TRIBAL GOVERNANCE (TG)

College of Rural and Community Development
Tribal Governance Program (https://tribal.uaf.edu/)
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TG F101  Introduction to Tribal Government in Alaska  (an)
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
An introduction to the study of tribal government and politics in Alaska, including tribal legislative and judicial and administrative responsibilities. Present key concepts of federal Indian law, self-determination and self-governance for building and enhancing tribal governments.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

TG F102  Essentials of Tribal Government  (an)
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
This course will provide an overview of tribal council executive, legislative and judicial responsibilities including tribal council role in writing laws, basics of tribal sovereignty, sovereign immunity and rights of tribal members.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F103  Introduction to Tribal Administration
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
This course will review the knowledge, skills and abilities required to successfully serve as a Tribal Administrator for Tribal Government within Alaska, including: introduction to Federal Indian Law, basics of Tribal Self-Governance/BIA 638 Contracts programs and funding, overview of tribal financial management, reporting fundamentals and role of the Tribal Administrator.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F105  Introduction to Managing Tribal Governments  (an)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Tools and methods for the management and oversight of tribal government programs and organizations. Student evaluation includes how well the student affects changes in tribal operations and tribal management.
Prerequisites: Must be familiar with computer and related word processing and spreadsheet programs.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

TG F110  Tribal Court Development for Alaska Tribes
1 Credit
An introduction to tribal court development in Alaska. Will focus on a practical understanding of key concepts for developing a tribal court process in rural Alaska. Will explore the differences and relationships between tribal, state, and federal justice systems, including concepts of jurisdiction and due process.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F111  Children’s Topics in Tribal Justice
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Overview of children’s cases in tribal justice. Preparation for informed participation in the tribal justice system as it affects children and families. Topics such as the Indian Child Welfare Act, child protection, child custody and tribal adoptions will be addressed.
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F112  Federal Indian Law for Alaska Tribes  (an)
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction to federal Indian law, focusing on the impacts to modern Alaskan tribal governments. Particular attention will be given to the relationship between federal Indian law and tribal justice systems in Alaska.
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F113  Tribal Code Development
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focuses on development of written tribal codes, including the importance of incorporating traditional unwritten laws and values into modern written codes. Particular attention will be given to the relationship between written tribal laws and tribal justice systems.
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F114  Tribal Justice Responses to Community and Domestic Violence
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focuses on role of the tribal justice system in responding to community and domestic violence, including the use of tribal protective orders under the federal Violence Against Women Act (VAWA).
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F115  Tribal Court Administration
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focuses on the administration of tribal courts in Alaska and the role of the tribal court clerk. Key concepts and strategies related to the effective administration and operation of tribal justice systems in Alaska will be discussed.
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F116  Juvenile Justice in Tribal Court
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focuses on concepts and strategies impacting juveniles in tribal justice systems. Special focus will be given to issues of juvenile delinquency, strategies in sentencing and community monitoring, as well as, youth courts and community justice theories.
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F117  Tribal Court Enforcement of Decisions
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focuses on role of the tribal government and justice system in enforcement of tribal court decisions in rural Alaska, including monitoring of offenders. Key concepts and strategies related to enforcement of tribal court decisions, including writing effective orders and monitoring of offenders, will be discussed.
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
TG F118  Tribal Community and Restorative Justice
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focuses on concepts and strategies in community justice, restorative justice, tribal peacemaking and other prominent judicial theories impacting modern Alaskan tribal jurisprudence.
Recommended: TG F110.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F120  Introduction to Tribal Natural Resources Stewardship  (an)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Examination of foundations, principles and goals of tribal natural resources stewardship. Including the history of tribal stewardship in Alaska, covering state and federal natural resources laws and management systems. The course will also introduce concepts and tools in developing tribal natural resources stewardship programs, including successful contemporary models.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

TG F140  Introduction to Geospatial Data
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
An introductory survey of tools for the gathering and mapping of both qualitative and quantitative geospatial data for the natural and social sciences. Students will get direct experience with basic tools and techniques for gathering geospatial data, and will incorporate their data into an existing geospatial database.
Prerequisites: Basic computer literacy equivalent to CIOS F100.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F141  Practical GIS for Rural Alaska
2 Credits
Practical and place-based introduction to the development of maps using Geographic Information System (GIS) software. Covers basic tools and skills necessary for creating community maps using existing geospatial data as well as data gathered using Global Positioning System (GPS) technology. Class exercises emphasize applications pertinent to rural Alaska map development.
Prerequisites: TG F140.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 2 + 0 + 0

TG F142  Practical GIS Project Design
2 Credits
How to design and implement basic Geographic Information System (GIS) projects. Class exercises emphasize GIS project planning, data collection, and practical map development to meet common needs for communities in rural Alaska.
Prerequisites: TG F141.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 2 + 0 + 0

TG F170  Fundamentals of Rural Transportation
4 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Provides an introduction to managing the unique multi-modal transportation system in rural Alaska. Course is designed for entry-level transportation managers or those new to rural transportation issues.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 4 + 0 + 0

