

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

OVERVIEW

The Graduate Certificate in Indigenous Studies is designed to provide students with necessary knowledge of the events, laws, policies, and treaties that have defined the relationship between the United States and Indigenous Nations and Peoples. This knowledge is essential to analysis of a broad range of historical, political, religious and social issues in the U.S.

The program will provide students with a solid grounding in the histories and cultures of the indigenous peoples of North America. The certificate program enables students to integrate knowledge of indigenous issues into their own academic disciplines or professional training.

Completion of the certificate in Indigenous Studies represents an additional credential for graduate students from a variety of academic fields who are preparing for careers in research and teaching or professional practice. The certificate will also enhance the qualifications of students seeking careers with indigenous organizations, government, and museums, among many other options.

Enrollment in the program is open to students admitted to a regular KU graduate program as well as students who are not currently enrolled at KU.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

The Indigenous Studies Graduate Certificate requires 12 hours of coursework:

- ISP 800: Indigenous Issues in the United States (3 hrs.)
- 9 hours of graduate-level coursework with 50% or more content in Indigenous Peoples; courses must be approved by the ISP Executive Committee.

APPLICATION AND ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE

Current Students

Current graduate students wishing to enroll in the Graduate Certificate program will need to apply through the Graduate School. The application process entails completing the online application, paying a \$30.00 application fee, and submitting materials required for the Indigenous Studies Certificate:

- A letter stating your interest in Indigenous Studies and its relationship to your graduate course of study;
- An unofficial copy of your KU transcript;
- A letter of support from your graduate degree program.

A student must be in good standing with their graduate degree program in order to participate in the certificate program. A graduate GPA of 3.0 or higher is required for admission.

Non-KU Students

Students who are not currently enrolled at KU must complete an application for non-degree status to the Graduate School and submit an application fee along with the following materials:

- A letter stating your interest in the Indigenous Studies Graduate Certificate program;
- A copy of your college transcript;
- Two letters of recommendation from persons familiar with your academic work or potential for graduate study.

Minimum requirements include a bachelor's degree with a 3.0 or higher GPA. The GPA requirement may be waived at the discretion of the ISP Director.

COURSES

The following list represents courses taught by affiliate faculty members of the Indigenous Studies program that could be taken by certificate students. Other courses may be approved by the ISP Director.

ANTH 506 Ancnt Amr Civilztn:Mesoamerica
ANTH 507 The Ancient Maya
ANTH 508 Ancient Amer Civil:Centrl Andes
ANTH 562 Mexamerica
ANTH 603 Shamanism Past and Present
ANTH 701 History of Anthropology
ANTH 718 Sem Latin Americn Archaeology:
ANTH 775 Seminar Cultural Anthropology
ENGL 571 American Indian Literature
EVRN 542 Ethnobotany
EVRN 615 Environmental Impact Assessmnt
EVRN 701 Clmte Chg,Ecolgcl Chg&Socl Chg
EVRN 702 Energy,Ecology&Community in KS
EVRN 720 Topics in Environmental Studies
FMS 620 International Women Filmmakers
FMS 592 Documentary Film and Video
GEOG 571 Topics in Cultural Geography
GEOG 771 Topics in Cultural Geography
GEOG 970 Seminar in Cultural Geography
HIST 890 Collqm American Hist 1492-1800
HIST 962 Seminar in American History

ISP 800 Indigenous Issues in the United States
ISP 801 Indigenous Peoples of the World
ISP 804 Special Topics
ISP 814 Decolonizing Narratives
ISP 824/LAW 914 Federal Indian Law
ISP 882/LAW 967 Native American Natural Resources
LAA 634 Indigenous Traditns Latn Amerc
LING 747 North American Indian Language
MUSE 702 The Nature of Museums
MUSE 780 Special Topics: Culture of Museums
POLS 684 Internatl Law:State&Individual
POLS 774 International Law
REL 534/ISP 804 Studies in Ritual: Play Sports & Games
REL 775/ISP 804/AMS 998 Smnr Religion&Society in West: Issues in the study of Native American Religious Traditions
SOC 970 Smnr Sp Tp Social Conflict & Change
UBPL 773 Environmntl Planning Implemntn

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM

Eligibility criteria for admission to the certificate program include a B.A. degree from an accredited institution with a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Students admitted to the certificate program may be enrolled either as a regular graduate student or admitted to the Graduate School as a certificate seeking student.

Students must maintain grade-point averages of 3.0 or better in all courses taken to satisfy requirements of the Indigenous Studies Certificate. At the conclusion of the program, the student should ask the Indigenous Studies program to verify that the requirements for the certificate have been met.

The total credit hours earned from a certificate and transferred into a graduate degree program cannot exceed six hours. Eight hours can be permitted if the student holds a baccalaureate degree from KU.

Student records will be handled by the department's graduate secretary.

Awarding of certificates will be handled consistent with guidelines and timing of degree awards of the Graduate School.

Completion of the program will appear on the graduate transcript.