Alaska Native Studies

College of Liberal Arts
Department of Alaska Native Studies
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B.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: B.A.: 130 credits

Alaska Native Studies seeks to provide 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 pluralistic North American society. The interdisciplinary academic program is built upon a combination of courses offered by the Alaska Native Studies program and other specialized disciplines.

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.

Major

Concentrations: General, Language

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 106).

2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 109).

3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:* 
    a. Complete the following:
       ANS 315—Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo-Aleut** (3)
       or ANS 316—Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages* *(3) .....................................................3
       ANS/PS 325—Native Self-Government ...........................................................3
       ANS 347—Voices of Native American Peoples ...........................................3
       ANS 401—Cultural Knowledge of Native Elders...........................................3
       ANS/ANTH 242—Native Cultures of Alaska..............................................3
       HIST 110—History of Alaska Natives (3)
       or ANS 101—Introduction to Alaska Native Studies (3) ......................3
    b. Complete 1 of the following concentrations*:
       General

1. Complete the following:
   ANS/ENGL 340—Contemporary Native American Literature (3)
   or ANS/ENGL 349—Narrative Art of Alaska Native Peoples
   (in English Translation) (3)...........................................................................3
   ANS/PS 425—Federal Indian Law and Alaska Natives (3)
   or ANS/PS 450—Comparative Aboriginal Rights and Policies (3) .........3

2. Complete 9 credits from the following (you may include courses not selected from courses above in general part 1):
   ANS 160—Alaska Native Dance...............................................................1
   ANS/THR 161—Introduction to Alaska Native Performance ............3
   ANS 202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaska Native Performance** ............3
   ANS 250—Current Alaska Native Leadership Perspectives .............3
   ANS 251—Practicum in Native Cultural Expression..........................3
   ANS 300W—Alaska Native Writers Workshop .................................3
   ANS 310—The Alaska Native Lands Settlement ................................3
   ANS/ART 315—Tribal People and Development ...............................3
   ANS 320W—Language and Culture: Application of Alaska.............3
   ANS 335—Native North Americans..................................................3
   ANS 348W—Native North American Women.................................3
   ANS 350W—Cross Cultural Communication: Alaskan Perspectives..................................................3
   ANS 351—Practicum in Native Cultural Expression.........................3
   ANS 360—Advanced Native Dance .....................................................1
   ANS 361—Advanced Alaska Native Performance ............................3
   ANS/ART 365—Native Art of Alaska ....................................................3
   ANS 375—Native American Religion and Philosophy ......................3
   ANS/ED 420—Alaska Native Education .............................................3
   ANS 475—Alaska Native Social Change .............................................3
   PS 263—Alaska Native Politics .........................................................3
   RD 255—Rural Alaska Land Issues ...................................................3
   SOC 408—Race and Ethnic Relations ...............................................3

3. Minimum credits required..........................................................130

Language

1. Complete the following:
   ANL 251—Introduction to Athabascan Linguistics (3)
   or LING 101—Nature of Language (3) ..................................................3
   ANL 287—Teaching Methods for Alaska Native Languages ...........3
   ANL 288—Curriculum and Materials Development for Alaska
   Native Languages ................................................................................3
   ANS/ANTH 320W—Language and Culture:
   Applications to Alaska .................................................................3
   LING 450—Language Policy and Planning .......................................3

2. Complete the following Language concentration requirement:
   Three years of 1 Alaska Native language or equivalent** ...........22

3. Minimum credits required..........................................................130
   * Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.
   ** These courses may be used to fulfill the bachelor of arts requirements for a
   minor complex, or foreign/Alaska Native language option (page 109).
   *** ANS 202X may not be counted toward an Alaska Native studies major if
   used to fulfill core requirements.
   Note: ANL 235 may be substituted for ANL 315.
   Note: ANL 256 may be substituted for ANL 316.

Minor*

1. Complete the following:
   ANS 300- or 400-level course.........................................................3
   ANS 401—Cultural Knowledge of Native Elders..............................3
   Alaska Native Studies electives.......................................................9

2. Minimum credits required..........................................................15
   * All minor programs must be approved by the department head of Alaska
   Native studies.

Note: Page numbers refer to the UAF 2004-2005 academic catalog,
which can be viewed online at www.uaf.edu/catalog/.
General University Requirements
All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses. Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

COMMUNICATIONS (9)
Complete the following:
ENGL 111X .........................................................(3) ___
ENGL 211X OR 213X .............................................(3) ___
COMM 131X OR 141X ...........................................(3) ___

LIBRARY & INFORMATION SKILLS (0–1)
Complete the following:
LS 100X OR 101X ...................................................(0-1) ___
OR Successful completion of library skills competency test.

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)
Complete either the following six courses:
ANTH 100X OR SOC 100X ...........................................(3) ___
ECON/PS 100X .....................................................(3) ___
HIST 100X ...........................................................(3) ___
ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X .......(3) ___
ENGL/FL 200X ....................................................(3) ___
PHIL 322X, NRM 303X, COMM 300X, PS 300X OR JUST 300X ...........................................(3) ___
OR Complete 12 cr from the above list PLUS two semester-length courses in a single non-English or Alaska Native language at the university level OR three semester-length courses (9 cr) in American Sign Language.

MATHEMATICS (3–4)
Complete 3-4 credits from the following:
MATH 107X ....................................................(3) ___
OR MATH 131X (except for BBA) .....................(3) ___
OR MATH 161X .............................................(3) ___
MATH 200X ....................................................(4) ___
MATH 201X ....................................................(4) ___
MATH 202X ....................................................(4) ___
MATH 262X ....................................................(4) ___
MATH 272X ....................................................(3) ___
NOTE: Additional 3 cr of math needed for degree requirements.

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)
Complete 8 credits from the following:
ATM 101X .....................................................(4) ___
BIOL 103X OR 104X ...........................................(4) ___
BIOL 105X–106X .............................................(8) ___
BIOL 111X–112X .............................................(8) ___
CHEM 100X ....................................................(4) ___
CHEM 103X–104X .............................................(8) ___
CHEM 105X–106X .............................................(8) ___
GEOG 205X .....................................................(4) ___
GEOS 100X OR 120X OR 125X ..............................................(4) ___
GEOS 101X–112X .............................................(8) ___
MSL 111X .....................................................(4) ___
PHYS 102X OR 175X .............................................(4) ___
PHYS 103X–104X .............................................(8) ___
PHYS 211X–212X .............................................(8) ___
PHYS 211X–213X .............................................(8) ___
PHYS 212X–213X .............................................(8) ___