# AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES (AIST)

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<td>Introduction to American Indian/US Native American Studies</td>
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<td>Visual Sovereignty: American Indian Film</td>
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AIST 398  Special Topics  1-3 Units  
**Prerequisite:** Department permission. 
**Typically Offered:** Inquire at department 
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 0 hours supervision.  
**Grade Basis:** Graded 
**Repeatability:** You may take this course more than once 
**Course Attributes:** Upper Division 

AIST 410  Contemporary North American Indian Issues and Identities  3 Units  
**Prerequisite:** AIST 170. 
**Typically Offered:** Fall only 
This course provides an in-depth exploration of current issues in contemporary American Indian communities, and focuses on relevance to local and regional tribes in Northern California. Topics might include ecology; traditional culture and linguistic revitalization; gender and sexuality; social and cultural movements; health and wellness; and education. 3 hours lecture.  
**Grade Basis:** Graded 
**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units 
**Course Attributes:** Upper Division 

AIST 425  American Indian Sovereignty and U.S. Federal Law  3 Units  
**Prerequisite:** AIST 170 or faculty permission. 
**Typically Offered:** Spring only 
This course explores the concept of inherent sovereignty, traces the development of U.S. Federal Indian Law through landmark cases, and analyze the Federal-Tribal relationship today - especially within the state of California. Topics may include settler colonialism, Citizenship/(Dis)Enrollment and Recognition; Land-Allotment, Reorganization, Tribal Property, Land Management, Land Use Rights and SEQA; Gaming; Cultural Sovereignty; and Gender and Sexuality. This course is a combination of lecture, film screenings, discussion, research, writing, and engagement with the community. Students are expected to attend and participate actively in class. 3 hours lecture.  
**Grade Basis:** Graded 
**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units 
**Course Attributes:** Upper Division