



Registration Tip Sheet 2022/23

Congratulations! You've been admitted to Native Studies! Now you're ready to choose your courses.

To get the most out of your program, it is best for you to *take the lead on your academic planning*. We encourage all students to take the time to research your program by reviewing your specific program in the [Faculty of Native Studies section of the U of A Calendar](#). It is only through careful exploration that you maximize the opportunities that are available to you. Your personal interests, as well as the specific requirements for your chosen minor, largely direct the course selection for your program.

Please note the University of Alberta hosts a variety of Registration 101 events, intended to help students learn the process for enrolling in courses through Bear Tracks. It is highly recommended that students participate in one of these events in order to learn more about the registration process (RSVP at uab.ca/reg101).

Below is a general overview of program you should be familiar with at the University of Alberta while you are planning your degree:

- The BA in Native Studies degree program will consist of 120 credits spread over four years.
- If you are completing a combined degree program in Education or Environmental & Conservation Sciences, your program will consist of 150 credits over five years.
- To complete your degree in four years, you need to take 30 courses per year (or 5 three-credit courses each fall and winter term). However, you can choose to spread your credits out a bit more by studying in the spring and summer terms or extending the overall length of your studies by a term or year (which is very common).
- Normally, one course in fall (September to December) or winter (January to April) term is weighted as 3 credits.
- 6 credit courses (i.e., NS 152 – *Introductory Cree*) span over two terms (September to April).
- All students enrolled in the Faculty of Native Studies are required to complete ***at least one Native Studies course in each fall and winter term during the first two years*** (i.e., during the first 60). The Faculty will cancel course registration in the add/delete period if there is no registration in a NS course.
- **Junior-level courses** are 100-level courses. Native Studies students can take no more than 48 at the Junior-level. These 48 must include the junior-level courses that are required for your Native Studies major (such as, NS 110 - 3, NS 111 - 3 and NS 152 - 6).
- **Senior-level courses** are anything numbered over 200 is considered a Senior-level course.
- **Pre-requisites** at the high school and university level are required for some courses in which *planning in reverse can be very effective in this process*.
 - Example:
 - NS 390 is required, as part of the program requirements, but in order to take NS 390 you must first take NS 290.
 - MATH 114 has a prerequisite of Math 30-1, Math 31, or equivalent.

Your Program Checklist:

- will list all required courses for your degree program. You should have received your program checklist with your admission letter. If not, please make an appointment with the Academic Advisor
- is specific to your degree program and year in which you are admitted (or readmitted)
- follows your specific degree program listed in the Faculty of Native Studies section in the U of A Calendar

BA(NS) PROGRAM CHECKLIST:

Bachelor of Arts in Native Studies
Program Checklist

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ ID #: _____

Basic Requirements (*30 Total) No one course may meet more than one of the basic requirements. Senior-level courses (2xx and above) in the Minor must also be counted toward meeting the Minor requirements to a maximum of 6 courses. (See back of page for notes and courses.)

Junior English			0.75
Humanities			0.75
Social Sciences			0.75
Fine Arts			0.75
Scientific Inquiry & Applications			0.75
Total			0.750

Native Studies Major (Minimum *36 Maximum *42) Section 10.1 of the Calendar. (If the Calendar lists more than 4% of cross-listed courses may be applied to a NS major but may be used for other requirements above.)

Native Language			0.75
NS 110 & 111			0.75
NS 290 & 390			0.75
NS 2XX/3XX			0.75
NS 4XX			0.75
NS Options			0.750
Total in Major			0.750

Options (Maximum 12 credits in total) and NS minor
Note: Non-NS courses may be used to a maximum of 12 credits in any one area of concentration.

			0.00
Total			0.00

Declared Minor _____ (including so. courses from Basic Requirements)

			0.750
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External Transfer Credit 200 Maximum Required for Graduation **Total 0.750**

For first year students, the Faculty of Native Studies recommends registration in the following courses:

- I. [6 Junior English (ENGL 102, ENGL 103, ENGL 125) OR [3 of Junior English and [3 of Writing Studies (WRS).
**ENGL 125 – Aboriginal Writing is recommended.
- II. [6 NS (NS 110, 111, 240 or 290)
- III. [6 Introductory Cree (NS 152 A & B)
 - a. **Note:** For [6 credit courses students must register in the same section for both Fall & Winter semesters in order to finalize their registration.
Example: if NS 152A LEC C1 is selected for Fall term then NS 152B LEC C1 must also be selected for Winter term.
- IV. [12 chosen from Fine Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, Science to fill Basic Requirements. See your NS program checklist or the U of A Calendar for specific requirements and lists of acceptable courses.

Students wanting registration assistance can make an appointment with the faculty advisor who assists students in choosing classes that are appropriate to the degree requirements and meet the student's interests and needs.

To book an appointment email nsrecru@ualberta.ca or nsadvise@ualberta.ca.



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