TG F171  Introduction to the Indian Reservation Roads Program  (an)
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction to the federal Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) program. The course will cover the history of the program, including recent program changes and their applicability to and effect on Alaska Native Tribes and communities in rural Alaska. The fundamentals of implementing a tribal IRR program will be presented.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F172  Conducting a Rural Transportation Inventory
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Provides students with hands-on experience in conducting a field inventory of transportation facilities. Emphasis on meeting the inventory requirements for the Indian Reservation Roads program.
Special Notes: Recommended TG F171.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F173  Traffic Monitoring for Rural Transportation
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focus on basic tools to conduct traffic monitoring in rural Alaska, including: purpose; terms, definitions, acronyms commonly used; where and when to monitor; data collection tools, techniques, reporting; adjustment factors and adjusted average daily traffic (ADT) calculations. Emphasis placed on meeting ADT requirements of Indian Reservation Roads program.
Special Notes: Recommended TG F171 and TG F172.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 0.5 + 1 + 0

TG F174  Basics of a Good Gravel Road
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Provides students with a basic understanding of what makes a good gravel road. This course is designed for entry-level transportation managers as well as transportation maintenance and operations staff.
Recommended: TG F171; TG F172; TG F173.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 0.5 + 1 + 0

TG F182  Introduction to NEPA for Rural Transportation
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction to federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and its applicability to rural Alaska transportation projects. Covering the history of NEPA, including recent policy changes affecting Alaska Native Tribes. Presenting an overview of NEPA process, document categories, requirements for different types of transportation projects, effective participation in agency-led NEPA processes.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F199  Tribal Management Practicum I
3 Credits
Professional and personal development while working in a rural service organization. Emphasis on developing the understanding and skills necessary for delivery of rural services. Course is guided by an academic advisor. Student must be willing and able to work independently outside the classroom and in the community.
Prerequisites: Must be familiar with computer and related word processing and spreadsheet programs.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0
TG F201  Tribal Government in Alaska II  (an)  
3 Credits
Offered Spring
A study of tribal government and politics in Alaska. Explores the historical relationships among tribal, state and federal government in Alaska. Provides a focus on tribal sovereignty and self-determination for building and enhancing tribal governments.
Prerequisites: TG F101.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

TG F205  Managing Tribal Governments II  (an)  
3 Credits
Advanced tools and methods for the management and oversight of tribal government programs and organizations. Student evaluation includes how well the student affects changes in tribal operations and tribal management.
Prerequisites: TG F105.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

TG F221  Tribal Participation in Federal Fish and Wildlife Management Systems  
1-3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction to Tribal Government/Citizen participation in Federal Subsistence Management in Alaska as it pertains to promoting traditional ways of life. This course will review: ANILCA Title 8; Tribal Consultation; administration/structure/operations of Federal Subsistence Management. Experiential learning includes development of testimony and/or participation in Federal meetings.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1-3 + 0 + 16

TG F222  Tribal Participation in State Fish and Game Management Systems  
1-3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction to Tribal Government/Citizen participation in State of Alaska fish and game management as it pertains to promoting traditional ways of life. Review of administration/structure/operations of fish and game management, including Local Advisory Committees, and/or Board of Fish/Game. Experiential learning includes development of testimony and/or participation in state meetings.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1-3 + 0 + 16

TG F225  Cross Connections: Adapting and Integrating Principles of Management and Conservation  
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Skills, abilities and knowledge needed to adapt traditional Western science and management principles to indigenous resource concepts and values are crucial when dealing with contemporary rural Alaska natural resource, land and environmental management issues. Prepare students, provide tools/methods for considering cross-cultural concepts and values in resource management and conservation decisions.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

TG F250  Current Topics in Tribal Government  
1-3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Various topics of current interest to Tribal Governments and Tribal Management students. Topics announced prior to each offering and course may be repeated for credit.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1-3 + 0 + 0

TG F271  Rural Transportation Planning  (an)  
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction to the planning requirements of rural transportation programs, with emphasis on the Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) program. An overview of a transportation planning cycle, from grounding and visioning through plan development, implementation, evaluation and re-visioning. Review and discussion of planning elements that can be included under IRR program regulations.
Prerequisites: TG F171.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F272  Finance Applications for Rural Transportation  
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Prepares students and provides financial tools and methods for the management and oversight of rural government transportation programs. Familiarity with rural transportation issues and basic finance applications recommended.
Prerequisites: TG F105.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F273  Transportation Improvement Programs and Control Schedules  
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Focus on basic skills to develop a Tribal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and supporting Control Schedule for rural Alaska. Covering process, minimum requirements for developing a TIP, developing a supporting control schedule and tying control schedule to internal budget processes. Emphasis placed on meeting requirements of Indian Reservation Roads program.
Prerequisites: TG F272.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F274  Road Inventory Field Data System  
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction to the BIA Road Inventory Field Data System (RIFDS). Students will learn to navigate RIFDS and to enter, modify, and delete inventory data. The relationship between RIFDS, other databases, and fund allocation will be examined. Students may apply for RIFDS access upon completion of course.
Prerequisites: Basic computer literacy equivalent to CIOS F100 and familiarity with the BIA Indian Reservation Roads program.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

TG F276  Project Management for Rural Transportation  
4 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introductory course on project management, focusing on transportation projects in rural Alaska. Designed for individuals familiar with rural transportation programs but new to project management.
Prerequisites: TG F170 or TG F171; TG F172; TG F173; TG F174.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 4 + 0 + 0
TG F299  Tribal Management Practicum II
3 Credits
Professional and personal development while working in a rural service organization. Emphasis on developing the understanding and skills necessary for delivery of rural services. Course is guided by an academic advisor. Student must be willing and able to work independently outside the classroom and in the community.

**Prerequisites:** Must be familiar with computer and related word processing and spreadsheet programs.

**Lecture + Lab + Other:** 3 + 0 + 0