Courses

AKNS A101A Elementary Central Yup’ik Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little, or no, prior knowledge of the Central Yup’ik language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Central Yup’ik for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101B Elementary Tlingit Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little, or no, prior knowledge of the Tlingit language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Tlingit for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and cultures.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101C Elementary Alaska Native Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little, or no, prior knowledge of the offered Alaska Native language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in the Alaska Native language for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and cultures.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101D Elementary Unangam Tunuu Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little, or no, prior knowledge to the Unangam Tunuu language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Unangam Tunuu for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101E Elementary Alutiiq Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little or no prior knowledge to the Alutiiq language. Develops listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Alutiiq for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and cultures.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101F Elementary Den’a’ina Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little or no prior knowledge of the Den’a’ina Athabaskan language. Develops listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Den’a’ina for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and cultures.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101G Elementary Ahtna Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little or no prior knowledge of the Ahtna language. Develops listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Ahtna Athabaskan for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101H Elementary Ahtna Language I 4 Credits
Introductory course for students with little or no prior knowledge of the Ahtna language. Develops listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Ahtna Athabaskan for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101I Elementary Unangam Tunuu II 4 Credits
Continuation introductory course. Develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Unangam Tunuu for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101J Elementary Central Yup’ik Language II 4 Credits
Continuation introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Central Yup’ik for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101K Elementary Alutiiq Language II 4 Credits
Continuation introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Alutiiq for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101L Elementary Den’a’ina Language II 4 Credits
Continuation introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Den’a’ina for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and cultures.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A101M Elementary Ahtna Language II 4 Credits
Continuation introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Ahtna Athabaskan for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102A Elementary Central Yup’ik Language II 4 Credits
Continuation introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Central Yup’ik for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102B Elementary Tlingit Language II 4 Credits
Continues introductory course. Develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Tlingit for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102C Elementary Alaska Native Language II 4 Credits
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in a selected Alaska Native language for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102D Elementary Unangam Tunuu II 4 Credits
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Unangam Tunuu for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102E Elementary Alutiiq Language II 4 Credits
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Alutiiq for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and cultures.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102F Elementary Den’a’ina Language II 4 Credits
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Den’a’ina for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and cultures.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102G Elementary Ahtna Language II 4 Credits
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Ahtna Athabaskan for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102H Elementary Unangam Tunuu II 4 Credits
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Unangam Tunuu for effective communication at the elementary level. Addresses history of Alaska Native languages and culture.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.
AKNS A102E Elementary Alutiiq Language II 4 Credits
Continues developing elementary listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Alutiiq. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Prerequisites: AKNS A101E with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102F Elementary Denaina Language II 4 Credits
Continues introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Denaina for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Prerequisites: AKNS A101F with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102II Elementary Ahtna Language II 4 Credits
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Ahtna Athabascan for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A102I Elementary Unangam Tunuu II 4 Credits
Continues introductory course. Develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Unangam Tunuu for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of Alaska Native and cross-cultural perspectives.
Prerequisites: AKNS A101I with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A114A Central Yupik Reading and Writing 3 Credits
Enhances reading and writing Central Yupik for students with oral proficiency in the Central Yupik language. Introduces alphabet and phonetic classification, dialects, orthography and a history of the Central Yupik writing system. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Prerequisites: AKNS A101A with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A114B Tlingit Reading and Writing 3 Credits
Enhances reading and writing Tlingit for students with oral proficiency in the Tlingit language. Introduces alphabet and phonetic classification, dialects, and a history of the Tlingit writing system. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Prerequisites: AKNS A101B with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A114C Alaska Native Language Reading and Writing 3 Credits
Enhances reading and writing in an Alaska Native language for students with oral proficiency in the Alaska Native language. Introduces alphabet and phonetic classification, dialects, and a history of the selected Alaska Native language writing system. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Registration Restrictions: Fluency in Alaska Native language and instructor approval required. Must be same language as AKNS A101C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A114E Alutiiq and Sugpiaq Reading and Writing 3 Credits
Introduces reading and writing in the Alutiiq/Sugpiaq language for students with some listening comprehension and verbal skills in Alutiiq (Sugt'stun). Covers alphabet and phonetic classification, dialects, and a history of the Alutiiq writing system. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Registration Restrictions: Prior exposure to spoken Alutiiq and instructor permission.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A114F Denaina Reading and Writing 4 Credits
Introduces reading and writing Denaina for students with oral proficiency in the Denaina language. Introduces alphabet and phonetic classification, dialects, orthography and a history of the Denaina writing system. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Registration Restrictions: Proficiency in speaking Denaina or instructor permission may substitute for the required prerequisite course(s).
May Be Stacked With: AKNS A102F
Prerequisites: AKNS A101F with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A114H Ahtna Reading and Writing 3 Credits
Introduces reading and writing Ahtna for students with oral proficiency in the Ahtna language. Students will be introduced to alphabet and phonetic classification, dialects, orthography and a history of the Ahtna writing system. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Registration Restrictions: Students should have taken a minimum of one semester of Ahtna before they enroll in this class, or have fluency in Ahtna or instructor permission.
