

## CURRICULUM VITAE FOR JAMES KARI

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### BIOGRAPHICAL

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### EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of New Mexico (Curriculum & Instruction and Linguistics), 1973

Doctoral dissertation: Navajo Verb Prefix Phonology (diss. advisors: Stanley Newman, Bruce Rigsby, Robert Young, Ken Hale; 1976 Garland Press book, regularly used as text on Navajo linguistics at several universities)

M.A.T., Reed College (MAT, Teaching English), 1969

U. S. Peace Corps, Teacher of English as a Foreign Language, Bafra Lisesi, Bafra, Turkey, 1966-68

B.A., University of California at Los Angeles (English), 1966

Professional certification: general secondary teaching credential (English) in California and Oregon  
Languages:

Field work: Navajo (1970), Dena'ina (1972), Ahtna (1973), Deg Hit-an (Ingalik) (1974), Holikachuk (1975), Babine-Witsu Wit'en (1975), Koyukon (1977), Lower Tanana (1980), Tanacross (1983), Upper Tanana (1985), Middle Tanana (1990)

Speaking: Dena'ina, Ahtna, Lower Tanana; some Turkish

### EMPLOYMENT

Research consultant on Dene languages and resource materials, business name *Dena'inaq' Titaztunt*, 1997

Professor of Linguistics, Emeritus, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, 1997

Professor of Linguistics, Alaska Native Language Center, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, 1993-97

Associate Professor of Linguistics, Alaska Native Language Center, University of Alaska, 1982-1993

Assistant Professor of Linguistics, Alaska Native Language Center, University of Alaska, 1975-1982

Post-doctoral Fellow, National Endowment for the Humanities, University of Alaska, 1973-74

Instructor of Navajo Phonology, Navajo Linguistics Workshop 2, Rough Rock, Arizona, summer 1973

Instructor of Navajo Phonology, Navajo Linguistics Workshop 1, Tohatchi, New Mexico, summer 1972

Research Assistant, Navajo Reading Study, University of New Mexico, 1972-73

Instructor of English as a Foreign Language, University of New Mexico, 1970-72

Teacher of English, Hoopa High School, Hoopa, California, 1969-70 Teacher of English, College of the Redwoods, Eureka, California, 1969-70

Intern teacher, U.S. History, Jackson High School, Portland, Oregon, 1969

Alaska Anthropological Association, Professional Achievement Award, 40<sup>th</sup> annual meeting, 2013

ANLC publications by James Kari:

<http://www.uaf.edu/anlc/publications/detail/index.xml?author=Kari,%20James>

ANLA Archive statistics for James Kari: <http://www.uaf.edu/anla/about/statistics/> over 1000 items catalogued, 981 listed in 2018, the most of any contributor to ANLA.

Wikipedia entry for James Kari: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James\\_Kari](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_Kari)

Numerous GNIS Alaska place name feature search citations: [geonames.usgs.gov/pls/gnispublic/](http://geonames.usgs.gov/pls/gnispublic/); hundreds of citations of specific Dene place names from published data in reports, books

Alaska Humanities Forum Governor's Award "Distinguished Service to the Humanities." October, 2009.

HAIL Awards, Honoring Alaska's I2 (l)-2 (a)4 d ( A)2ges-10 (-)8 5.64 TmL MCI-1.7 (s)12.8-6onorI2 (s)12uoFLA61

Yukon-Tanana Historical Society. Middle Tanana Ethnogeographic Reconstruction. W912D0-16-T-0027  
Fort Wainwright, Alaska. 2015.

St. Matthews Endowment Fund. New edition of 1915 Koyukon Hymnal. 2016-2017.

