

Pearl Brower – Biography:

B.A. Anthropology and B.A. Alaska Native Studies from University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2004.

Masters in Alaska Native and Rural Development from University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2010.

Ph.D. in Indigenous Studies, with an emphasis in Indigenous Leadership from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, May 2016.

Brower is currently the President of Iñisaġvik College, Alaska's only Tribal College. She has been with the College since 2007 working in External Relations, Institutional Advancement, Student Services, and Marketing. She has served as President since 2012. Prior to working for the College Dr. Brower managed an education and culture grant for the North Slope Borough for three years and worked as the Museum Curator of the Iñupiat Heritage Center.

Brower grew up in both Barrow, Alaska and in northern California practicing a subsistence lifestyle in both areas. She has two daughters, Isla, who is 7, and Sindri who joined the family in January of this year, and along with her husband, Jesse Darling, lives in Barrow where she loves to be close to her culture and community. Brower was named one of Alaska's Top 40 Under 40 in 2015.

Brower is active in her community in Barrow, on the North Slope and statewide. She serves on the Wells Fargo Community Advisory Board, serves as the Vocational/Tribal representative on the Alaska Postsecondary Access and Completion Network, serves on the Alaska Airlines Community Advisory Board, on the Foraker Group's Operations Board, as a Commissioner for the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, and is the Chair of the Advisory Board for the Tribal College Journal.