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MISSOULA, Mont. ---

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS
FOR INDIANS UNDER WAY
AT UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Fifteen secretaries from a three-state area are participating in the Indian Community Action Program (ICAP) secretarial workshop at the University of Montana here.

The 10-day program continues through Dec. 19. It is under the direction of the UM School of Business Administration. Participants are from Idaho, Wyoming and Montana.

Robert J. Swan, <u>Box Elder</u>, a member of the Chippewa-Cree Tribe on the Rocky Boy Reservation, said the purpose of the workshop "is to upgrade the skills of the secretaries and to aid in developing their careers."

This is the second year on the Missoula campus for the ICAP, which also has conducted workshops dealing with manpower development training, management, alcoholism, and Head Start Workshops in the areas of career development, parental involvement, upgrading skills of teachers and teachers aides, and bilingual programs.

Swan, who is a Community Action Program (CAP) management specialist, said the ICAP has met with considerable success "in aiding the Indians in their careers and upgrading the lives of Indians on reservations."

As part of the 10-day secretarial workshop there will be an accounting workshop Dec. 15-19 and a management workshop Dec. 17-19 at the University. William Patton, an assistant professor of business administration at UM, is director of the three programs.

The educational programs for Indians under way at UM are under the auspices of Dr. James F. Hall, director of the UM Division of Indian Services, and coordinator of extension and continuing education, and Henry Penney of the Nez Perce Reservation in <u>Idaho</u>. Penney is executive director of the ICAP on campus.

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Workshop participants and the reservations where they live include:

Montana--Fort Peck--Verne E. Gibbs, a CAP director, and Collins Rising Sun, Clarice Longtree. Crow--Bernard Cummins, a CAP director, and Rene F. Lefthand, Janice Little Light, Clarice Denny, Lloyd Pickett. Ft. Belknap--Sharon Shortman, Francis Briggs. Blackfoot--Esther Farwell, Lynn Triplett, Betty Hall, Tom Tailfeathers, Margaret Brown. Flathead--John Williams, a CAP director, and Gene Sorell, Clara Charlo. Northern Cheyenne--Irvin Redfox, a CAP director, and Delma Redneck, Sara Windsor.

Idaho--Nez Perce--Dennis Peterson, a CAP director, and Merle Powauker, Stella James, Bernice Lawrence, James E. Arthur.

<u>Wyoming--Wind River Reservation--Vivian Chingman</u>, Sharon Hereford, Geraldine Pantzatanga, Arlene Chavez.