

Native American Studies

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Overview

The Native American Studies Program exists to broaden the understanding of students interested in the history, culture, and contemporary situations of Native Americans in the United States.

The curriculum has been structured to provide courses that deal with both historical and cultural analysis of Native American cultures and contemporary legal and social institutions that affect Native American life. The program not only stresses sound academic preparation in the classroom but also allows students the flexibility to take part in community-oriented education through field work or studies directed toward community situations and problems.

Group Major

The major program in Native American Studies leads to an BA degree. Admission to the program requires written approval from a program academic adviser who will assist in working out an appropriate course of study. Consultation with the adviser for admission into the major should be held no later than the first semester of the junior year. Students will be required to outline their academic and professional goals.

Major Requirements

Lower Division

- Ethnic Studies 10AC and 11AC
- Native American Studies 20A and 20B.

Upper Division

- Ethnic Studies 101A, 101B, 103
- Native American Studies 110
- Completion of three elective courses from Native American Studies 100, 101, 102, 104, 120, 120AC, 145, 149, 150, 151, C152, 158, 175, 176, 177, 178, 178AC, 182, 190
- Native American Studies 197 (4 units total)

Honors Program

The Native American Studies Program provides a program leading to the BA degree with honors. A student must have senior standing; a 3.5 GPA overall; and a 3.5 GPA in the major. To complete the degree with honors the student will be required to complete Native American Studies H195A/B and will be graded according to standards determined by the faculty as being of honors quality.

Minor Requirements

- Native American Studies 110
- Completion of four elective courses from Native American Studies 100, 101, 102, 104, 120, 120AC, 145, 149, 150, 151, C152, 158, 175, 176, 177, 178, 178AC, 182, 190

NATAMST R1A Native American Studies Reading and Composition 4 Units

Department: Native American Studies

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer

Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 10 hours of lecture/writing workshop per week for 6 weeks. 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of writing workshop per week for 15 weeks.

Prerequisites: Satisfaction of UC Entry Level Writing Requirement.

This course introduces students to the genres of Native American literature (written and oral traditions), provides historical and cultural frameworks for understanding, appreciating, and interpreting Native American writings, and develops basic skills in expository and creative writing. Satisfies the first half of the Reading and Composition requirement.

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NATAMST R1B Native American Studies Reading and Composition 4 Units

Department: Native American Studies

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer

Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of writing workshop per week for 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of writing workshop per week for 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of writing workshop per week. 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of writing workshop per week. 6 weeks. 6 weeks.

Prerequisites: 1A.

Course examines Native American written and oral traditions in historical and cultural contexts. Emphasis on literary interpretation and creative and analytical writing, so that students increasingly write from positions of strength. Satisfies the second half of the Reading and Composition requirement.

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NATAMST 20A Introduction to Native American Studies 4 Units

Department: Native American Studies

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Fall and summer

Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture and 1 hour of Tutorial per week for 15 weeks. 7.5 hours of Lecture and 2.5 hours of Tutorial per week for 6 weeks.

This course explores the interactions, from friendship treaties and land deals to contemporary American governmental policies, between America's original inhabitants with Europeans and Euro-Americans. Emphasis will be placed on how tribal peoples continue to react to the national myths and policies created by Europeans and Euro-Americans.

NATAMST 20B Introduction to Native American Studies II: Cultural Practice, Art, and Identity 4 Units

Department: Native American Studies

Course level: Undergraduate

Terms course may be offered: Spring and summer

Grading: Letter grade.

Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture and 1 hour of Discussion per week for 15 weeks. 7.5 hours of Lecture per week for 6 weeks.

This course explores Native American identity practices in written and oral traditions in literature, art, dance, theatre, ceremony, and song. The place of these traditions in the contemporary day will be emphasized as creative struggles for maintaining and elaborating on Indian identity in the context of colonialism.

NATAMST 39A Freshman/Sophomore Seminar 1.5 - 4 Units

Department: Native American Studies

Course level: Undergraduate