



**1. Overview**

- A. Provide a brief description of the new certificate.  
The American Indian Nation governance certificate is designed to prepare students to develop a greater understanding of government and governance in Native American communities. The curriculum covers several themes that range from the historical experiences, policies and sovereign status of American Indians to the legal and political relationships between Native American Nations and the U.S., state and local governments. Students will be better prepared to work with or within American Indian nations, federal and state agencies and non-profits regardless of their academic major or place of employment.
- B. This proposed certificate (check one):
  - Is cross disciplinary; or
  - Is certified by a professional or accredited organization/governmental agency; or,
  - Clearly leads to advanced specialization in a field; or,
  - Is granted to a program that does not currently have a major.
- C. Why should this be a certificate rather than a concentration or a minor?  
The proposed certificate is cross disciplinary as it includes both Political Science and American Indian Studies courses.
- D. Affiliation  
If the certificate program is affiliated with a degree program, include a brief statement of how it will complement the program. If it is not affiliated with a degree program, incorporate a statement as to how it will provide an opportunity for a student to gain knowledge or skills not already available at ASU.  
The certificate combines the missions of School of Politics and Global Studies and American Indian Studies which are "to generate and diffuse knowledge that contributes to society's understanding of politics and governance, at local, national, and global levels emphasizing research that links theory with real world issues and action through policy" and "(to develop) leaders grounded in cultural integrity, tribal sovereignty, and indigenous knowledge."
- E. Demand  
Explain the need for the new certificate (e.g., market demand, interdisciplinary considerations).  
The certificate will provide the opportunity for hands-on experience related to students majors, especially related to American Indian Studies and policymaking.
- F. Projected enrollment  
What are enrollment projections for the first three years?

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year</b> (Yr. 1 continuing + new entering)	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Year</b> (Yr. 1 & 2 continuing + new entering)
Number of Students (Headcount)	10	25	50

## 2. Support and Impact

### A. Faculty governance

Provide a supporting letter from the chair of the academic unit verifying that the proposed certificate has received faculty approval through appropriate governance procedures in the unit and that the unit has the resources to support the certificate as presented in the proposal, without impacting core program resources.

Attached

### B. Other related programs

Identify other related ASU programs and outline how the new certificate will complement these existing ASU programs. (If applicable, statements of support from potentially-affected academic unit administrators need to be included with this proposal submission.)

The new certificate complements the limited programs or certificates that include or focus on American Indian governance. Due to the unique nature of Tribal sovereignty and governance and their relationships to federal, state and local political and economic affairs, this certificate program provides specialized knowledge on Tribal governance, policy, and economic development. This knowledge is especially useful for students working with or in American Indian reservation and urban communities. Moreover, because there is a strong partnership between the School of Politics and Global Studies and American Indian Studies, with those students regularly participating in Washington, DC-based internship programs (The ASU-McCain Institute for International Leadership Design Studio and Internship Program and the ASU Capital Scholars Summer Washington, DC Internship Program) coordinated through SPGS, students from both programs will benefit from this certificate partnership.

### C. Letter(s) of support

Provide a supporting letter from each college/school dean from which individual courses are taken. See attached

## 3. Academic Curriculum and Requirements

### A. Knowledge, competencies, and skills

List the knowledge, competencies, and skills (learning outcomes) students should have when they complete this proposed certificate. Examples of program learning outcomes can be found at (<http://www.asu.edu/oue/assessment.html>).

#### Knowledge:

Students with a American Indian Nation Governance Certificate will be able to know and understand the political, economic, and/or social issues at both the local and national levels.

Students with the certificate will understand and be able to analyze historical and contemporary political, economic and social institutions at the tribal, state, and federal levels.

#### Competencies:

Students with the certificate will be able to identify the links between classroom instruction and real world applications of that knowledge.

Students with the certificate will be able to identify areas in which classroom instruction prepares them for work with American Indian nations, federal, and state agencies and non-profit organizations.

#### Skills:

Students with the certificate will be able to demonstrate communication skills in a work environment at the local, tribal, or national levels.

