

OGLALA LAKOTA COLLEGE

**LAKOTA STUDIES
DEPARTMENT**

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General Information

The Lakota Studies Department offers four degrees and a Lakota Language Certificate. The department also provides the focus for the entire college in maintaining a Lakota perspective. All students are required to take courses offered by the Lakota Studies Department in order to increase their knowledge of Lakota heritage and to prepare themselves for contributing to the continuation of the Lakota Oyate traditions and values. The department provides assistance to other departments, offers community workshops/forums, assists in the maintenance of materials relevant to tribal history and culture, and serves to help maintain the Lakota language.

Courses within the Lakota Studies Department range across disciplines. They are taught according to accepted standards within the disciplines of art, music, language, literature, history, political science, psychology, sociology, science, and religion.

Bachelor of Art – Lakota Studies (120 cr. hrs)

The BA in Lakota Studies offers emphasis areas in Lakota Language, Tribal Law, Lakota Art, or Lakota Culture. This degree is designed to prepare students to serve as researchers or teachers in these specialized areas. It is also appropriate for archivists, park interpreters, and lawyers.

Bachelor of Science – K-12 Lakota Studies Education (130 cr. hrs.)

The BS in Lakota Studies Education is a K-12 teaching degree designed to meet the needs of those individuals and Lakota teachers who wish to teach the Lakota language, culture, history, arts, and literature in the elementary and secondary schools. This is a South Dakota state certified teaching degree, so students must meet state, as well as OLC Education Department requirements. All Education majors must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.8 in order to be eligible for state teacher certification. See also OLC Education Department.

Associate of Art – Lakota Studies (60 cr. hrs.)

The AA in Lakota Studies combines an emphasis on Lakota culture with the necessary enhancement of knowledge to prepare students to serve as transmitters of Lakota language, history and culture for tribal programs and schools.

Associate of Art – Tribal Law (60 cr. hrs.)

The AA in Tribal Law is designed to prepare tribal members to serve as trained tribal court advocates and prosecutors.

Lakota Language Certificate (18 cr. hrs.)

The Lakota language certificate is a South Dakota state certified program that prepares students to teach the Lakota language at various grade levels using effective methods and techniques. The student must apply to the South Dakota Department of Education in order to receive certification. To maintain certification, students must take six (6) credits or two classes within the following five years.

Lakota Studies Philosophy

The Lakota Studies Department will provide a safe learning environment that stimulates students to reach their highest potential through a relevant teaching model that reflects diverse Lakota ideology in language, values, kinship, community, worldview, etc. for a better understanding of Lakota life and culture as an ongoing dynamic process.

Lakota Studies Student Learning Outcomes

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Bachelor of Art – Lakota Studies

Lakota Language Emphasis

Upon completion of the BA – Lakota Studies (Lakota Language Emphasis), graduates will:

- Demonstrate Lakota Public speaking skills
- Develop age and grade level appropriate lesson plans with clearly stated objectives identifying parts of speech used in simple and compound sentence structures

Plan of Study

Bachelor of Art – Lakota Studies (120 cr. hrs.) Lakota Language Emphasis									
Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Engl 103	Engl 113	LHist 203	LArt 203	Lak 323	Engl 303	LPsy 323	Lak 313	Lak 433	Lak 483
Math 103	MIS 113	SoSc Elect	Lit Electiv	Lak 283	LSoc 303	Lak 303	LHist 323	Lak 443	Elective
Lak 103	SpCm 103	Hum Elec	LLit 213	Elective	Elective	Lak 423	Lak 413	Elective	Elective
Elective	Lak 233	Elective	Sci Elect	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.

Tribal Law Emphasis

Upon completion of the BA – Lakota Studies (Tribal Law Emphasis), graduates will:

- Defend tribal jurisdiction of civil actions filed in tribal court
- Prosecute a non-tribal member in a civil case in tribal court and at the appellate court

Plan of Study

Bachelor of Art – Lakota Studies (120 cr. hrs.)									
Tribal Law Emphasis									
Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Engl 103	Engl 113	LHist 203	LArt 203	Lak 323	LPol 223	LPsy 323	LLaw213	LLaw303	Lak 483
Math 103	MIS 113	SoSc Elect	Lit Elect	Lak 283	LSoc 303	LLaw203	LHist323	LLaw323	Elective
Lak 103	SpCm 103	Hum Elect	LLit 213	Elective	Elective	Lak 423	LPol313	Elective	Elective
Elective	Lak 233	Elective	Sci Elect	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.

