

ALASKA NATIVE STUDIES

College of Rural and Community Development
Department of Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development
907-474-5405
www.uaf.edu/danrd/

BA 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 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 129).
2. Complete the BA degree requirements (page 133). 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.
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 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***

- Complete the following:

ANS F300- or F400-level course	3
ANS F401—Cultural Knowledge of Native Elders	3
Alaska Native Studies electives.....	9
- Minimum credits required15

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