

ALASKA NATIVE STUDIES

College of Rural and Community Development
Department of Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development
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BA Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 120 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 North American society. The BA 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 BA 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.

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

Major — BA Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 131).
2. Complete the BA degree requirements (page 135).
3. 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
 - RD F475—Rural Development Senior Project.....3
4. Complete 9 ANS/RD elective credits.....9
5. 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-Aleut.....3	
ANL F256—Introduction to Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages.....3	
ANL F287—Teaching Methods for Alaska Native Languages.....3	
ANL F288—Curriculum and Materials Development for Alaska Native Languages.....3	
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 Alaska.....3	
ANS F370—Issues in Bilingual and Multicultural Education.....3	
ANS F461—Native Ways of Knowing.....3	

Alaska Native Law, Government and Politics

ANS F111—History of Alaska Natives.....3	
ANS F250—Current Alaska Native Leadership Perspectives.....3	
ANS/RD F315—Tribal Peoples and Development.....3	
ANS/ANTH F320W—Language and Culture: Application to Alaska.....3	
ANS/PS F325—Native Self-Government.....3	
ANS F348W—Native North American Women.....3	
ANS/PS F425—Federal Indian Law and Alaska Natives.....3	
ANS/PS F450—Comparative Aboriginal Rights and Policies.....3	
ANS F475—Alaska Native Social Change.....3	
ANS F461—Native Ways of Knowing.....3	
ENGL F414W—Research Writing.....3	
PLS F280—Legal Research and Writing for Paralegals.....3	
PS F263—Alaska Native Politics.....3	
RD F110—ANCSA: Land Claims in the 21st Century.....1	
RD F265—Perspectives on Subsistence in Alaska.....3	
RD F300—Rural Development in a Global Perspective.....3	
RD F470/670—ANCSA Pre-1971 to present.....3	
TM F201—Advanced Tribal Government.....3	

6. Minimum credits required.....120
- * 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.

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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.



Baccalaureate Core Requirements

Communication 9 Credits

- ENGL F111X—Introduction to Academic Writing.....(3)
ENGL F190H may be substituted.

Complete one of the following:

- ENGL F211X—Academic Writing about Literature.....(3)
- ENGL F213X—Academic Writing about the Social and Natural Sciences.....(3)

Complete one of the following:

- COMM F131X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Group Context.....(3)
- COMM F141X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Public Context.....(3)

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Perspectives on the Human Condition 18 Credits

Complete all of the following four courses:

- ANTH F100X/SOC F100X—Individual, Society and Culture.....(3)
- ECON F100X or PS F100X—Political Economy.....(3)
- HIST F100X—Modern World History.....(3)
- ENGL/FL F200X—World Literature.....(3)

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Complete one of the following three courses:

- ART/MUS/THR F200X—Aesthetic Appreciation: Interrelationship of Art, Drama and Music.....(3)
- HUM F201X—Unity in the Arts.....(3)
- ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaskan Native Performance.....(3)

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Complete one of the following six courses:

- BA F323X—Business Ethics.....(3)
- COMM F300X—Communicating Ethics.....(3)
- JUST F300X—Ethics and Justice.....(3)
- NRM F303X—Environmental Ethics and Actions.....(3)
- PS F300X—Ethics and Society.....(3)
- PHIL F322X—Ethics.....(3)

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Or complete 12 credits from the above courses plus one of the following:

- Two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language
- Three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

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Mathematics 3 Credits

Complete one of the following:

- MATH F103X—Concepts and Contemporary Applications of Mathematics.....(3)
 - MATH F107X—Functions for Calculus*.....(4)
 - MATH F161X—Algebra for Business and Economics**.....(3)
 - STAT F200X—Elementary Probability and Statistics.....(3)
- * No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F107X or F161X.

Or complete one of the following:*

- MATH F200X—Calculus I**.....(4)
- MATH F201X—Calculus II.....(4)
- MATH F202X—Calculus III.....(4)
- MATH F262X—Calculus for Business and Economics.....(4)
- MATH F272X—Calculus for Life Sciences.....(4)

* Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite

** No credit may be earned for more than one of Math F200X, F262X or F272.

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Natural Sciences 8 Credits

Complete any two (4-credit) courses.

- ATM F101X—Weather and Climate of Alaska.....(4)
- BIOL F100X—Human Biology.....(4)
- BIOL F101X—Biology of Sex.....(4)
- BIOL F103X—Biology and Society.....(4)
- BIOL F104X—Natural History.....(4)
- BIOL F115X—Fundamentals of Biology I.....(4)
- BIOL F116X—Fundamentals of Biology II.....(4)
- BIOL F120X—Introduction to Human Nutrition.....(4)
- BIOL F213X—Human Anatomy and Physiology I.....(4)
- BIOL F214X—Human Anatomy and Physiology II.....(4)
- CHEM F100X—Chemistry in Complex Systems.....(4)
- CHEM F103X—Basic General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F104X—Beginnings in Biochemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F105X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F106X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- GEOG F111X—Earth and Environment: Elements of Physical Geography.....(4)
- GEOS F100X—Introduction to Earth Science.....(4)
- GEOS F101X—The Dynamic Earth.....(4)
- GEOS F106X—Life and the Age of Dinosaurs.....(4)
- GEOS F112X—History of Earth and Life.....(4)
- GEOS F120X—Glaciers, Earthquakes and Volcanoes.....(4)
- GEOS F125X—Humans, Earth and Environment.....(4)
- MSL F111X—The Oceans.....(4)
- PHYS F102X—Energy and Society.....(4)
- PHYS F103X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F104X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F115X—Physical Science I.....(4)
- PHYS F175X—Astronomy.....(4)
- PHYS F211X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F212X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F213X—Elementary Modern Physics.....(4)

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Library and Information Research 0 – 1 Credit

- Successful completion of library skills competency test or LS F100X or LS F101X prior to junior standing

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Upper-Division Writing and Oral Communication

Complete the following at the upper-division level:

- Two writing intensive courses designated (W) and one oral communication intensive course designated (O), or two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2) (see degree and/or major requirements)

Total credits required 38 – 39

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.

Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course used toward the baccalaureate core.