Prerequisites: AKNS A101H with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A114I Unangam Tunuu Reading & Writing 3 Credits
Introduces reading and writing Unangam Tunuu for students with oral proficiency in the Unangam Tunuu language. Students will be introduced to alphabet and phonetic classification, dialects, orthography and a history of the Unangam Tunuu writing system. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Registration Restrictions: Students should have taken a minimum of one semester of Unangam Tunuu I before they enroll in this class, or have fluency in Unangam Tunuu, or instructor permission.
Prerequisites: AKNS A101I with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.
AKNS A182 Grant Writing for Alaska Native Communities 1 Credit
Introduces grant writing focused on community-based grant proposals, including successful approaches appropriate to rural and Alaska Native communities. Includes grant tips, reviewer scoring, grant trends and proposal components.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A190 Selected Topics: Alaska Native Cultural Skills 1-3 Credits
Focuses on an applied traditional Alaska Native skill. Covers historical and modern practices, as well as traditional knowledge and mentorship learning of Alaska Native practices such as arts, technologies or culinary techniques.
Special Note: May be repeated for a maximum of 9 credits with change of subfield.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A201 Alaska Native Perspectives 3 Credits
Introduces Alaska Native perspectives on kinship, time, philosophy, symbolism, spirituality, communication, justice, oral traditions, storytelling, material culture, and the relationship to the environment. Includes the diversity of Alaska Native peoples, languages, and worldviews and how these influence contemporary and global issues.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A215 Music of Alaska Natives and Indigenous Peoples of Northern Regions 3 Credits
Explores music and dance practices of Alaska Native and Indigenous peoples of the circumpolar north by region and culture group. Interdisciplinary methods will be used to examine the historical and social dynamics behind changing musical and cultural traditions. Fundamentals of ethnomusicology theory and research methods will be introduced.
Registration Restrictions: AKNS A201 or MUS A111 recommended prior to registering for this course.
Crosslisted With: MUS A215.
Prerequisites: WRTG A111 with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Fine Arts GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A216 World Indigenous Music 3 Credits
Surveys Indigenous music cultures of the world. Examines musical traditions of Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, the Near/Far East, and Oceania within the context of musical styles and culture.
Crosslisted With: MUS A216
Prerequisites: WRTG A111 with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Fine Arts GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A218A Alaska Native Drummaking Techniques: Athabascan and Southeast Style 3 Credits
Studio course in which students learn the fundamentals of making handheld frame drums in the Athabascan and Southeast Alaskan Indian style. Students will also study the living tradition of Alaska Native drum practices.
Crosslisted With: MUS A218A
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A218B Alaska Native Drummaking Techniques: Inupiaq and Yup’ik Style 3 Credits
Studio course in which students learn the fundamentals of making handheld frame drums in the Inupiaq and Yup’ik Alaskan Native tradition. Students will also study the living tradition of Alaska Native drum practices.
Crosslisted With: MUS A218B
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A230 Oral Traditions of Alaska Native People 3 Credits
Introduces Alaska Native oral traditions, both the stories told by different Alaska Native cultures and the indigenous languages that convey those stories. Examines the role of oral traditions in sharing knowledge and beliefs in Alaska Native cultures, the importance of indigenous languages in conveying ideas, the translation of oral traditions into recorded or printed media, and contemporary settings where oral traditions continue.
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A240 Alaska Native Cultural Orientation - Alutiiq/Sugpiaq 3 Credits
Holistic introduction to the history, culture, arts, politics, and contemporary issues in the Alutiiq/Sugpiaq region. Designed for professionals and educators working with Native community members and families. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A240A Alaska Native Cultural Orientation: Yup’ik 3 Credits
Introduces students to the history, culture, arts, politics, and contemporary issues in the Yup’ik region. Provides students with professionals and educators working with Native community members and families. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A240F Alaska Native Cultural Orientation: Denaina 3 Credits
Provides holistic introduction to the history, culture, arts, politics, and contemporary issues in the Denaina region. Designed for students, professionals and educators working with Native community members and families. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A240H Alaska Native Cultural Orientation: Ahtna 3 Credits
Provides holistic introduction to the history, culture, arts, politics, and contemporary issues in the Ahtna region. Designed for students, professionals and educators working with Native community members and families. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A240I Alaska Native Cultural Orientation: Unangax# 3 Credits
Provides holistic introduction to the history, culture, arts, politics, and contemporary issues in the Unangax# region. Designed for students, professionals and educators working with Native community members and families. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Humanities GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.
AKNS A261 Alaska Native Art History 3 Credits
Introduces Alaska Native art forms, past and present. Examines the uses of art in Alaska Native cultures, materials and methods used in creating art, differences between Native and Western approaches to art, and contemporary approaches to customary art forms. Fosters appreciation of Alaska Native arts and cultures exposing students to world-class artists and collections here in Alaska as well as introducing them to the epistemological underpinnings of Alaska Native art forms.
Attributes: UAA Fine Arts GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A290 Topics in Alaska Native Studies 1-3 Credits
Examines contemporary issues in Alaska Native studies at an introductory level. Course can include political, social and historical aspects of Alaska Native peoples and culture.
Special Note: Subtitle varies. May be repeated for credit up to three times with a different subtitle.
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A292A Alaska Native Language Apprenticeship 1-3 Credits
Introduces language learning through apprenticeship with fluent speakers of a specific Alaska Native language in an individual or small-group workshop format. Covers strategies and techniques of the master-apprentice method and provides intensive study with fluent speakers to increase oral fluency. Enhances cross-cultural perspectives.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A292B Alaska Native Language Conversational Fluency Intensive 1-3 Credits
Provides intensive study of conversational speech in an Alaska Native language. Maximizes fluency development for students with previous coursework or life experience with an Alaska Native language.
Registration Restrictions: Course prerequisite or instructor permission
Prerequisites: AKNS A101A with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101B with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101C with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101D with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101E with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101F with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101H with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101I with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A301 Introduction to Indigenous Language Revitalization 3 Credits
Explores Indigenous language revitalization movements, activities, trends in social linguistics, and investigation of terminology. Covers processes involved in language policy, planning and advocacy, and effective methods that have reversed language shift.
Special Note: Previous experience or background with an Alaska Native language is recommended.

AKNS A313 Tribes, Nations and Peoples 3 Credits
Analyzes and evaluates the history of expansion, invasion, contemporary questions, and issues that confront indigenous tribes, nations and peoples, including their political, social, economic, and cultural activities. Investigates corresponding relations with non-indigenous governments and private entities as well as international developments concerning indigenous human rights.
Crosslisted With: PS A313
Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C or PS A102 with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A346 Alaska Native Politics 3 Credits
Introduction to historical relationships among federal, territorial, state and local laws and policies as they affect Alaska Natives and Native/non-Native relations. Includes contemporary issues and comparative case studies.
Special Note: May be used to fulfill the Alaska studies requirement for teacher certification.
Registration Restrictions: Upper-division standing
Crosslisted With: PS A346
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A356 Yup’ik Music and Dance Ensemble 3 Credits
Teaches movement, singing, drumming and the cultural contextual aspects of Alaska Native dance, including history, culture and connection to language. Designed for students who are interested in learning about Alaska Native creative expression. Ensemble course in Central Yup’ik Alaska Native music and dance.
Special Note: May be repeated for a maximum of 9 credits.
Crosslisted With: MUS A356
Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C or (AKNS A215 with a minimum grade of C or MUS A215 with a minimum grade of C) or (AKNS A216 with a minimum grade of C or MUS A216 with a minimum grade of C).
Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A375 Principles of Federal Indian Law and Policy 3 Credits
Introduces principles of Federal Indian law and policy with an emphasis on their impacts in Alaska. Covers relevant statutes and court rulings, along with their impacts. Emphasizes the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction from the Violence Against Women Act.
Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C and WRTG A111 with a minimum grade of C.

AKNS A390 Intermediate Topics in Alaska Native Studies 1-3 Credits
Examines topics in Alaska Native studies at an intermediate level. Includes political, social, contemporary and historical aspects of Alaska Native peoples and cultures.
Special Note: Subtitle varies. May be repeated twice for credit with a different subtitle.
Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C or ANTH A200 with a minimum grade of C.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.
AKNS A395 Native Language Instructor Practicum 3 Credits
Provides supervised Field experience in Alaska Native Language Instruction. Students develop, implement and evaluate elements of a comprehensive, developmentally appropriate curriculum and learning environment.

