Fall 2018 classes in Alaska Native Languages

The Alaska Native Language Program offers courses in Yup’ik, Inupiaq, Aleut and Athabascan languages spoken in the state. Major and minor curricula are offered in Central Yup’ik, the largest Alaska Native language in terms of number of speakers; and Inupiaq, the second largest. Regular courses are also available in Gwich’in Athabascan. UAF is the only university in the United States to provide such programs. Professional opportunities for those skilled in Alaska Native languages exist in teaching, research and cultural, educational and political development.

The Alaska Native language teaching program benefits from the research staff and library of the Alaska Native Language Center. Students have access to researchers who are world leaders in documenting Eskimo and northern Athabascan languages.

Additional courses for majors and minors

• ANL 241—Intermediate Athabascan: Gwich’in (CRN 73021)
  Beginning Athabascan-Gwich’in. Development of conversational ability, additional grammar and vocabulary.

• ANL 251X—Intro Athabascan Linguistics (CRN 74865)
  Intro to the linguistic structure of the Athabascan family of languages, drawing on examples from the Athabascan languages of Alaska. Writing systems, word structure, texts, and language relationships. Techniques for accessing linguistic reference materials and the role of linguistic documentation in language revitalization and language learning.

• ANL 287—Teaching Methods for Alaska Native Languages (online) (CRN 74967)
  Methodology approaches and practice in teaching Native language and literacy to both speakers and non-speakers. Prerequisites: Knowledge of a Native language.

• YUP 201—Intermediate Central Yup’ik (CRN 74243)
  Continuation of YUP F101 and YUP F102. Increasing emphasis on speaking, reading and writing. Prerequisites: YUP F102 or permission of instructor.

• INU 211—Intermediate Inupiaq (CRN 73697)
  Continuation of INU F111 and INU F112, concentrating on development of conversational ability, with presentation of additional grammar and vocabulary. Prerequisites: INU F112.

• YUP 301—Advanced Central Yup’ik (CRN 77418)
  Continuation of YUP F201 and YUP F202. Completes basic study of Central Yup’ik grammar. Prerequisites: YUP F102; YUP F102; YUP F201; YUP F202; or instructor permission.

• ANL 401—Alaska Native Language Apprenticeship (CRN 75933)
  Beginning Athabascan-Gwich’in. Development of conversational ability, additional grammar and vocabulary.