

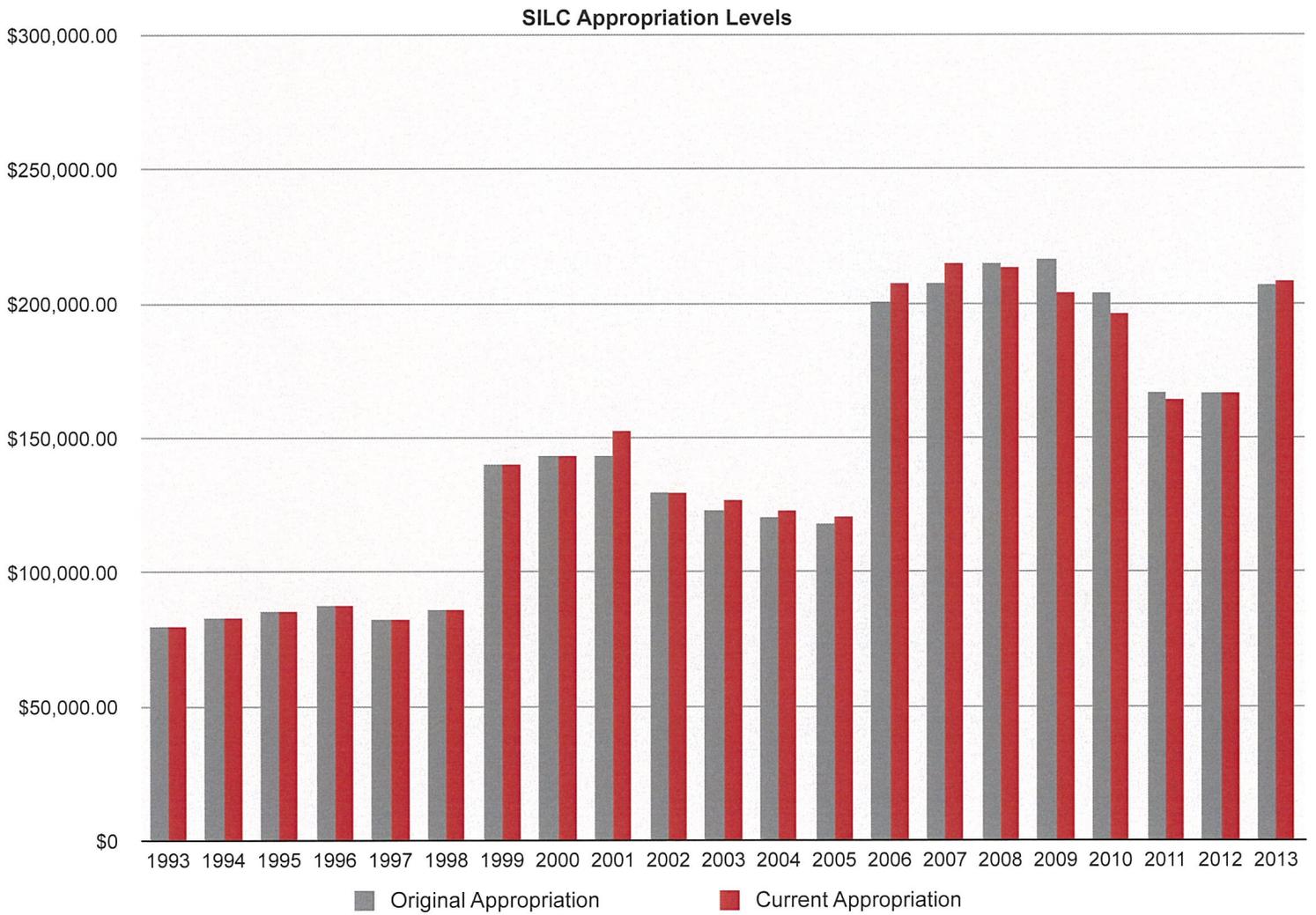


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and Recommendations

**LAW AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PROGRAM-
SOUTHWEST INDIAN LAW CLINIC (SILC)**

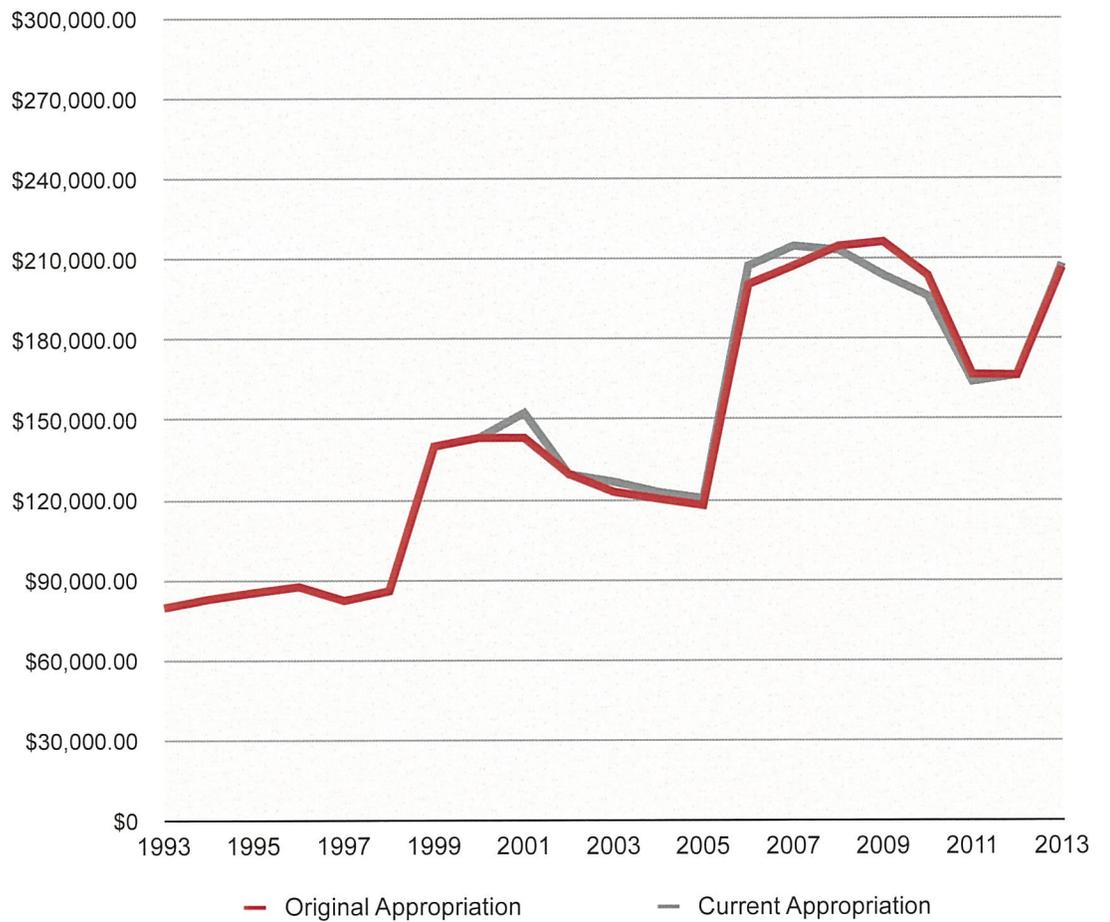
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Year*	Original Appropriation	Current Appropriation
1993	79,700	79,700
1994	82,900	82,900
1995	85,300	85,300
1996	87,500	87,500
1997	82,300	82,300
1998	85,900	85,900
1999	140,000	140,000
2000	143,200	143,200
2001	143,200	152,500
2002	129,600	129,400
2003	122,900	126,700
2004	120,300	122,800
2005	117,900	120,500
2006	200,500	207,400
2007	207,400	214,800
2008	214,800	213,300
2009	216,400	203,900
2010	203,800	196,100
2011	166,700	164,100
2012	166,500	166,500
2013	206,800	208,200

SILC Appropriation Levels

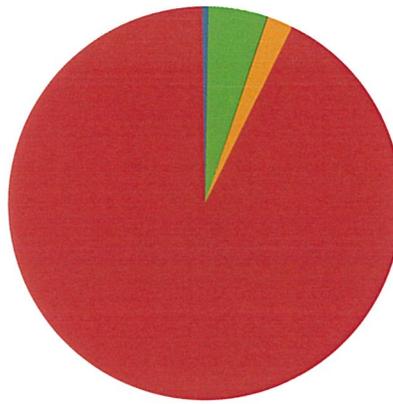


*Year is defined as the Spring Legislative year appropriating funding for the next fiscal year. Example: 2013 (Spring Legislative Session) appropriating fiscal year 2013-2014.

