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American Indian Studies seeks to develop a strong understanding of the languages, cultures and sovereignty of American Indians/ Alaska Natives that honors our ancestors and their wisdom.

American Indian Studies maintains productive scholarship, teaching, research, community development and provides unique opportunities for students and scholars to explore issues from American Indian perspectives which place the land, its history and the people at its center.

American Indian Studies promotes Indian self-determination, self-governance and strong leadership as defined by Indian nations, tribes, and communities, and which originated from the enduring beliefs and philosophies of our ancestors.

The American Indian Studies Program promotes an enhanced interdisciplinary understanding of sovereign and distinct American Indian/Alaska Native peoples.

We honor native knowledge with integrity, respect and collaboration.

Core Values

Excellence -- To foster intellectual growth and uphold rigorous standards in academic and professional work

Integrity -- To be honest, ethical and accountable for one's actions, while maintaining academic freedom

Respect -- To hold in high esteem the diversity and value of all individuals

Native Knowledge -- To appreciate and enhance Native cultures, traditions, languages and ceremonies

Collaboration -- Faculty and students working in partnership with other university American Indian programs, American Indian/Alaska Native Nations, and communities ✧

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The Maricopa Community Colleges are EEO/AA Institutions.

Hoop of Learning

Born from a need to help Native American students stay in school and pursue a college degree, the Hoop of Learning program has celebrated more than a decade of success and continues to grow.

The Hoop of Learning Program constitutes a campus "learning community" for a group that collectively shares common academic and cultural needs and life experiences. Individual college programs integrate different services of the college to provide a total or holistic approach to student development. This holistic approach is consistent with traditional American Indian worldviews that teach "balance" and "being in harmony" and ensures a more comfortable and familiar environment conducive to teaching and learning. The "Medicine Wheel" symbol is used as the metaphoric tool for this unique approach.

The program brings students onto college campuses to take classes, exposing them to college life, positive experiences with staff, faculty and other students. By helping students achieve an academic foothold early on, students learn for themselves they can continue to achieve their academic and career goals. The Hoop of Learning program has been recognized nationally and locally for helping Native American students succeed.

For more information on the Hoop of Learning program, contact Dr. Bo Colbert at (480) 731.8024 or email: charles.colbert@domail.maricopa.edu. ✧

AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE

Established in 1957, American Indian College is the only fully accredited Christian Institution of higher education with a focus on Native Americans. Just a few miles north of downtown, in the heart of Phoenix, AZ, lies a beautiful campus filled with vibrant students that represent over 30 federally recognized Native American tribes. Coming from all over the United States and Canada, these students represent the future ministers, educators, and business persons of their day. Each one is preparing their minds, hearts, and souls to make a positive influence for their families, friends and communities. To do so, **they chose American Indian College!**

Excellent Education

An experienced and well educated faculty, combined with excellent learning environments, provides for an unbeatable combination. It is also important to realize that AIC offers...

Relevant Degree Offerings: AIC offers degrees that are relevant to the needs of our students, and to the people they will eventually serve, allowing the student an opportunity to be immediately placed in their field of study.

9:1 Student Teacher Ratio: AIC offers more than a classroom education. It is also a place where students will be mentored and trained for service. This is only possible with the low student teacher ratio of 9:1.

Fully Accredited: AIC is accredited with the Higher Learning Commission, a Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, located at 30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, Illinois 60602

Proven Success

AIC offers the perfect platform for student success. AIC's alumni can be found all across North America, serving throughout rural and urban communities in churches, schools, tribal offices, and businesses.

"... not only did I receive the necessary education to succeed in my career as a professional educator, but also received the spiritual guidance and training to succeed in life."

Sandra Gonzales, Navajo - Class of 2003

"More than anywhere else, I realize that AIC provides me with the opportunity to grow stronger as a Christian and succeed as the man that God intends for me to be."

David Alcon, Hispanic, Senior - Class of 2009

Affordability

"Amongst private and public institutions, AIC offers one of the lowest costs for residential and off-campus students alike" says Vince Roubideaux, Executive Director of Student Services. AIC provides extensive support services with financial aid including Federal Pell Grants, Tribal Scholarships, and other funding opportunities.

With a proven track record of success, an exceptional educational platform like no other, and the affordability for all students to have a college opportunity, AIC is clearly the best choice for Christian Native American students today!

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