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- Reader, History Culture, Politics*. Ed. by Maria Williams. Pp. 15-27.
- 2008 Commentary on Journal of 1796 by Dmitrii Tarkhanov. In *Anooshi Lingit Aani Ka, Russians in Tlingit America, The Battles of Sitka, 1802 and 1804*. Ed. by N.M. Dauenhauer, R. Dauenhauer, and L. Black. Seattle: University of Washington Press. Pp.67-90.
- 2005 Language Work in Alaskan Athabascan and its Relationship to Alaskan Anthropology. *Alaska Journal of Anthropology* 3(1):105-119.
- 2004 sub-editor, numerous entries in *Native American Placenames of the United States*. Ed. By William Bright, University of Oklahoma Press.
- 2000 Contributions of the United States Geological Survey to the Documentation of Alaska Native Names, 1950-75. *Names* 48.3/4:1962-90198C -25.446 -1.207 Td[(2005 1W)-1.7 (a)9.2 (s)-2.3 (hi)6.3 (n.9 ()2 (m)61W) 0 Td(9019

- 1978 (with Bernard Spolsky) Trends in the Study of Athapaskan Language Maintenance and Bilingualism. In *Advances in the Study of Societal Multilingualism*, ed. by Joshua Fishman. Mouton, pp. 635-664.
- 1977 Linguistic Diffusion Between Tanaina and Ahtna. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 43.4:274-289.
- 1975 A Classification of Tanaina Dialects. *Anthropological Papers of the University of Alaska* 17.2:49-53.
- 1975 The Disjunct Boundary in the Navajo and Tanaina Verb Prefix Complexes. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 41:330-345.
- 1974 Variation in the Navajo OI-reduction Rule. *Dine Bizaad Nani'ini/Navajo Language Review*, 1(4):203-211.
- 1974 (with Bernard Spolsky) Apachean Language Maintenance. *International Journal of the Sociology of Language* 2:91-100.
- 1974 (with Bernard Spolsky) Athapaskan Language Maintenance and Bilingualism. In *Southwest Areal Linguistics*, ed. by Garland Bills. Institute for Cultural Pluralism, San Diego State University.

#### b. Books and monographs

- 2018 (co-ed with Siri G. Tuttle) *Yenida'atah, Ts'utsaede, K'adiide, in Legendary Times*, ed. by Siri G. Tuttle. University of Arizona Press.

- 1976 *Navajo Verb Prefix Phonology*. New York: Garland Publishing Company. 328 pp.
- 1973 *Navajo Language Bibliography*. Navajo Reading Study Progress Report No. 22. University of New Mexico. Reprinted in 1974 as *A Navajo Reading Bibliography*. Sources No. 2. The University of New Mexico General Library.

### c. Reviews

- 2014 *Travels to the Alseck: Edward Gleve's Reports from Southwest Yukon and Southeast Alaska, 1890-91*. By Edward J. Gleve. Ed. by J. Cruikshank, D. Hitch, and J. Ritter. 2013. Yukon Native Language Centre. *Alaska Journal of Anthropology* 12(2):110-111.
- 2014 *From the Land of Ever Winter to the American Southwest: Athapaskan Migrations, Mobility and Ethnogenesis*. Edited by Deni J. Seymour, Salt Lake City: University of Utah Press. *IJAL*, vol. 80, no. 3, 2014, pp. 415–22
- 2004 Review of *Haida Syntax, vols. 1 & 2* by John Enrico. *Journal of Anthropological Research*: 60:281-82.
- 1997 Review of *Tales From the Dena: Indians Stories from the Tanana, Koyukuk and Yukon Rivers* by Frederica de Laguna.

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2007 with Andrea Berez (editors). Inland Dena'ina Key Words, Lime Village Dialect by Helen Dick.  
Anchorage: Alaska Native Heritage Center and Dena'inaq' Titaztunt. 29 pp & CD  
2006

- 1982 Ch'enlahi, the Tep-Wi hand game of the Dena'ina. Kenai: Kenai Borough School District, 23 pp.
- 1978 Introduction, *Junior Dictionary for Central Koyukon, Dinaakkanaaga Ts'inh Huyoza*. By Eliza Jones, NBMDC.
- 1978 Willow's first citizen looks for home. *Alaska Advocate, Anchorage Times, Tundra Times*, Oct. 1978.
- 1975 The Tanaina Language of Cook Inlet. *Orthodox Alaska* 5.3-4:13-16.
- 1973 Report of a Navajo Bilingual-Bicultural Materials Conference. In *Advances in Navajo Bilingual Education, 1969-1972*, ed. by Bernard Spolsky. Bureau of Indian Affairs Curriculum Bulletin No. 13, pp. 6-17.
- 1973 (with Louise BenallyKrKraa (r)6.9M-4.6 (h L)13.2 ( B)3.9 (ul)6.3 (l)-4.g on ( )105.6 (n A)4.v ( B)3.9n Nhojo B(e)-1.6 (

