The American Indian Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire is committed to the study of the cultures, values, history, and contemporary life of the Indigenous nations and peoples of North America. Through courses from selected academic departments and interactions with American Indian professionals, elders, and peers, all students will acquire intercultural knowledge and enhance their intercultural competence. The program administers a major, minor, and certificate in American Indian Studies with these goals:

- To prepare students with intercultural competencies which will support their success as citizens of the world.
- To extend students’ oral and written communication skills through research projects in their course work and with student-faculty research collaborations.
- To envision education and community as a partnership in which all participants work toward greater understanding and respect for the richness and diversity of American Indian cultures.
- To build and support cooperative relationships with tribal communities within and around Wisconsin; other academic institutions, especially tribal colleges; and the local Eau Claire community.
- To teach students to be conversant with Indigenous protocols.
- To prepare students to work effectively in and around tribal and urban communities.
- To provide outreach and community service opportunities that will help promote the cultural, educational, and economic development of the region.

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Majors

Minors
- Minor: American Indian Studies, Liberal Arts (http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/american-indian-studies/american-indian-studies-minor/)

Certificates