

About the Program

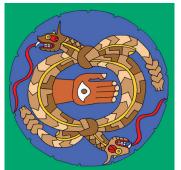
The Native American and Indigenous Studies program at VSU allows you to construct your own minor in Native American and Indigenous Studies. You may choose from a wide range of disciplines. We focus on historic and current issues in the Indigenous world, to include a global perspective and developments in domestic and international law and policy.

The NAIS Program takes an interdisciplinary approach to gaining a greater understanding of Native American and Indigenous Peoples and an increased appreciation for the contribution of these people.

Students from all ethnic and academic backgrounds are welcome as the program offers a unique interdisciplinary approach. Courses cover a broad spectrum of subjects such as philosophy, religion, history, gender, anthropology, literature, and law.

The Native American Students' Group, "Four Directions", works in conjunction with the program and assists in coordinating a variety of social and educational functions, The student projects and involvement of Four Directions have earned the status of Excellence in student Groups at Valdosta State University. Membership in this group is open to all students.





Faculty

Dr. F. E. Knowles, Jr., Chair Dr. Dixie Haggard, History Dr. Lavonna L. Lovern, Philosophy and Religious Studies

Dr. Erica Parra, Modern and Classical Languages

Dr. Shelly Yankovskyy, Sociology and Anthropology



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College of Humanities & Social Sciences











Requirements & Courses

PHIL/REL 3610 Native American Thought and Cultures (Required Course)

...and any four of the following:

CULTURE

ANTH 3070 Magic, Religion and Witchcraft
ANTH 3130 Indians of North America
NAIS 3620 Post Colonization
NAIS 3630 Native American Women
REL 3640 Alternative World Religions
REL 4700 African to African American
REL 4800 Philosophy of Religion

HISTORY

HIST 4226 The Colonial South
HIST 4241 Native American History to 1850
HIST 4242 Nat. Amer. History Since 1850
HIST 4243 Nat. Amer. People in the S.E.
HIST 4244 Native Americans in Film
HIST 4303 Spanish Borderlands

LAW AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

NAIS 3500 Contemporary Native American Experience
NAIS 4100 Native Americans and Criminal Justice
NAS 4200 Federal Indian Law
NAS 4500 Special Topics in Native American Studies

Graduate Credit Now Available

Graduate Students who wish to study within the Program may do so by enrolling in NAIS 5500- Special Topics XXXX. A section of NAIS 5500 will be offered in contemporaneous with all undergraduate courses. For example, if NAIS 4200- Federal Indian Law is scheduled, a graduate section entitled NAIS 5500- Special Topics (Advanced Federal Indian Law) will be available for graduate registration.

Certificate Program

For students who complete twelve (12) hours, but do not finish the fifteen (15) required or a minor, a Certificate in Native American and Indigenous Studies will be issued.



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