**AMERICAN INDIAN & INDIGENOUS STUDIES MINOR**

for the degree of Graduate Minor in American Indian & Indigenous Studies

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**overview of grad college admissions & requirements:** https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply

**overview of program admissions requirements:** https://ais.illinois.edu/academics/graduate-studies-illinois

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**Graduate Degree Programs in American Indian Studies**

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The American Indian and Indigenous Studies graduate minor is grounded by a strong commitment to the worlds, histories, representations, and political struggles of indigenous peoples internationally, and uses interdisciplinary methods of critical inquiry as a means through which students engage research and scholarship in their major.

**Admission**

Applicants to the graduate minor must be in good standing in a masters or doctoral program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Applications must include a statement of purpose that describes how the student’s graduate work and/or research interests intersect with American Indian and Indigenous studies. The intent to pursue the graduate minor must be approved by the student’s major advisor and graduate program director in their home department.

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The student must successfully petition the Graduate College to add the American Indian and Indigenous Studies graduate minor to their academic records and transcripts.

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Elective hours selected from a list of approved courses maintained in the Program office by the AIS advisor, 4 of which must be at the 500 level. 8

**Total Hours** 12

1 For additional details and requirements refer to the department’s program information online (http://www.ais.illinois.edu/programs/grad/minor/) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/).