

# Native American and Indigenous Studies Minor

The Native American and Indigenous Studies minor compliments numerous other fields of study and provides access to ways of knowing and living that are part of the heritage and future of this state, and this nation.

## Native American and Indigenous Studies

Students may earn an undergraduate minor in Native American and Indigenous Studies (NAIS) housed in the Department of Indigenous, Race, and Ethnic Studies (IRES).

The primary goal of the NAIS minor is to provide students extensive grounding in Indigenous history and culture as well as nuanced understandings of tribal sovereignty, Indigenous nationhood, and the diversity and beauty of contemporary Indigenous identities, lives, and experiences across the Americas and throughout the Pacific. A secondary goal of the program is to encourage student awareness of the ethnic and cultural dimensions and applications of other major fields of study. Students of literature, social sciences, education, urban planning, arts, humanities, law, and international studies—to name only a few—find that related Native American and Indigenous Studies courses greatly enrich their academic programs. This foundation prepares students for diverse career paths including tribal political leadership, education and administration, social services/social work, language revitalization and instruction, environmental policy, natural/cultural resources management, law, cultural heritage preservation, the arts, journalism and new media, and community/economic development.

Courses applied to a minor in Native American and Indigenous studies may be used to satisfy major or minor requirements for other programs.

Specific details and course approvals must be obtained from the Native American and Indigenous Studies program director/adviser (nastudies@uoregon.edu).

## Requirements for the Minor

The Native American and Indigenous Studies minor requires 28 credits. At least 16 credits must be taken in residence at the University of Oregon. Up to 4 credits may be counted toward the minor from a list of related courses that fall outside the core of Native American studies but that focus on other issues closely related to the field. Courses must be taken for a grade, and grades must be mid-C or higher to count toward the minor. The course load is distributed as follows:

| Code  | Title                                   | Credits   |
|---|---|-----------|
| ES 256  | Introduction to Native American Studies | 4         |
| <b>Additional Courses</b>   |   | <b>24</b> |
| 16 credits must be in upper-division courses  |   |           |
| At least 4 credits focusing on Oregon Indians   |   |           |
| At least 4 credits in each of three distribution groups <sup>1</sup>                      |   |           |
| Up to 4 credits may be taken from a list of related courses approved by a program advisor |   |           |
| <b>Total Credits</b>  |   | <b>28</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Distribution groups: 1) culture, language, and education; 2) law, policy, governance, and history; 3) literature, media, and the arts.

## Distribution Groups

| Code   | Title  | Credits |
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| <b>Group 1: Culture, Language, and Education</b>     |  |         |
| ANTH 248   | Archaeology of Wild Foods  | 4       |
| ANTH 320   | Native North Americans   | 4       |
| ANTH 434   | Native South Americans   | 4       |
| ANTH 442   | Northwest Coast Archaeology  | 4       |
| ANTH 443   | North American Archaeology   | 4       |
| ANTH 438   | Race and Gender in Latin America   | 4       |
| EDST 410   | Experimental Course: [Topic] (Indigenous Principles of Education)  | 1-5     |
| EDST 456   | Decolonization and Education   | 4       |
| ES 196   | Field Studies: [Topic] (w/approval of NAIS director/adviser)   | 1-5     |
| ES 199   | Special Studies: [Topic]   | 1-5     |
| ES 404   | Internship: [Topic] (w/approval of NAIS director/adviser)  | 1-12    |
| ES 406   | Practicum: [Topic]   | 1-12    |
| ICH 101  | First-Year Ichishki ʼin  | 5       |
| ICH 102  | First-Year Ichishki ʼin  | 5       |
| ICH 103  | First-Year Ichishki ʼin  | 5       |
| ICH 201  | Second-Year Ichishki ʼin   | 5       |
| ICH 202  | Second-Year Ichishki ʼin   | 5       |
| ICH 203  | Second-Year Ichishki ʼin   | 5       |
| LING 399   | Special Studies: [Topic] (Indigenous Languages of Oregon)  | 1-5     |
| LT 199   | Special Studies: [Topic] (Sahaptin Language; Tolowa and Lushootseed Language; Other Indigenous Language)           | 1-5     |
| PHIL 451   | Native American Philosophy   | 4       |
| <b>Group 2: Law, Policy, Governance, and History</b> |  |         |
| ENVS 411   | Environmental Issues: [Topic] (Climate Change and Indigenous Peoples)  | 4       |
| ENVS 435   | Environmental Justice  | 4       |
| ES 258   | Introduction to Pacific Islander Studies   | 4       |
| ES 321   | Indigenous Peoples of Oregon   | 4       |
| ES 350   | Native Americans and the Environment   | 4       |
| ES 456   | History of Native American Education   | 4       |
| ES 464   | Relational Studies of Indigeneity, Race and Culture: [Topic] (Black-Indian Relations; Latinx-Indigenous Relations) | 4       |
| ES 466   | Native American Ethnohistory   | 4       |
| ES 468   | Indigenous Research Methods and Ethics   | 4       |
| ES 470   | Native American and Indigenous Feminisms   | 4       |
| HC 431H  | Honors College Social Science Colloquium: [Topic] (w/approval of NAIS director/adviser)                            | 4       |

