

# GLOBAL INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE: CERTIFICATE

If you want to understand Indigenous issues in global context, this certificate is for you.

In the 21st century, understanding diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) is crucial for developing globalized competence. This certificate helps students address global responsibilities, responds to the current climate in the US, and expands the offerings to students for more BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color) programming at the university.

This certificate includes courses that represent tribal and indigenous perspectives from Africa, the Americas, and across the globe. At only 16 credits, the Global Indigenous Knowledge (GIK) certificate addresses many DEI concerns that you can apply to a wide range of interests and draw on in many careers, from the environment to business, human services, politics, and more.

The GIK offers a variety of formats, including online, blended, and residency models; themes include Environmental Sustainability, Spirituality, Oral Histories, Social Justice, Art and Culture as well as native-focused issues and solutions.

## Program Details

To meet the needs of multiple communities in national and international contexts, the certificate is adaptable to diverse Indigenous peoples from around the world. Students will take the following courses:

| Code      | Title   | Credits |
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| INDG 2005 | Introduction to Global Indigenous Knowledge & Thought   | 4       |
| INDG 3010 | Contextualizing Indigenous Peoples: A Global Perspective (Or Contemporary Issues, Resilience, and Transformation in Indigenous Knowledge) | 4       |
| INDG 3025 | Writing the Indigenous Knowledge PLA (Or Approved Elective)   | 2       |

And

INDG Capstone in Global Indigenous Knowledge: Applied Learning

## Electives Include

| Code      | Title  | Credits |
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| INDG 2010 | Introduction to Native American Studies                    | 4       |
| HIST 2015 | Native American Histories & Cultures: Introduction         | 4       |
| INDG 3015 | First Peoples of North America                             | 4       |
| INDG 3005 | Anishinaabe Studies: History Culture & the Environment     | 4       |
| INDG 3020 | Living History: Little Bighorn from a Cheyenne Perspective | 4       |
| LITR 3080 | Native American Literature                                 | 4       |
| INDG 4010 | Native American Plants: Decolonizing Indigenous Knowledge  | 4       |
| INDG 4025 | Roots & Routes of African Diaspora Resistance              | 4       |
| INMS 4025 | Topics in Interdisciplinary & Multidisciplinary Studies    | 4       |

## Learning Outcomes

The Global Indigenous Knowledge certificate learning outcomes support the Empire State University mission to serve adult learners and provide them with educational skills to advance, re-tool, and expand their educational, personal, and professional futures through ability to:

- Articulate Global Indigenous Knowledge(s) gained from coursework in order to apply this new knowledge to develop indigenous-focused cultural competencies.
- Demonstrate an understanding of Global Indigenous Knowledge(s), philosophies, and world views.
- Synthesize Global Indigenous Knowledge in order to apply it to Indigenous-related theoretical and methodological foundations affecting the spread of said knowledge.
- Develop cultural awareness for professionals working with communities, organizations, or programs with Indigenous participants.