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1997 SILC Expenses

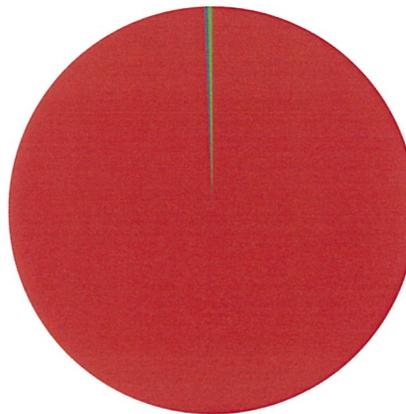
1997 SILC Expenses	Amount
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	\$81,247
Materials & Services	\$440
Travel	\$4,311
Student Costs	\$32
Equipment	\$1,897
TOTAL	\$87,927



- Salaries & Fringe Benefits (92%)
- Materials & Services (1%)
- Travel (5%)
- Student Costs (0%)
- Equipment (2%)

2013 SILC Expenses

2013 SILC Expenses	Amount
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	\$172,040
Telecommunications	\$330
UNM Miscellaneous	\$434
TOTAL	\$172,804



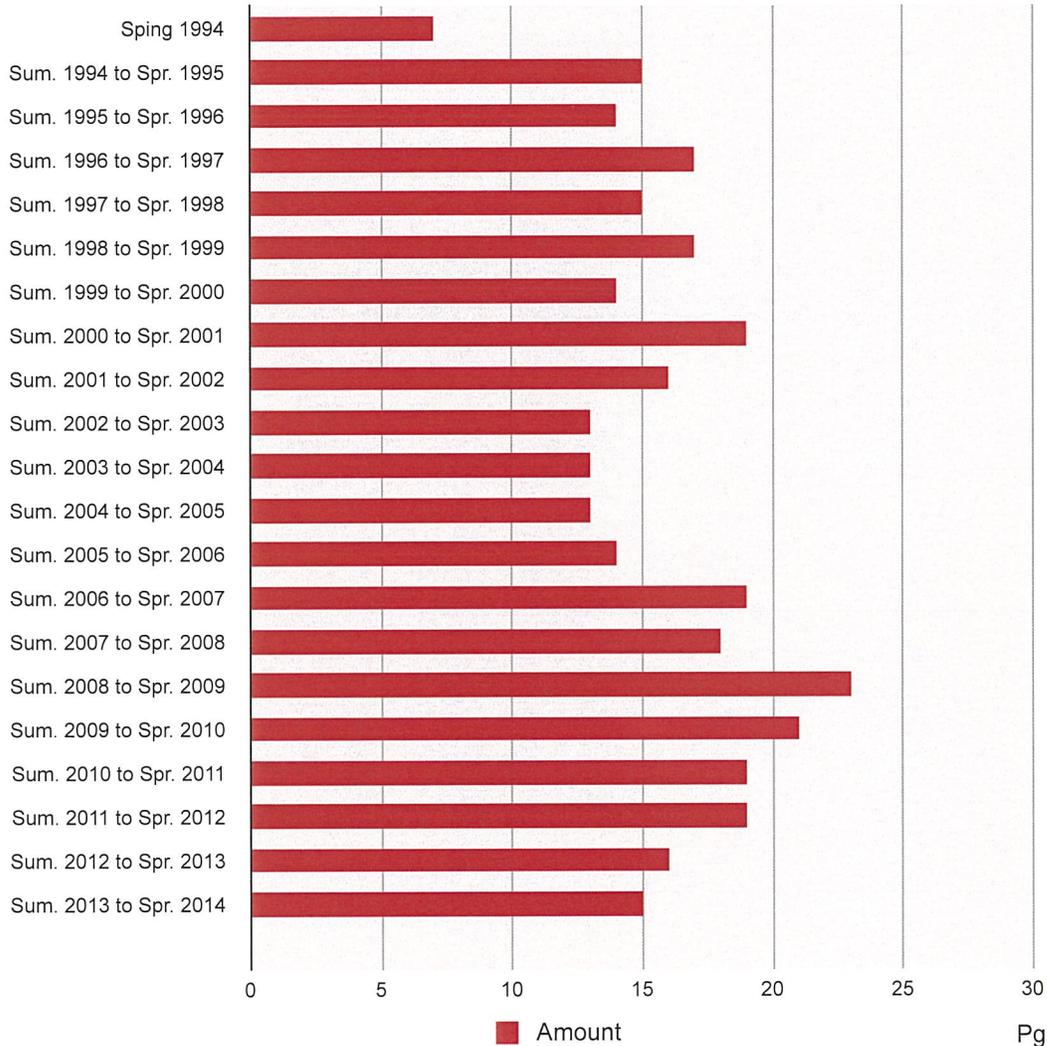
- Salaries & Fringe Benefits (99%)
- Telecommunications (0.26%)
- UNM Miscellaneous (0.74%)

