

ALASKA NATIVE STUDIES

B.A. Degree

Alaska Native studies is a social science program that explores current and historical Alaska and broader circumpolar issues from the indigenous perspective. The curriculum grounds students in tribal histories and cultures, governmental policies and local Indigenous affairs. The program incorporates Native traditional knowledge, wisdom and experience into contemporary issues and studies. Graduates are prepared to make leadership contributions throughout communities of the circumpolar North. They may also continue to higher education in fields such as law, policymaking and Indigenous studies.

Students complete a concentration in one of three areas:

- Indigenous Rights and Advocacy
- Cultural Revitalization
- Community Resiliency
- Multidisciplinary

Graduates may find employment in many different areas including government, health and social services, performance arts, justice and cultural programs. They may also serve as cultural ambassadors to promote cross-cultural communications across the North. The B.A. degree can be earned on the Fairbanks campus or through distance delivery. The department welcomes students pursuing a second major or a minor.

Students applying for acceptance into the Alaska Native studies program need to complete a department-specific written questionnaire in addition to general university admission requirements. Findings from this process will be used to support the department advising process and assist students in connecting with faculty and mentors. The questionnaire is found on the DANSRD website under "How to Apply."

Special application requirements and deadlines apply for distance B.A. programs.

Minimum Requirements for Alaska Native Studies Bachelor's Degree: 120 credits

Learn more about the bachelor's degree in Alaska Native studies (<https://uaf.edu/academics/programs/bachelors/alaska-native-studies.php>), including an overview of the program, career opportunities and more.

College of Rural and Community Development
 Department of Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development (<https://www.uaf.edu/dansrd/>)
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Programs

Degree

- B.A., Alaska Native Studies (<http://catalog.uaf.edu/bachelors/bachelors-degree-programs/alaska-native-studies/ba/>)

Minor

- Minor, Alaska Native Studies (<http://catalog.uaf.edu/bachelors/bachelors-degree-programs/alaska-native-studies/minor/>)