Special Note: Requires 125 hours of field experience. May be repeated once with a different language.

Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval, admission to practicum Alaska Native Language Instructor Certificate.

Prerequisites: (AKNS A114F with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A114H with a minimum grade of C) and AKNS A301 with a minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment.

AKNS A421 Indigenous Language Curriculum Design & Instruction 3 Credits
Explores curriculum design methods and methodology in Indigenous language(s). Focuses on culturally appropriate curriculum planning, development, instruction and assessment.

Prerequisites: (AKNS A101A with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101B with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101C with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101D with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101E with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101F with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101H with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A101I with a minimum grade of C and (AKNS A240A with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A240E with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A240F with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A240H with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A240I with a minimum grade of C).

Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A432 Indigenous Well-Being and Education 3 Credits
Examines psychological and cultural perspectives of human development and well-being of indigenous peoples. Designed to promote, nurture, explore and understand the influence of culture on the indigenous person. Of special interest to educators in schools serving indigenous students and individuals working with indigenous communities regarding cultural understandings, and change in historical and contemporary contexts.

Special Note: Course is co-organized as a multi-site international videoconference seminar - collaborating institutions include the University of Alaska Fairbanks, University of Arizona, Dine College, University of British Columbia, University of Montana, University of Hawai‘i Hilo, and Te Whare Wanaga o Awanuiarangi, New Zealand.

Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C or AKNS A346 with a minimum grade of C or ANTH A200 with a minimum grade of C or PS A346 with a minimum grade of C.

AKNS A461 Decolonizing Methodologies 3 Credits
Introduces research methods informed by Indigenous ways of producing and sharing knowledge, ethical considerations, collaborative research design with Indigenous communities and peoples, the sharing of research materials and outcomes, and multivocal authorship. Examines the process of integrating responsibilities as a researcher with respect for cultural property rights and ownership.

Crosslisted With: ANTH A461.

Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C or ANTH A200 with a minimum grade of C or ANTH A202 with a minimum grade of C.

Attributes: UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A482 Indigenous Knowledge(s) and the Sciences in Global Contexts 3 Credits
Explores ideologies underlying the sciences and Indigenous Knowledge(s) (IK) including how aspects of each paradigm converge, diverge, or negotiate parallel paths. Surveys IK and Western science methodologies, including how paradigms are constructed and reconstructed through the influence and engagement of Indigenous peoples.

Special Note: Course includes 7 weeks of videoconference and online exchanges with Victoria University of Wellington Te Kawa a Maui School of Maori Studies students and co-instructor/UAA AKNS affiliate faculty Dr. Ocean Mercier (PhD-Physics).

Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C or ANTH A200 with a minimum grade of C.

AKNS A490 Advanced Topics in Alaska Native Studies 1-3 Credits
Examines topics on contemporary issues in Alaska Native studies at an advanced level. Course can include political, social and historical aspects of Alaska Native people and culture.

Special Note: Subtitle varies. May be repeated two times for credit with a different subtitle.

Registration Restrictions: Upper-division standing

Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C.

Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.

AKNS A492 Cultural Knowledge of Native Elders 3 Credits
Provides a hands-on experiential learning encounter for the student. Elders from different Alaska Native cultures will be invited to participate and impart knowledge to the students. Fosters an appreciation of diversity across cultures, a broader understanding of creative expression, and Indigenous worldview.

Special Note: Students enrolling in this course should have either upper-division class standing with a strong background in the social sciences or appropriate life experience, or a combination of the two prior to enrolling in this course.

Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of C or ANTH A200 with a minimum grade of C.

Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.
AKNS A495 Alaska Native Studies Internship 1-3 Credits
This is designed as a supervised on-campus or off-campus internship which provides an opportunity for students to work in the professional environment of an Alaska Native organization. Students perform significant work and/or research and develop professional skills and networks. The internship requires a formal agreement between the student, the faculty member and the supervisor.
Special Note: May be repeated for up to 6 credits.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission, upper division standing and knowledge of Alaska Native issues required.
Prerequisites: AKNS A201 with a minimum grade of D.

AKNS A495A Indigenous Language Instructor Internship 3 Credits
Provides a supervised on-campus or off-campus internship opportunity for students to work in the professional environment of an Alaska Native organization. Allows students to perform significant work and/or research and develop professional skills and networks. Requires a formal agreement between the student, the faculty member and the supervisor.
Special Note: May be repeated for a maximum of 6 credits.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor approval.
Attributes: UAA Diversity & Inclusion GER, UAA Alaska Native-Themed GER.