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Year	Amount
Spring 1994	7
Sum. 1994 to Spr. 1995	15
Sum. 1995 to Spr. 1996	14
Sum. 1996 to Spr. 1997	17
Sum. 1997 to Spr. 1998	15 *
Sum. 1998 to Spr. 1999	17
Sum. 1999 to Spr. 2000	14
Sum. 2000 to Spr. 2001	19
Sum. 2001 to Spr. 2002	16
Sum. 2002 to Spr. 2003	13
Sum. 2003 to Spr. 2004	13
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Sum. 2005 to Spr. 2006	14
Sum. 2006 to Spr. 2007	19
Sum. 2007 to Spr. 2008	18
Sum. 2008 to Spr. 2009	23
Sum. 2009 to Spr. 2010	21
Sum. 2010 to Spr. 2011	19
Sum. 2011 to Spr. 2012	19
Sum. 2012 to Spr. 2013	16
Sum. 2013 to Spr. 2014	15
Total	337

*Estimate

Total SILC Enrollment



V. Law and Indigenous Peoples Program-Southwest Indian Law Clinic (SILC)

The Southwest Indian Law Clinic (SILC) was established and opened in the Spring of 1994 by Visiting Professor Christine Zuni (Isleta/Ohkay Owingeh), who was hired to direct the clinic in October of 1993. In 1997, Zuni was hired as a tenure-track professor. SILC was funded by the New Mexico State Legislature as a Research Program and Special Project (RPSP) of the New Mexico Higher Education Department. SILC has received RPSP funding since 1993, steadily increasing its funding over the twenty-year period. SILC's present appropriation for AY2013-2014 is \$208,000. The appropriations have a history of increases and reductions but the appropriations have generally maintained increases. Over the years, SILC's ability to utilize its funding for expenses other than salaries has decreased. In 2006, SILC was successful in obtaining an increase in its appropriation to hire a second clinician to staff SILC. In 2007, Professor Barbara Creel (Jemez) was hired, and Zuni Cruz and Creel presently co-direct SILC together.

Actual enrollment in SILC since its establishment in 1994 is at 331. In addition, SILC has supervised clinical law students from Osgoode Hall, York University's Intensive Program in Aboriginal Lands, Resources, and Governments, advanced clinicians, co-supervised students with clinicians from other clinics, student-interns from Central New Mexico Community College (CNM), UNM, and the Native American Community Academy (NACA), co-taught other clinics during the Semester-in-Practice clinics in 1995-1997, and instructed large and small clinic sections in the practice of Indian Law from 1995 to 2013. This instruction of others has been reported between 1995-2013 in RPSP reports on an average of three (3) to four (4) additional students per semester, or an additional 112 students from 1995 to 2013. Actual law student enrollment in SILC is reported in this section.

SILC is a part of the required law school curriculum, which mandates enrollment in a clinic as a requirement for graduation. SILC was made a part of the Indian Law Certificate in 1994 and later became the required experiential component of the Indian Law Certificate.

