

Bitsé Siléi (Core Values)

The NTU core values are in addition to its mission, vision, and philosophy statements, and help guide the university's day-to-day operations. They apply to students, faculty, staff, and the board of regents, and help us achieve our intended goals.

- 1. **Íhoo'aah: Learning** We are passionate about knowledge and continue to learn throughout our lives. We pursue new experiences and ways of thinking. We appreciate that much of our learning will occur by interacting with others, inside and outside of the classroom.
- 2. Éédééhtį: Innovation We encourage and support our faculty, staff, and students in all forms of scholarship, including the discovery of knowledge in teaching and learning, and in developing innovative products and processes.
- 3. **Alk'izhdiiti: Communication -** We strive to practice honest and open exchanges of ideas in an environment where encouragement serves as the basis for our communication.
- 4. **Ahilna'anish**: **Collaboration** We work together towards the common goals of the university and our larger communities, while valuing teamwork, participation, and a wealth of ideas.
- 5. 'Adiljidlí: Integrity We seek to reflect integrity by upholding the highest ethical standards in personal and professional behavior, and in our commitment to transparency and accountability.
- 6. **Alhidilzin: Respect** We strive to be a community that appreciates the gifts and unique contributions of each person. We honor the Navajo way of life while also welcoming diverse perspectives.
- 7. **Na'alkaah: Research -** We create new knowledge that benefits the Navajo people and all human beings through ethical research practices.

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