1982 (with Priscilla Russell Kari) *Dena'ina Etnena, Tanaina Country*. Alaska Native Language Center, 109 pp. [Reviewed in *Arctic*

- 2018 Stages in Dena'ina Place names Research. IN *150 Years: Proceedings of the 2017 Kenai Peninsula History Conference*, edited by Shana Loshbaugh, pp. 125-138

2001 Nataeŕde Łuk=ae Nilcedi, Putting up fish at Batzulnetas [poster]. By Katie John, Molly Galbreath, and James Kari. Privately published.

- 1983 Lime Village place names map. In *Land Use and Economy of Lime Village*, by P. Kari, ADFG Technical Paper No. 80, Map 3.
- 1983- Tanacross Place Names List. Typescript. ANLC.
- 1982 Dena'ina place names on the Susitna River. In *Cultural Resource Assessment, Talkeetna-Lower Susitna River Basin*, ed. by Glenn Bacon. Fairbanks: Alaskarctic, pp. 16-66.
- 1982 Dena'ina place names in the Beluga study area. In *Cultural Resource Assessment, the Beluga Study Area*, ed. by Glenn Bacon. Fairbanks: Alaskarctic, pp. 26-72.
- 1981 Native names celebrate the mountain's grandeur. *Now in the North*, February.
- 1979 Kalifornsky is the authentic spelling. *Peninsula Clarion*. July 19.
- 1978 Denali or McKinley? *Alaska Magazine*, June.
- 1978 Lake Clark-Mulchatna-Telaquana Placenames. IN Resource Use and Subsistence in the vicinity of the Proposed Lake Clark National Park, Alaska and Additions to Katmai National Monument. UAF, Anthropology & Historic Preservation, Cooperative Park Studies Unit. Occasional Paper 15. p. 110-119.
- 1977 Dena'ina place names map. Ms.
- 1977 Documenting Alaska Native Place Names. Typescript. ANLC. 12 pp.
- 1976 Lime Village Territory. Ms. Typescript. 2 pp.

**c. Place name submissions and place name policy activities (with Alaska BGN and USBGN)**

- 1982 Principal consultant for CSSB 727, Laws of Alaska, Relating to the duties of the State Geographic Board, passed unanimously by the Alaska House and Senate, approved by Gov. Hammond, 6/28/82; ANLA item: G977K1982a
- 1985 Kalifornsky & Kalifornsky Beach, Kenai Peninsula AK

- Language, Oct. 28, 2008, Albuquerque & Chinle.
- 2005 Comments on Ahtna Salmon Fishing. Copper River Salmon Workshop I. Anchorage, March.
- 2004 The Dena'ina Ts'enhdghulya! War Stories. Alaska Anthropological Association.
- 2004 Recent Activities in the Dena'ina Language Effort, Fifth International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS V), Fairbanks
- 2002 Methods in the Reconstruction of Dena'ina Geography. Alaska Anthropological Association
- 1999 (Organizer and moderator), Native Place Names in Alaska: A Forum on Research and Policy Issues. 50<sup>th</sup> Arctic Science Conf., Denali National Park
- 1999 The Jake Tansy Narratives on Valdez Creek-Cantwell Territory. Alaska Anthropological Association.
- 1998 Notes on Mnemonic Devices and Strategy in Northern Athabaskan Place Names, WAIL, UCSB, May
- 1997 Report on the Koyukon Dictionary. Athabaskan Languages Conference, Eugene, June
- 1997 Presentations on Fairbanks area Athabaskan place names to Friends of Creamers Field Lecture series.
- 1997 Presentation to Salcha Elementary School on the Salcha Athabaskan people.
- 1997 Presentation on Stevens Village area place names to Alaska Wilderness Tourism conference.
- 1996 Directionality and Seriation in Northern Athabaskan Hydronyms. American Anthropological Association. San Francisco.
- 1996 Some Theoretical and Practical Issues in Northern Athabaskan Ethnogeography. Symposium: Alaska Native Geographies, Arctic Science Conference, September.
- 1996 (with Sharon Hargus) Lexical Comparison between Ahtna and Babine-Wetsowit-en. Seminar on Athabaskan and Na-Dene Prehistory. Alaska Anthropological Association. March.
- 1994 Stacking Templatic Morphology in Athabaskan Languages, University of Hawaii Linguistics Dept. Colloquium
- 1994 Local vs. Regional Place Naming Conventions in Alaskan Athabaskan Languages, University of Hawaii Geography Dept. Colloquium.
- 1993 Dena'm

