

AMERICAN INDIAN EDUCATION

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

- AIE 330 History of Indian Education* **
- AIE 335 Social & Cultural Considerations* **
- AIE 435 Counseling Issues* **

One of the following two courses:

- AIE 340 Educational Experiences* **
- AIE 345 American Indians in Higher Education

Three units from the following:

- AIE 380/580 Special Topics
- AIE 430 Seminar: Proposal & Grantwriting Process

The American Indian Education minor is strongly recommended for participants in the Indian Teacher & Educational Personnel Program (ITEPP) who are pursuing education-related careers (see ITEPP). AIE courses also comprise optional depths of study in the Liberal Studies Elementary Education major, 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 and information about the American Indian Education professional development certificate.

* Diversity/Common Ground courses.

** Depth-of-study for LSEE majors.

