

ALASKA NATIVE STUDIES

College of Rural and Community Development
 Department of Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development
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B.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 120 credits

Alaska Native studies provides students with an awareness of the scope, richness and variety of Alaska Native cultures. It offers a series of critical perspectives on the contemporary Native experience in North American society. The B.A. degree can be earned on the Fairbanks campus or through distance delivery.

Students complete a concentration in one of four areas: Alaska Native Forms of Cultural Expression, Alaska Native Education, Alaska Native Language, Alaska Native Law, or Government and Politics.

The Alaska Native studies B.A. prepares students to appreciate historical and contemporary cultural dynamics. The department also welcomes students pursuing a second major or a minor. It encourages students who expect to be involved professionally in Alaska Native communities or other multicultural settings to pursue this degree.

Students applying for acceptance into the Alaska Native Studies program need to complete two department-specific requirements in addition to general university admission: an oral interview with faculty and a written questionnaire. Findings from this process will be used to support the department advising process and assist students in connecting with faculty and mentors. The questionnaire and instructions for the oral interview are on the DANSRD website under "How to Apply."

Special application requirements and deadlines apply for distance B.A. programs. For more information contact the department toll-free at 800-770-9531 or visit www.uaf.edu/danrd/.

Major — B.A. Degree

- Complete the general university requirements (page 137).
- Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 137), including 39 credits of upper division credits. Non-Fairbanks campus students choosing a minor other than Rural Development must verify that the required courses can be accessed via distance before declaring that minor. Courses used in the core major and concentration area may be double counted for the minor.
- Complete the following:*
 - ANS F101—Introduction to Alaska Native Studies.....3
 - ANS/ANTH F242—Native Cultures of Alaska.....3
 - ANS F310—Indigenous Land Settlements.....3
 - ANS F350W,O—Cross Cultural Communication: Alaskan Perspectives.....3
 - ANS F375—Native American Religion and Philosophy.....3
 - ANS F401—Cultural Knowledge of Native Elders.....3
 - RD F350—Community Research in Indigenous Contexts.....3
 - ANS F478W—Alaska Native Studies Senior Thesis.....3
- Complete 9 ANS/RD/TM elective credits.....9

- Complete 21 credits in one of the following concentrations (These are recommended courses. Course substitutions may be made with approval of the faculty advisor):*

Alaska Native Education

ANL F315—Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo-Aleut.....	3
ANL F316—Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages.....	3
ANS F102—Orientation to Alaska Native Education.....	2
ANS F111—History of Alaska Natives.....	3
ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaska Native Performance**.....	3
ANS F250—Current Alaska Native Leadership Perspectives.....	3
ANS F251—Practicum in Native Cultural Expression.....	3
ANS F300W—Alaska Native Writers Workshop.....	3
ANS/ANTH F320W—Language and Culture: Application to Alaska.....	3
ANS/ENGL F340—Contemporary Native American Literature.....	3
ANS F348W—Native North American Women.....	3
ANS F351—Practicum in Native Cultural Expression.....	1-3
ANS F370—Issues in Alaska Bilingual and Multicultural Education.....	1
ANS/ED F420—Alaska Native Education.....	3
ANS F461—Native Ways of Knowing.....	3
ANS F475—Alaska Native Social Change.....	3
RD F110—ANCSA: Land Claims in the 21st Century.....	1
RD F265—Perspectives on Subsistence in Alaska.....	3
RD F470/F670—ANCSA Pre-1971 to present.....	3

Alaska Native Forms of Cultural Expression

ANL F315—Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo-Aleut.....	3
ANL F316—Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages.....	3
ANS F111—History of Alaska Natives.....	3
ANS F160—Alaska Native Dance.....	1
ANS/THR F161—Introduction to Alaska Native Performance.....	3
ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaska Native Performance**.....	3
ANS F250—Current Alaska Native Leadership Perspectives.....	3
ANS F251—Practicum in Native Cultural Expression.....	3
ANS F300W—Alaska Native Writers Workshop.....	3
ANS/ANTH F320W—Language and Culture: Application to Alaska.....	3
ANS/ENGL F340—Contemporary Native American Literature.....	3
ANS F347—Voices of Native American Peoples.....	3
ANS F348W—Native North American Women.....	3
ANS/ENGL F349—Narrative Art of Alaska Native Peoples (in English translation).....	3
ANS F351—Practicum in Native Cultural Expression.....	1-3
ANS F360—Advanced Native Dance.....	1
ANS F361—Advanced Alaska Native Performance.....	3
ANS/ART F365—Native Art of Alaska.....	3
ANS F381W—Alaska Natives in Film.....	3
ANS F461—Native Ways of Knowing.....	3
RD F265—Perspectives on Subsistence in Alaska.....	3
RD F470/F670—ANCSA Pre-1971 to present.....	3



Alaska Native Language (not available at all campus locations)

Complete two years study of an Alaska Native language (16 credits) and choose 6 credits from the following:*

ANL F255—Introduction to Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo-Aleut3

ANL F256—Introduction to Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages3

ANL F287—Teaching Methods for Alaska Native Languages.....3

ANL F288—Curriculum and Materials Development for Alaska Native Languages3

ANL F315—Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo-Aleut.....3

ANL F316—Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages.....3

ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaska Native Performance**.....3

ANS F300W—Alaska Native Writers Workshop.....3

ANS/ANTH F320W—Language and Culture: Application to Alaska3

ANS F370—Issues in Bilingual and Multicultural Education.....3

ANS F461—Native Ways of Knowing3

Alaska Native Law, Government and Politics

ANS F111—History of Alaska Natives3

ANS F250—Current Alaska Native Leadership Perspectives.....3

ANS/RD F315—Tribal Peoples and Development.....3

ANS/ANTH F320W—Language and Culture: Application to Alaska3

ANS/PS F325—Native Self-Government3

ANS F348W—Native North American Women3

ANS/PS F425—Federal Indian Law and Alaska Natives.....3

ANS/PS F450—Comparative Aboriginal Rights and Policies.....3

ANS F475—Alaska Native Social Change3

ANS F461—Native Ways of Knowing3

ENGL F414W—Research Writing.....3

PLS F280—Legal Research and Writing for Paralegals.....3

PS F263—Alaska Native Politics3

RD F110—ANCSA: Land Claims in the 21st Century1

RD F265—Perspectives on Subsistence in Alaska3

RD F300—Rural Development in a Global Perspective3

RD F470/670—ANCSA Pre-1971 to present.....3

TM F201—Advanced Tribal Government3

6. Minimum credits required120

* Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.

** ANS F202X may not be counted toward an Alaska Native Studies major if used to fulfill core requirements.

Minor***

1. Complete the following:
ANS F300- or F400-level course3
ANS F401—Cultural Knowledge of Native Elders3
Alaska Native Studies electives.....9

2. Minimum credits required15

*** All minor programs must be approved by the Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development department head.

