

AMERICAN INDIAN EDUCATION MINOR

Minor in American Indian Education

This minor is housed within the College of Professional Studies.

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The Program

The American Indian Education (AIE) minor provides an understanding of the particular educational needs of American Indian students, as well as the skills to apply methodologies and classroom practices conducive to academic success and validation of cultural identity and values.

Having a positive self-identity and strong cultural affirmation is key for the success of any student in school and in life, but American Indian students face assaults on their identity and culture on a daily basis. To help ensure success in working with American Indian students and communities, the College of

Professional Studies provides a rigorous curriculum designed to heighten awareness of the numerous and complex issues surrounding American Indian education, along with successful educational models and classroom applications.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MINOR

Core Courses (9 units)

- AIE 330 (3) History of Indian Education*
- AIE 335 (3) Social and Cultural Considerations*
- AIE 340 (3) Educational Experiences*

Child Growth & Development (3 units)

Choose one from the following courses:

- CD 253 (3) Prenatal & Infant Development
- CD 255 (3) Early Childhood Development
- CD 256 (3) Middle Childhood Development

Language & Communication Awareness (3 units)

Choose from one of the following courses:

- AIE 380/AIE 580 (3) Special Topics
- NAS 340 (3) Language & Communication in Native American Communities
- NAS 345 (3) Native Languages of North America

AIE courses also comprise a specialization within the Child Development major, as well as a special area of emphasis in the MA Education program.

AIE courses are available to all HSU students. Community members may enroll through Extended Education; call 707-826-3731 for a schedule of classes.

