SUMMER 2025

Undergraduate Course Descriptions NATIVE AMERICAN AND INDIGENOUS STUDIES

LALS 1102 - Understanding Latin America Instructor: Dr. Nathalia Jaramillo

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GWST 3100 - Gender and the U.S. South

Online Asynchronous

Instructor: Dr. Laura Davis

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FALL 2025

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AMST 3730 - Introduction to Native Studies Instructor: Dr. Miriam Brown Spiers

This course serves as a broad overview of Native American cultures, history, and contemporary issues, with an emphasis on multidisciplinary approaches to the field. Students learn about Native America through a variety of perspectives and topics, including the relationship between Native nations and the U.S. government, questions of tribal identity and belonging, and Indigenous cultural productions, ranging from traditional stories to contemporary texts. Given KSU's location, special attention is paid to southeastern tribes.

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Available Online Asynchronous and Hybrid, Mondays 3:30-4:45PM

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ENGL 3342 - Topics in Native American Literature Instructor: Dr. Miriam Brown Spiers

This course is a study of a selected topic in Native American literature. For example, the course might focus on a single artist (such as Louise Erdrich), a group of artists (such as writers of the Native American Renaissance), a genre (such as Indigenous science fiction), a region (such as writers of the Native South or the Pacific Northwest), or a theme or issue (such as Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women or intergenerational trauma).

Online Asynchronous

Tuesdays 11:00AM-12:15PM