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| HC 444H   | HC US: Difference, Inequality, Agency Colloquium: [Topic] (Race and Ethnicity in the American West; North Paiute History; Search for Cayuse Five; Others w/ permission of NAIS director/adviser) | 4   |
| HIST 211  | Reacting to the Past (w/approval of NAIS director/adviser)   | 4   |
| HIST 399  | Special Studies: [Topic] (Pacific Northwest Indians; Others w/approval of NAIS director/adviser)   | 4   |
| HIST 407  | Seminar: [Topic] (Indian Nations in the United States; Others w/approval of NAIS director/adviser)   | 5   |
| HIST 468  | The Pacific Northwest (Native American/ Indigenous Focus)  | 4   |
| HIST 469  | American Indian History: [Topic]   | 4   |
| HIST 473  | American Environmental History: [Topic] (Indigenous Environmental History)   | 4   |
| HIST 482  |  | 4   |
| HIST 483  | Latin America: [Topic] (Indigenous Peoples of Latin America)   | 4   |
| PS 390  | American Indian Politics   | 4   |
| WGS 251   | Transnational and Indigenous Feminisms   | 4   |
| <b>Group 3: Literature, Media, and the Arts</b> |  |     |
| ANTH 410  | Experimental Course: [Topic] (Native Americans in Film)  | 1-5 |
| ENG 244   | Introduction to Native American Literature   | 4   |
| ENG 315   | Women Writers' Cultures: [Topic] (Native American/Indigenous Focus)  | 4   |
| ENG 316   | Women Writers' Forms: [Topic] (Native American/Indigenous Focus)   | 4   |
| ENG 361   | Native American Writers  | 4   |
| ENG 381M  | Film, Media, and Culture (Native American/ Indigenous Focus)   | 4   |
| ENG 468   | Ethnic Literature: [Topic] (Native American/ Indigenous Focus)   | 4   |
| ENG 469   | Literature and the Environment: [Topic] (Native American/Indigenous Focus)   | 4   |
| ENG 479   | Major Authors: [Topic] (Native American/ Indigenous Writers)   | 4   |
| ENG 485   | Television Studies (Native American/ Indigenous Focus)   | 4   |
| ENG 488   | Race and Representation in Film: [Topic] (Native American/Indigenous Focus)  | 4   |
| ES 370  | Race, Ethnicity, and Cinema: [Topic] (Native Americans and Film)   | 4   |
| J 412   | Issues in Communication Studies: [Topic] (Indigenous Peoples & the Media)  | 4   |
| TA 472  | Multicultural Theater: [Topic] (Native American Theater)   | 4   |

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| ANTH 438 | Race and Gender in Latin America      |
| ANTH 442 | Northwest Coast Archaeology (Group 1) |
| ANTH 443 | North American Archaeology (Group 1)  |
| ANTH 456 | Peopling of the Americas              |
| HIST 482 | (Group 2)                             |

| Code                   | Title                            | Credits  |
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| <b>Related Courses</b> |                                  | <b>4</b> |
| ANTH 344               | Oregon Archaeology (Group 1)     |          |
| ANTH 343               | Pacific Islands Archaeology      |          |
| ANTH 434               | Native South Americans (Group 1) |          |