

# Piikani Studies: Leadership and Governance

## Associate of Arts (AA) Degree Program

### Division of Piikani Language & Culture

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The Piikani Studies program is designed to broaden the student's knowledge of Piikani cultural values, language, history, government relations and contemporary issues. The course work also examines other Native American Indian contributions and contemporary lifestyles. The Piikani Studies program is appropriate for students preparing for careers in education, health care, business, law, museum work or tribal affairs. The Piikani Studies program also prepares students for further study in a Baccalaureate plan of study at a four-year institution.

#### The Learning Outcomes are as follows:

- Demonstrate a level of understanding and knowledge of Piikani culture, language, traditions and technologies.
- Identify, relate and explain changes of social structure of the Piikani on a historical and contemporary level.
- Develop the ability to analyze, think and critique the ever changing information regarding Native Americans on local tribal governance and leadership, national and international arenas.
- Explain and relate how cultural models and methodologies have impacted study of Native American ideologies.(i.e. American and European Colonialism)

Students majoring in Piikani Studies are required to take the General Core Requirements 1 – 6 for an Associate of Arts (AA) Degree program as well as 30 credits from the following major core courses

<b>Core 7 – Leadership &amp; Governance</b>		<b>24 Credits Required</b>
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
PKNI/NASX 129	Piikani History	3
PKNI/NASX 161	Piikani Cultural Geography	3
PKNI/NASX 205	Survey of Piikani Women	3
PKNI/NASX 206	Piikani Societies, Bands and Leaders	3
NASX 220	Tribal Government	3
NASX 221	Indigenous Women Story tellers	3
PKNI/NASX 229	Intro to Anti-colonialism, Anti-racism and Piikani Thought	3
NASX 276	Federal Indian Law and Policy	3
Total Credits for core 7		24
<b>Core 8 – Leadership &amp; Governance</b>		<b>6 Credits Required</b>
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
NASX/LSH 110	Indigenous Humanities	3
PKNI/NASX 118	Herbal Prep	1
NASX/PKNI 140	Foundations of Piikani Language	3
NASX/PKNI 160	The Piikani of the Park	3
NASX/LING 185	Methodologies in teaching Native American Languages	3
NASX/LIT 224	Origin Stories of the Niitsitapi/Piikani I	3
NASX/LIT 225	Origin Stories of the Niitsitapi/Piikani II	3
NASX/PHIL 231	Indigenous Philosophy	3
NASX/PKNI	Native American Literature	
NASX/PKNI 250	Gender, Cosmology and Ritual in Indigenous Society	3
PKNI/NASX 265	Early Indian Health and Medicine practices	3
NASX/LING 270	Introduction to Linguistics	3
NASX/LS 279	Advanced Research: Topics in Humanities/Liberal Arts	3
NASX 290	Special topic	3
NASX 295	Independent Study	1-3
Total credits for core 8		6
Total credits for Leadership and Governance		64