- 1984 Themes in Ethnogeographic Research in Alaska. Geosciences Seminar, University of Alaska.
- 1982 Some Methods for Documenting Alaska's Ethnogeography. Sharing Alaska's Oral History, Anchorage. October 26-27, 1982, ms. 7 pp.
- 1981 Preserving Alaska Native Place Names. Alaska State Bilingual Education Conference, Anchorage.
- 1981 Ch'enlahi, the Tep-Wi Hand Game of the Dena'ina. Athabaskan Languages Conference, Arcata.
- 1981 A Transitivity Typology for an Athabaskan Language. Conference on the Syntax of Native American Languages. University of Calgary.
- 1978 Place Names and Tanaina Territory. 5th Alaska Anthropological Association Conference, Fairbanks.
- 1978 Theme and Derivation in Athabaskan: Ahtna Motion and Operative Themes. Linguistic Society of America, Los Angeles.
- 1977 Linguistic Diffusion between Ahtna and Tanaina. Athabaskan Anthropology Conference, Calgary.
- 1976 Ahtna Areal Influence upon Upper Inlet Tanaina. 3rd Alaska Anthropological Association Conference, Anchorage.
- 1976 The Tanaina Language. Program with Shem Pete, Mike Alex and Peter Kalifornsky at Cook Inlet Historical Society, Anchorage.
- 1974 The Tanaina Language of Cook Inlet. Kenai Area History Conference, Kenai.
- 1973 Boundaries in the Navajo Verb. Duke City Linguistics Circle, University of New Mexico.
- 1973 Trends in Athapaskan Language Maintenance. Workshop in Southwest Areal Linguistics, University of New Mexico.

#### **INVITED LECTURES**

- 2016 Introducing the Proto-Dene *Lex Loci* with Selected Place Names South and West of the Alaska Range. Dene Languages Conference. Yellowknife.
- 2013 Linguistic signs of \*q' y 'birch' in Dene prehistory. Talkeetna Birch Festival, July.
- 2011 Shared Geographic Knowledge and Athabascan Prehistory, 40 Years of Diné Bizaad at UNM: Honoring the Past and Celebrating the Future, University of New Mexico, April.
- 2010 Perspectives on Dena'ina language work and the Dena'ina language effort. Smithsonian Spotlight. Anchorage Museum at the Rasmusson Center.
- 2008 Native Place Names in Alaska: Some Research and Policy Issues. Alaska Visionaries. Alaska Historical Society, Anchorage, October.
- 2003 Topics in Athabascan Prehistory. Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology. Leipzig, Nov.
- 2003 Language Work in Alaskan Athabascan and its Relationship to Alaskan Anthropology. 30<sup>th</sup> Alaska Anthropological Association, Fairbanks
- 2003 Thirty Years of Language Work and Linguistic Prehistory in Athabascan. Athabascan Languages Conference, Humboldt State University. Arcata.
- 1995 Invited Discussant at The Athabaskan Languages Conference, University of New Mexico, July.
- 1994 The Gourd Lecture. Athabaskan Ethnogeography. Talking Gourds. Telluride, Colorado.
- 1993 Strategic Naming: the Distribution of Terms for 'Stream' and 'Mountain' in Alaskan Athabascan languages. West Coast Conference on Linguistics 12. Seattle; Stanford University Linguistics Colloquium.
- 1992 Remarks on the Athabaskan Language Effort. Conference, NPS conference, A Sense of Place, Anchorage.
- 1986 Some Principles of Alaskan Athabascan Toponymic Knowledge, Yale University Anthropology Colloquium; Harvard University Linguistics Colloquium; University of Pennsylvania Folklore Colloquium.

