

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE
SYLLABUS

AIS 220 INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN INDIAN ISSUES

Credit Hours: 3 Lec 3

PREREQUISITE: AIS 180

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Introduction to contemporary issues affecting American Indians in the United States.

1. COURSE GOAL

Develop knowledge of the contemporary issues affecting American Indians in the United States.

2. OUTCOMES

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 2.1 summarize the historical influences and adaptations of American Indians
- 2.2 analyze the cause and effect of issues with American Indian nations and tribes such as land and water rights, economic development, gaming, environmental protections, urban communities, and reservations.
- 2.3 compare and contrast past, present, and possible future trends in American Indian cultures including language revitalization and protection of sacred places.
- 2.4 determine which U.S. policies have affected American Indians and evaluate the effect these policies have had on American Indian communities
- 2.5 discuss American Indian strategies of political and cultural survival.

3. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

- 3.1 Lecture
- 3.2 Multi-media presentations
- 3.3 Group discussions

4. LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- 4.1 Group discussions
- 4.2 Oral presentations
- 4.3 Classroom demonstrations

5. EVALUATION

- 5.1 Quizzes/exams
- 5.2 Assignments
- 5.3 Participation

6. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 Under AWC Policy, students are expected to attend every session of class in which they are enrolled.
- 6.2 If a student is unable to attend the course or must drop the course for any reason, it will be the responsibility of the student to withdraw from the course. Students who are not attending as of the 45th day of the course may be withdrawn by the instructor. If the student does not withdraw from the course and fails to complete the requirements of the course, the student will receive a failing grade.
- 6.3 Americans with Disabilities Act Accommodations: Arizona Western College provides academic accommodations to students with disabilities through AccessABILITY Resource Services (ARS). ARS provides reasonable and appropriate accommodations to students who have documented disabilities. It is the responsibility of the student to make the ARS Coordinator aware of the need for accommodations in the classroom prior to the beginning of the semester. Students should follow up with their instructors

once the semester begins. To make an appointment call the ARS front desk at (928) 344-7674 or ARS Coordinator at (928) 344-7629, in the College Community Center (3C) building, next to Advising.

6.4 Academic Integrity: Any student participating in acts of academic dishonesty—including, but not limited to, copying the work of other students, using unauthorized “crib notes”, plagiarism, stealing tests, or forging an instructor’s signature—will be subject to the procedures and consequences outlined in AWC’s Student Code of Conduct.

6.5 Texts and Notebooks: Students are required to obtain the class materials for the course.

6.6 Arizona Western College students are expected to attend every class session in which they are enrolled. To comply with Federal Financial Aid regulations (34 CFR 668.21), Arizona Western College (AWC) has established an Attendance Verification process for "No Show" reporting during the first 10 days of each semester.

Students who have enrolled but have never attended class may be issued a “No Show” (NS) grade by the professor or instructor and receive a final grade of “NS” on their official academic record. An NS grade may result in a student losing their federal financial aid.

For online classes, *student attendance in an online class is defined as the following* (FSA Handbook, 2012, 5-90):

- Submitting an academic assignment
- Taking an exam, an interactive tutorial or computer-assisted instruction
- Attending a study group that is assigned by the school
- Participating in an online discussion about academic matters
- Initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a question about the academic subject studied in the course