

COURSES IN SCOPE AND SEQUENCE APPLIED INDIGENOUS STUDIES

SOME COURSES MAY NOT BE OFFERED EVERY SEMESTER.

CHECK WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND THE CURRENT CLASS SCHEDULE FOR INFORMATION ABOUT WHEN SPECIFIC COURSES ARE OFFERED.

FALL CORE COURSES

AIS 101 – Introduction to Indigenous Studies – Studies indigenous peoples historically and contemporaneously, using case studies drawn from diverse cultures. Also traces indigenous studies as a field, with methods and content distinct from the disciplines that contribute to it. Fall, Spring

AIS 202 – Roots of Federal American Indian Policy – This course surveys the basic concepts and ideologies surrounding modern United States Federal Indian policy, with an emphasis on stereotypes, historical controversies, and cultural differences. Fall

AIS 301W – Communication Skills for Applied Indigenous Studies – Assists in developing the communication skills needed by professionals working in American Indian tribal communities. This course fulfills NAU's junior-level writing requirement. Prerequisites: ENG 105, AIS 101, 6 additional hours in AIS courses, and junior status. Fall

AIS 320 (Co-listed with POS 320) – American Indian Politics and Policy – This course examines the development of the political and policy relationship between Native American nations and The United States government using a political, social, economic and cultural context. Prerequisites: POS110. Fall

AIS 404 – Senior Seminar in Strategic Analysis and Planning – Introduces literature on planning in its various forms, such as strategic, land use, integrated resource, and public-private collaboration. Prerequisites: AIS 301 and senior status. Fall

AIS 408 – Fieldwork Experience – Individualized supervised field experience in an appropriate agency or organization. Involves providing reports for a cooperating tribe or agency. Prerequisite: junior status. Fee required. Fall, Spring, and Summer

FALL ELECTIVES- Count toward your minor or emphasis area

AIS 470 – Traditional Ethnobiological Knowledge of Indigenous Peoples- This course addresses traditional ethnobiological knowledge of wild foragers and farmers, and explores case studies of indigenous communities interacting with parks, endangered species regulators and environmentalists. Prerequisite: Jr. Status or Sr. Status or Graduate

SPRING CORE COURSES

AIS 101 – Introduction to Indigenous Studies – Studies indigenous peoples historically and contemporaneously, using case studies drawn from diverse cultures. Also traces indigenous studies as a field, with methods and content distinct from the disciplines that contribute to it. Fall, Spring

AIS 201 – American Indian Expression – Surveys art, literature, journalism, and modern works that that constitute Native American expression and contribution to the American aesthetic tradition. Spring

AIS 210 (Co-listed with POS 210) – Current American Indian Governments – Provides overview of the development of modern tribal governments, their powers, and the problems they face, including a historical examination of North American indigenous societies. Spring

AIS 304 – Indigenous-State Relations: Comparative Global Contexts – Introduces the basic principles of U.S. Indian law and compare them to those of other nations with indigenous peoples. Spring

AIS 350 – Research Issues in Applied Indigenous Studies – This course introduces students to the ideological, political, and practical issues involved in managing and conducting research with indigenous communities. Spring

AIS 408 – Fieldwork Experience – Individualized supervised field experience in an appropriate agency or organization. Involves providing reports for a cooperating tribe or agency. Prerequisite: junior status. Fee required. Fall, Spring, and Summer

AIS 490C – Strategic Planning – Involves series of group strategic planning exercises and individual evaluations of them. Prerequisites: AIS 404 and all AIS-required core courses. Spring

SPRING ELECTIVES- Count toward your minor or emphasis area

AIS 232 – Museums and American Indians: Collecting, Displaying and Repatriating Indigenous Cultures – Introduction to museum anthropology and current developments in tribal and non-tribal museums, with special attention to ideology of display and politics of repatriation. Spring

AIS 450 – American Indian Health Care, Promotion and Policy – Addresses healthcare systems, policy and health conditions unique to Native Americans. Studies environmentally related illness, healthy environments and innovative healing and illness prevention strategies in the current Native American context. Spring

ALL SEMESTERS

AIS 497 – Independent Study – Individualized approach to selected topics by guided reading and critical evaluation. Pass-fail only. No repeat limit.

AIS 499 – Contemporary Developments – Examine recent trends and investigations in a selected area. Letter grade only. No limit.