### B. Admissions criteria

List the admissions criteria for the proposed certificate. If they are identical to the admission criteria for the existing major and degree program under which this certificate will be established, please note that here.

Any degree seeking student admitted to study at ASU may complete the certificate.

C. Curricular structure

Provide the curricular structure for this certificate. Be specific in listing required courses and specify the total minimum number of hours required for the certificate.

<b>Required certificate courses</b> (Choose two AIS courses and two POS courses)				
<i>Complete 2 courses:</i>				
Prefix	Number	Title	Is this a new Course?	Credit Hours
AIS	180	Introduction to American Indian Studies	No	3
AIS	380	Contemporary Issues of American Indian Nations	No	3
AIS	470	Tribal Governance	No	3
<i>Complete 2 courses:</i>				
Prefix	Number	Title	Is this a new Course?	Credit Hours
POS POS	110 or 310	Government and Politics or American National Government	No	3
POS	325	Public Policy Development	No	3
POS	346	Problems of Democracy	No	3
POS	368	Ethics and Human Rights	No	3
POS	370	Law and Society	No	3
POS	439	Minority Group Politics in America	No	3
<b>Section sub-total:</b>				12
<b>Elective certificate courses</b> (Choose one of the following courses)				
Prefix	Number	Title	Is this a new Course?	Credit Hours
AIS	280	American Indian Sovereignty and the Courts	No	3
AIS	285	Federal Indian Policy	No	3
AIS	394	Topic: Reservation Economic Development	No	3
AIS	455	Human Rights and Cultural Resource Laws	No	3
AIS/POS	484	Internship	No	3
AIS	498	Pro-Seminar	No	3
<b>Section sub-total:</b>				3

<b>Other certificate requirements</b> E.g. – Capstone experience, internship, clinical requirements, field studies, foreign language skills as applicable	Credit Hours
<i>Section sub-total:</i>	
<b>Total minimum credit hours required for certificate</b>	15

D. Minimum residency requirement  
 How many hours of the certificate must be ASU credit? 9 hours

E. New Courses  
 Provide a brief course description for each new course. N/A

Note: All new required courses should be submitted in Curriculum Changemaker and ready for Provost’s Office approval before this certificate is put on [Curriculum and Academic Programs Committee \(CAPC\)](#) agenda.

**4. Administration and Resources**

A. Administration

How will the proposed certificate be administered (including admissions, student advisement, retention, etc.)?

Administration of the certificate will be handled by the School of Politics and Global Studies and American Indian Studies internship coordinators and academic advising coordinators.

B. Resources

What are the resource implications for the proposed certificate, including any projected budget needs? Will new books, library holdings, equipment, laboratory space and/or personnel be required now or in the future? If multiple units/programs will collaborate in offering this certificate please discuss the resource contribution of each participating program. Letters of support must be included from all academic units that will commit resources to this certificate.

No additional resources are required to implement this certificate.

C. Primary Faculty

List the primary faculty participants regarding this proposed certificate. For interdisciplinary certificates, please include the relevant names of faculty members from across the University.

Name	Title	Area(s) of Specialization as they relate to proposed certificate
Richard Herrera	Associate Director	American Politics, Director of ASU Capital Scholars Washington, DC Internship Program, ASU Coordinator of ASU-McCain Policy Design Studio and Washington, DC Internship Program.
Gina Woodall	Lecturer/Internship Coordinator	American Politics, ASU Coordinator the School of Politics and Global Studies' State and Local Internship Program
John W. Tippeconnic III	Director/Professor	Policy, diversity, leadership, and American Indian education.
Michelle Hale	Assistant Professor	Tribal Governance and leadership, Federal Indian policy, Exonomic development, Navajo government, tribal-state relations

**5. Additional Materials**

A. Complete and attach the Appendix document.

B. Provide one or more model programs of study (if appropriate).

C. Attach other information that will be useful to the review committees and the Office of the Provost.

## APPENDIX

### OPERATIONAL INFORMATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATES

(This information is used to populate the Degree Search/catalog website.

Please consider the student audience in creating your text.)