Lakota Art Emphasis

Upon completion of the BA – Lakota Studies (Lakota Art Emphasis), graduates will:

- Demonstrate knowledge of Plains Indian design and composition
- Demonstrate knowledge of Lakota artifacts and regalia reproduction

Plan of Study

Bachelor of Art – Lakota Studies (120 cr. hrs.)									
Lakota Art Emphasis									
Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Engl 103	Engl 113	LHist 203	LArt 103	Lak 323	LArt 113	LPsy 323	LArt 213	LMus 303	Lak 483
Math 103	MIS 113	SoSc Elect	Lit Elect	Lak 283	LSoc 303	LArt 203	LHist 323	LArt 313	Elective
Lak 103	SpCm 103	Hum Elect	LLit 213	Elective	Elective	Lak 423	LMus 203	Elective	Elective
Elective	Lak 233	Elective	Sci Elect	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.

Lakota Culture Emphasis

Upon completion of the BA – Lakota Studies (Lakota Culture Emphasis), graduates will:

- Demonstrate concepts of mental and physical wellness
- Demonstrate knowledge of Lakota worldview and philosophy

Plan of Study

Bachelor of Art – Lakota Studies (120 cr. hrs.)									
Lakota Culture Emphasis									
Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Engl 103	Engl 113	Sci Elect	LArt 203	LSci 303	Lak 323	LSoc 313	Lak 423	LHist 323	Lak 483
Math 103	MIS 113	LSci 203	LLit 103	Lak 283	LLit 213	Elective	LSoc 303	LPsy 323	LThe 443
Lak 103	SpCm 103	SoSc Elec	Lit Elect	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
LSoc 103	Lak 233	LHist 203	Hum Elect	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
12 cr	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.

Bachelor of Science in K-12 Lakota Studies

Please see OLC Education Department Student Learning Outcomes

Associate of Art – Lakota Studies

Upon completion of the AA – Lakota Studies, graduates will:

- Demonstrate knowledge of Plains Indian design and composition
- Demonstrate knowledge of Lakota worldview and philosophy

Plan of Study

Associate of Art – Lakota Studies (60 cr. hrs.)					
Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Engl 103	Engl 113	LLit 103	LHist 203	LPol 223	
Math 103	Lak 233	SoSc Elective	Sci Elective	Lak 283	
Lak 103	SpCm 103	Hum Elective	Elective	Elective	
LSoc 103	LArt 103	Elective	Elective	Elective	
12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	

Associate of Art – Tribal law

Upon completion of the AA – Tribal Law, graduates will:

- Defend tribal jurisdiction of civil actions filed in tribal court

Plan of Study

Associate of Art – Tribal Law (60 cr. hrs.)					
Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Engl 103	Engl 113	LPol 223	LHist 213	LLaw 313	
Math 103	Lak 233	LLaw 213	Hum Elective	LLaw 323	
Lak 103	SpCm 103	Sci Elective	LLaw 203	SoSc Elective	
LHist 203	Elective	Elective	LPol 313	Lak 283	
12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	12 cr.	

Lakota Language Certificate

Upon completion of the Lakota Language Certificate, graduates will:

- Demonstrate Lakota oral proficiency skills
- Develop age and grade level appropriate lesson plans with clearly stated objectives identifying parts of speech used in simple and compound sentence structures
- Present age and grade level appropriate lesson plan

Plan of Study

Lakota Language Certificate (18 cr. hrs.)			
Year 1		Year 2	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Lak 103	Lak 323	Lak 313	
Lak 233	Lak 423	Lak 433	
6 cr.	6 cr.	6 cr.	

**Students who demonstrate oral proficiency and literacy in the Lakota language may test out of the Lakota language requirements (Lak 103, Lak 233, Lak 323, Lak 423).

LAKOTA PROFICIENCY TEST

Lakota speakers may receive credit by examination for Lakota Language I, II, III, and IV with the Department Chair's permission. Students who choose to take the examination will receive a pass or fail grade. There is a \$15.00 testing fee for each course. These hours CANNOT be counted for Veteran's Benefits or as part of the student's PELL grant eligibility course load.

LAKOTA LANGUAGE CERTIFICATION

Upon completion of the 18 credit hour certificate, students must:

- Get application off of the South Dakota Department of Education website
- Complete application
- Attach official transcripts
- Obtain OLC Lakota Studies Department Chair and OLC Dean of Education signatures
- Mail application with official transcripts and certification fee to the SD Department of Education in Pierre, South Dakota

Once certified, students must take two (2) courses/six (6) credit hours within five years in order to maintain certification. ED 203 Indian Studies for Education and ED 463 Human Relations/Cultural Diversity are recommended.

LAKOTA STUDIES INTERNSHIP

The Lakota Studies Internship is an opportunity for Lakota Studies majors at the AA and BA levels to work with chosen cultural-spiritual leaders, tribal political leaders, educational leaders, or any other individuals approved by the Lakota Studies Department Chair. Students work and learn from various leaders on the Pine Ridge/Cheyenne River reservations and neighboring areas.

Once student has completed the professional requirements for the AA or the BA degree, student must contact the Department Chair for Internship approval.