The Great Law of Peace Educational Center will tell the Indigenous story of the Haudenosaunee, also known

as the Iroquois Confederacy. Arnold hopes the center will educate and inspire primarily non-Haudenosaunee people about the importance of the Great Law Peace - the oral constitution that has governed the Haudenosaunee for over a thousand years - and how it has influenced the unique form of democracy that U.S. citizens cherish today.

The center will be overseen by the Onondaga Historical Association, in collaboration with the Onondaga Nation, Onondaga County, SU, and other neighboring educational institutions.