A comparison of the SILC appropriation received in 1997 with the 2012 appropriation shows the 2012 appropriation is taken up in its entirety by salaries and benefits and costs, with no amount left over for travel throughout the state, student costs, and equipment or for other expenses such as materials and services. In 1997, SILC had one faculty member. In 2012, SILC has two faculty members. SILC is limited when it is not funded for additional expenses, such as travel, student costs, equipment, materials and services.

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EXHIBITS

1. SILC Milestones



SOUTHWEST INDIAN LAW CLINIC Milestones

1993

- UNM SOL receives funding to establish SILC.
- Prof. Christine Zuni Cruz hired as Director.
- SILC/Tribal Forum

1994

- SILC Clinic Opens

1995

- Community workshop: Tribal Based Resolutions of Domestic Violence Disputes
- SILC joins Semester in Practice Clinical Project
- Barbara Creel, Clinic Fellow, begins teaching in SILC
- SILC co-sponsors International Conference on "Unique Issues in Teaching Indian Law and Developing Indian Law Clinics"

1996

- SILC hosts meeting with Project contacts

1997

- Navajo Nation adopts Student Practice Rule

1998

- Clinic visits Pueblos of Isleta and Laguna on Sovereignty, Courts and Government

1999

- Susan Aasen visits SILC
- SILC begins lecture series

2000

- Prof. Christine Zuni Cruz, SILC Director, serves as Chair of the AALS Annual Conference of Clinical Education
- Professor Aliza Organick, Washburn visits SILC
- Second SILC Lecture

2001

- Third SILC Lecture
- SILC successfully initiates recommendation to test Indian Law on the New Mexico Bar Exam

2002

- SILC presentations at Rocky Mountain Regional Clinical Conference, UNM School of Law and AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education on Community Lawyering by Professor Zuni Cruz

2003

- International Advocacy for Indigenous Peoples Course added to curriculum

2004

- Professor Zuni Cruz, Interview with New Mexico Tribal leaders for Kurdistan TV (KTV) Iraq documentary

2005

- Sovereignty Symposium XVIII, Panelist, Indian Country Online, presentation by Professor Zuni Cruz

2006

- Professor Zuni Cruz presents paper at The Pedagogy of American Indian Law Conference, University of North Dakota, Panelist, *Toward A Pedagogy and Ethic of Law/ying for Indigenous Peoples*

2007

- Professor Barbara Creel (Jemez) hired.
- First Annual Indian Law Clinics and Externship Programs Symposium established by Southwest Indian Law Clinic in collaboration with Washburn University School of Law's Tribal Law Practice Clinic

2008

- Second Annual Indian Law Clinics and Externship Programs Symposium, Moving Towards Best Practices for Indigenous Representation, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM, June 2008

2009

- Third Annual Indian Law Clinics and Externship Programs Symposium, Isleta Pueblo
- Professor Barbara Creel testifies before the United States House of Representatives Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, Washington, D.C., December 10, 2009 on the Tribal Law and Order Act

2010

- Fourth Annual Indian Law Clinics and Externship Programs Symposium, Indian Law

Clinics-Where Are We Now? Challenges and Successes of Established Programs,
Albuquerque, NM, June 2010

2011

- Fifth Annual Indian Law Clinics and Externship Programs Symposium, Knowing, Thinking and Doing-A Discussion on Doctrine, Theory, and Practice in Indigenous Law and Education and the Clinical Experience: Local, Regional, and International Perspectives, Vancouver, BC, Canada, UBC
- Professor Zuni Cruz receives American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Clinical Legal Education William Pincus Award for Outstanding Contribution to Clinical Education

2012

- Professor Barbara Creel testifies before the Indian Law and Order Commission (ILOC) Field Hearing, April 19, 2012 on the Defense Perspective in Criminal Law in Indian Country, Santa Fe, NM

2013

- Professor Barbara Creel promoted to Professor and becomes the newest tenured faculty member
- Professor Barbara Creel, SILC Co-Director organizes and hosts the 2nd Annual Indigent Defense Symposium for tribal public defenders and Indian law clinicians on The Indigent Defense Crisis in Indian Country held in conjunction with the Law and Indigenous Peoples Program *United States v. Sandoval* Symposium