

Native American and Indigenous Studies, Minor

The undergraduate minor in Native American and Indigenous studies (NAIS) requires a minimum of 15 s.h., including 12 s.h. taken at the University of Iowa. Students must maintain a g.p.a. of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Course work in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass. Students may count a maximum of 6 s.h. of course work from a major toward the NAIS minor.

A student may earn the minor or the certificate in Native American and Indigenous studies, but not both.

The minor in Native American and Indigenous studies requires the following course work.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Both of these:		
NAIS:1049/ AMST:1049/ HIST:1049	Introduction to American Indian and Native Studies	3
NAIS:2165/ AMST:2165/ ANTH:2165	Native Peoples of North America	3

Elective Courses

Students must choose at least one course from two of the three lists below (6 s.h. total) and earn at least 9 s.h. in elective course work.

Indigenous Cultures and Literatures

Code	Title	Hours
NAIS:1290/ AMST:1290/ GHS:1290/ HIST:1290	Native American Foods and Foodways	3
NAIS:2300/ AMST:2300	Native Americans in Film	3
NAIS:2700/ RELS:2700	Sacred World of Native Americans	3
NAIS:3257/ ANTH:3257	North American Archaeology	3
NAIS:3258/ ANTH:3258	Southwestern Archaeology	3
NAIS:3276/ RELS:3976	American Indian Environmentalism	3
NAIS:3441/ ENGL:3441	Native American Literature	3
FREN:4090	Quebecois Literature	3

Indigenous Histories in the Americas

Code	Title	Hours
NAIS:2292/ HIST:2292	Introduction to American Indian History and Policy	3
NAIS:3211/ HIST:3211	Native North America I: Precontact-1789	3

NAIS:3212/ HIST:3212	Native North America II: 1789-Present	3
NAIS:3270/ HIST:3270	Colonial North America, ca. 1600-1775	3
NAIS:4502/ HIST:4502/ LAS:4502	History of Mexico	3

Indigenous Peoples in Global Perspective

Code	Title	Hours
NAIS:3110/ ANTH:3110/ GHS:3110	Health of Indigenous Peoples	3
NAIS:3272/ HIST:3272	Native Americans in the Age of Empires, ca. 1500-1815	3
NAIS:3289/ HIST:3289	The Atlantic World c. 1450-1850	3
ENGL:2505	Introduction to Postcolonial Studies	3
ENGL:3515	Topics in Postcolonial Studies	3
GWSS:3350/ ANTH:3125/IS:3350	Transnational Feminism	3

Applied Research

It is highly recommended, but not required, that students have an in-depth Native American research experience before they complete their undergraduate requirements. This may be completed through NAIS:4990 Independent Study. Students should consult NAIS faculty advisors about available options.