

NCUR Application

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Title of Presentation:

Crazy Horse in American Memory

BHSU IRB, IACUC or Biosafety #:

Abstract:

The Oglala Sioux warrior Crazy Horse (c.1840-1887) fought for the independence of his people before surrendering to the U.S Army in 1887. Since his death, white historians, Native peoples, writers and artists in movies, art and literature have struggled to define him and draw meaning from his legacy. This project, Crazy Horse in American Memory, studies scholarly and popular depictions (movies, novels, interviews, and works of art) of Crazy Horse to understand how different people in different times define Crazy Horse and view his legacy. Who he was and what he stood for varies depending on the time period and the view point of the person depicting him. This project began by analyzing historical depictions of the Crazy Horse legacy. After gaining a better understanding of the history of Crazy Horse's legacy, the next step was to look at different popular depictions of Crazy Horse through literature, movies and art, and how those depictions changed over time, reflecting contemporary trends in popular culture. The last step was to examine how the legacy of Crazy Horse is portrayed by those involved in Indian activism in the past and today. This project discovers what Crazy Horse did to inspire so many people to create such a wide variety of depictions of him as a historical figure.

I certify that: My project is at or near completion and the abstract accurately represents my findings:

Yes

Statement of Student Responsibilities:

If my project is accepted for NCUR and I receive funding, I agree to:

- complete my project before departure
- make a trial presentation to my faculty advisor before departure
- present my paper/project at NCUR and attend other sessions
- all required IRB, IACUC and Biosafety approvals have been received
- give presentation at Black Hills Research Symposium (BHRS)
- Represent BHSU in a professional & responsible manner