A. **Proposed Certificate Name:** American Indian Nation Governance Certificate

B. **Description (150 words maximum)**

The American Indian Nation governance certificate is designed to prepare students to develop greater understanding and applicable knowledge of government and governance in Native American communities. The curriculum covers several themes that range from the history, policies and sovereign status of American Indians to the legal relationships between the Native American Nations and the U.S. federal government as well as state governments. Students will be better prepared to work with Indian nations, federal and state agencies, and nonprofits regardless of their academic major or place of employment.

C. **Contact and Support Information**

Building Name, code and room number: ( <a href="#">Search ASU map</a> )	DISCVRY 356
Program office telephone number: ( <i>i.e.</i> 480/965-2100)	480/965-3634
Program Email Address:	AIS@asu.edu
Program Website Address:	<a href="http://americanindian.clas.asu.edu">http://americanindian.clas.asu.edu</a>

D. **Program Requirements:** Provide applicable information regarding the program such as curricular restrictions or requirements, specific course lists, or academic retention requirements.

The requirements include course work in American Indian studies (AIS prefix courses) and political science (POS prefix courses), including an optional applied internship. Students majoring in any subject at the university may be awarded the certificate upon the completion of 15 credit hours (12 of which must be upper division and nine of which must be taken from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences). As noted below, six American Indian studies credits are required, and six political science credits are required. The student must select an additional three credits from the approved list of AIS and POS courses.

AIS core courses:

Choose two of the following:

AIS 180 Introduction to American Indian Studies, C (3)  
AIS 380 Contemporary Issues of American Indian Nations, C (3)  
AIS 470 Tribal Governance (3)

POS core courses:

Choose two of the following:

POS 110 Government and Politics or POS 310 American National Government, SB (3)  
POS 325 Public Policy Development, SB (3)  
POS 346 Problems of Democracy, HU (3)  
POS 368 Ethics and Human Rights (3)  
POS 370 Law and Society, SB (3)  
POS 439 Minority Group Politics in America, SB and C (3)

AIS or POS policy and applied courses:

Choose one of the following:

AIS 280 American Indian Sovereignty and the Courts, H and C (3)  
AIS 285 Federal Indian Policy, H and C (3)  
AIS 394 Topic: Reservation Economic Development (3)  
AIS 455 Human Rights and Cultural Resource Laws (3)  
AIS 484/POS 484 Internship (3)  
AIS 498 Pro-Seminar, L (3)

Students earning the certificate must have a minimum GPA of 2.00; only courses in which students have a grade of "C" (2.00) or better count toward the certificate.

E. **Additional Admission Requirements** Students admitted to study at Arizona State University are eligible to pursue the requirements of a certificate.

In order to be admitted to the university, complete the Office of Admissions online application. Please contact the unit for additional information.

F. **Delivery/Campus Information Delivery:** On-campus only (ground courses)

*Note: Once students elect a campus or On-line option, students will not be able to move back and forth between the on-campus and the ASU Online options. Approval from the Office of the Provost and Philip Regier (Executive Vice Provost and Dean) is required to offer programs through ASU Online.*

G. **Campus/Locations:**

Indicate **all** locations where this program will be offered.

Downtown Phoenix     Polytechnic     Tempe     West    Other:



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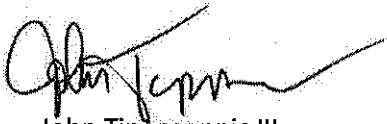
The proposed certificate, "American Indian Nation Governance Certificate" from the School of Politics and Global Studies, has been properly vetted by the appropriate faculty in the School. The SPGS Undergraduate Studies Committee has reviewed and approved the certificate and all School faculty have been notified of the proposed certificate. The School of Politics and Global Studies has the resources required to support the certificate without impacting core program resources.



Cameron Thies  
Director, School of Politics and Global Studies

September 25, 2014

The proposed certificate, "American Indian Nation Governance Certificate" from the School of Politics and Global Studies, has been reviewed and approved by the American Indian Studies as a joint offering. The proposed certificate was approved by the AIS faculty. The American Indian Studies program has the capacity to support the certificate and looks forward to collaborative work with the School of Politics and Global Studies.



John Tippeconnic III  
Director  
American Indian Studies