- 1984 Alaska Native Place Names: an Overview of Research and Public Policy Issues. Dynamics of Cultural Development: Indigenous Place Names in the North. McGill University.
- 1983 Mentasta Mountain. Commencement address, Mentasta Lake School, 1983.
- 1980 An Analytical Dictionary of an Alaskan Athabaskan Language (Koyukon). Symposium on Lexicography in the New World Context, LSA Linguistic Institute, Albuquerque.
- 1980 The Lexical Categorization of Verb Themes in Athabaskan. Symposium on Athabaskan Linguistics and Language Planning, LSA Linguistics Institute, Albuquerque.
- 1979 Aspectual Derivation in Tanaina. UCLA Linguistics Colloquium.
- 1979 (with Peter Kalifornsky) "The Kalifornskys from Cook Inlet." Lecture to the Fort Ross Interpretive Association, Fort Ross, California.
- 1978 Towards a Policy on Alaska Native Place Names. First Governor's Conference on Historic Preservation, Juneau.

**FELLOWSHIPS**

Visiting scholar, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, Fall, 2003

- Slate, Clay Jr. 1989. Navajo verb theme categories and a Navajo lexicon database. Ph.D. dissertation. University of New Mexico.
- Thompson, Chad L. 1989. Obviation in Koyukon and Other Athabaskan Languages. PhD dissertation. University of Oregon.
- McDonough, Joyce. 1990. Topics in the Phonology and Morphology of the Navajo Verb. Ph.D. dissertation. University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- Axelrod, Melissa. 1990. The Semantics of Temporal Categorization: the aspectual system of Koyukon Athabaskan. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Colorado, Boulder.
- Snyder, Gary. 1990. Acknowledged by Gary Snyder, *The Practice of the Wild*. North Point Press. p. x.
- Nichols, Johanna. 1992. *Linguistic Diversity in Space and Time*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Midgette, Sally. 1994. The Navajo Progressive in discourse, a study in Temporal Semantics. Ph.D. dissertation. University of Colorado, Boulder.

Calloway, Donald G. 2004. Landscapes of tradition, landscapes of resistance. IN *Northern Ethnographic Landscapes, Perspectives from Circumpolar Nations*. Washington D.C. Arctic Studies Center. pp. 177-

Moderator. Dene-Yeniseian Symposium. University of Alaska Fairbanks. Feb. 27-28, 2008.  
 Co-organizer, 23rd Meeting of the Alaska Anthropological Association, March, 1996  
 Member of Sister City Exchange, Fairbanks-Yakutsk, U.S.S.R, August, 1990  
 Chairperson. Athabaskan Languages Conference, Fairbanks. 1988  
 Member of Tenure, Promotion and Sabbatical Committee, Rural Education, University of Alaska. 1981-84.  
 Chairperson 1983-84  
 Chairperson. Athabaskan Languages Conference, Fairbanks, 1983

### **PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Editorial Board, *Alaska Journal of Anthropology*, 2001-2010.  
 St. Matthews Episcopal Church Endowment Fund Committee, 2011-2014  
 Awards Committee, Alaska Anthropological Association, 1996-2002  
 COGNA, Congress of Geographical Names Authorities, 2002  
 Arkadashlar, returned Peace Corps volunteers, Turkey, 2002  
 Northern Alaska Peace Corps Friends, 1993  
 Reviewer of proposals for NSF, NEH, SSHRC, Alaska Humanities Forum, Canada Council  
 Reviewer of book manuscripts for University of California Press, University of New Mexico Press, SUNY  
 Press, University of British Columbia Press, Random House, ANLC Research Papers  
 Extended collaboration with Dr. Bob Hsu of the University of Hawaii's Linguistics Dept. to adapt *Lexware*  
 programs to Dene languages, 1981-2000  
 Editor, Athabaskan News, 1982-1985  
 The Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, 1982  
 Reviewer of articles for *Handbook of North American Indians*, vol. 6. 1977-80; vol. 17, 1995-96  
 American Name Society, 1978  
 Alaska Anthropological Association, 1974