ESKIMO

B.A. Degree

Eskimo languages are spoken by far northern people from the northeastern tip of Siberia, across Alaska and Canada, to East Greenland. The Eskimo languages include the four Yupik languages of Alaska and Siberia as well as Inuit, the Alaska sector of which is called Inupiaq. In terms of population and numbers of speakers, Central Alaska Yup’ik is by far the largest Alaska Native language; Inupiaq is the second largest. Eskimo languages are the linguistic heritage of more than half of Alaska’s Native population.

Students who obtain a B.A. in Central Yup’ik or Inupiaq Eskimo may be employed as Native language instructors or language specialists for school districts or Native organizations. No other university in the United States offers a B.A. in Eskimo.

Students in linguistics or anthropology may want to complete a minor in Eskimo to add a distinctly Alaska emphasis to their education.

Minimum Requirements for Inupiaq and Yup’ik Eskimo Bachelor’s Degrees: 120 credits

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