



Lakota Studies Department Sinte Gleska University

Learning Outcomes & Plan of Study

Bachelor of Arts in Lakota Studies

Upon Completion of the Bachelor of Arts in Lakota Studies, graduates will:

- Demonstrate knowledge of Lakota worldview and philosophy.
- Knowledge and an emphasis on Lakota culture with the necessary enhancement of knowledge to prepare students to act as transmitters of Lakota history and culture for tribal programs and schools.
- Students will gain an understanding of him/herself.
- Students will gain knowledge of and communicate effectively in speaking and writing the Lakota language.
- Students will have an understanding of tribal history and implications of sovereignty.
- Students will gain an understanding of Lakota arts, music, dance, literature, and traditional healing.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the essential understandings of Lakota origins, early cultural development, how the coming of the Europeans and their policies impacted the early Lakota history and culture through assigned readings, class lectures and participation, written assignments and final exam.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the essential understandings of how the later U.S. Government's policies fit into the role of acculturating the Lakota, and how the Lakota live on the nine reservations with regard to their political, social, economic and religious lifestyles through assigned readings, class lectures and participation, written assignments and final exam.
- Recognize the importance of the Oceti Sakowin (Seven Council Fires) through assigned readings, class lectures and participation, written assignments and final exam.
- Demonstrate an attitude of personal curiosity, a rising knowledge of cultures, and an evolving range of skills for living and working among others with other worldviews and ways of life. Cultural Competence.
- Recognize ethical, political and legal issues surrounding the Lakota Oyate, discuss the boarding school system, and summarize the history of the Oceti Sakowin (Seven Council Fires/Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota) through assigned readings, class lectures and participation, written assignments and final exam. Identify major benchmarks of history.
- Identify the role of the American Indian Movement in issues of citizenship and social justice, examine the second Wounded Knee, and the political role of the American Indian Movement through assigned readings, class participation, written assignments and final exam. Analyze History.
- Research notable Lakota leaders throughout history, explore contemporary Lakota leaders, and notable individuals through written assignments.

- Explain the origins of sovereignty, explore the role of sovereignty in Lakota history, apply the idea of sovereignty to many ethical and legal issues facing the Lakota Nation today through assigned readings, class participation, written assignments and final exam. Analyze Sovereignty
- Explore the history of the Lakota People, and identify the locations of the current Lakota reservations, including the Oceti Sakowin through written assignments and readings.
- Share Lakota oral traditions / storytelling, and gain a basic understanding of Lakota world views and cultural practices through class participation. Recognize Culture and Traditions.

Plan of Study

Bachelor of Arts in Lakota Studies (53-55 Credit Hours)					
Year 1			Year 2		
Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer
AS 141	EN 102		AN 200	LL 102	
CE 107	MA 120		AN 201	LS 118	
EN 101	SP 100		HI 251	LS 253	
LL 101			IS 230	LS 270	
			IS 260	MA 270	
<u>Select One:</u> PS 100 PY 100 SO 100	<u>Select One:</u> AS 142 EN 251 LL 120 MU 130		<u>Select One:</u> BI 101 BI 151 BI 152 BI 245 SC 202	<u>Select One:</u> CH 151 CH 152 ESC 101 ESC 121 SC 201	
12 Credit Hours	14 Credit Hours		10-11 Credit Hours	9-10 Credit Hours	

Bachelor of Arts in Lakota Studies (53-55 Credit Hours)					
Year 3			Year 4		
Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer
IS 380	LS 320		AN 450	LS 488	
LL 400	LS 321		LS 325	LS 499	
LS 288	LS 360		LS 449	PY 468	
LS 300	LS 395		LS 450		
LS 305			LS 470		
15 Credit Hours	12 Credit Hours		15 Credit Hours	9 Credit Hours	

***A signature indicates understanding Plan of Study and Completion of all Courses:**

Student Signature:

Date:

Department Chairperson Signature:

Date: