

Native American and Indigenous Studies, Graduate Certificate

Requirements

The graduate Certificate in Native American and Indigenous Studies (NAIS) requires a minimum of 15 s.h. in courses numbered 3000 and above. Students must maintain a grade-point average of at least 3.00 in coursework toward the certificate.

Students must contact the NAIS coordinator in order to apply to the certificate program, and they work with the NAIS coordinator to develop a plan of study.

Students who earned an undergraduate certificate in the program may not receive a graduate certificate.

Native American and Indigenous studies aims to expose students to the interdisciplinary nature of the field. NAIS emphasizes Indigenous histories in the Americas, Indigenous cultures and literatures, and Indigenous peoples in global perspectives.

Students may petition for certificate credit for courses that are not on the list. The petition must show that the course contains significant Indigenous content. Before enrolling in any courses for the graduate certificate, students should contact the NAIS coordinator.

Course #	Title	Hours
NAIS:3110/ ANTH:3110/ CBH:4200/ GHS:3110	Colonialism and Indigenous Health Equity	3
NAIS:3240/ ANTH:3240	Cultural Resources Management Archaeology: Practice and Practicalities	3
NAIS:3243/ ANTH:3243	Archaeology of the American Midcontinent	3
NAIS:3257/ ANTH:3257	North American Archaeology	3
NAIS:3270/ HIST:3270	Colonial North America, ca. 1600-1775	3
NAIS:3289/ HIST:3289	The Atlantic World c. 1450-1850	3
NAIS:3430/ POLI:3430	Environmental Politics and Indigeneity	3
NAIS:3432/ POLI:3432	Agriculture Politics and Policy	3
NAIS:3441/ ENGL:3441	Native American Literature	3
NAIS:3502/ HIST:3502/ LAS:3502	A Journey Through Mexico's Past: From Tenochtitlan to Independence	3
NAIS:4500	Special Topics in Native American and Indigenous Studies	1-3
NAIS:6620/ ENGL:6620	Readings in Native American Literatures	3
NAIS:7202/ HIST:7202	Readings: 20th-Century Native American History	arr.

ENGL:3431	American Novel Since 1945 (when topic is Native American literature)	3
ENGL:3515	Topics in Postcolonial Studies	3
FREN:4090	Quebec Literature	3
GWSS:3350/ ANTH:3125/IS:3350	Transnational Feminism	3
HIST:4130/ MUSM:4130	Museum Literacy and Historical Memory	3
HIST:6140/ AMST:6140	Engaged Scholarship in the Humanities	0,3
SPAN:3240	Mexico City	3

Graduate Education

Graduate education prepares students with advanced knowledge and skills in specialized fields. At the University of Iowa, the Graduate College advocates for student-centered graduate education and supports equitable application of rules and policies across graduate programs.

Academics

University of Iowa graduate credentials are regulated by policies and requirements found in the Graduate College Manual of Rules and Regulations. This includes minimum grade-point average (GPA) requirements for academic standing and degree conferral. The Graduate College sets the minimum requirement. Individual graduate programs may establish higher GPA requirements.

Admissions

Graduate student applicants must meet admission requirements for both the Graduate College and the program to which they have applied. University of Iowa graduate admission requirements are published by the Graduate College and on the Graduate Admissions website.

Financial Support

Graduate students might be eligible for financial support. Several contingencies apply, including degree program and award type, satisfactory progress toward degree, satisfactory completion of all duties related to an appointment, and availability of funding. Graduate students should inquire directly with their program for more information about funding availability. The Graduate Student Employment Standards govern the employment relationship between the University of Iowa and all graduate teaching and research assistants in all matters except wages, which are covered by an existing collective bargaining agreement or the conditions of an applicable federal grant.