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Master of Arts Indigenous Governance 2012 - 2013

The Master of Arts in Indigenous Governance is a multidisciplinary program grounded in an understanding of Indigenous peoples' values, principles, and philosophies. The approach we foster is one that combines a supportive environment for students of all backgrounds while modeling and fostering the highest standards of excellence inside and outside of the classroom. We recognize and honor the central role of language as carrier of culture, conveyor of tradition and knowledge, and signifier of individual and community identity by requiring the study of an indigenous language, for example, Ojibwe or Cree. An international focus will prepare students to take leadership positions in the private and public sectors, to create and influence policy, to creatively approach development from an indigenous perspective, and to promote the visibility and recognition of sovereign Indigenous peoples and communities in Canada and abroad.

The program's specific objectives are to:

- Provide studies in matters of good governance grounded in indigenous thought and values.
- Provide an in-depth understanding of the human, environmental and financial issues and processes relevant to indigenous self-determination.
- Promote leadership and skills in areas of policy development and professional practice relevant to indigenous governance and public service organizations working with Indigenous peoples.
- Create a new intellectual space to engage indigenous and non-indigenous scholars in the gathering, application and evolution of indigenous knowledges, philosophies and governance models.

Chair: J. Pelletier, Associate Professor (also Director of Master's in Development Practice)

Associate Professor: G. Nemogá

Assistant Professors: L. Fontaine, S. Shukla, J. Romanow – Graduate Coordinator

Department Assistant: call 204.786.9305

REQUIREMENTS FOR MA INDIGENOUS GOVERNANCE

Annual deadline for applications: 1 February. Applications may be accepted after the deadline; please contact Dr. Jacqueline Romanow, Graduate Coordinator for details: j.romanow@uwinnipeg.ca.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission is open to university graduates holding a relevant, recognized 4-Year General or Honours Bachelor of Arts degree with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better in the last 60 credit hours of coursework.

A relevant degree may include but is not restricted to the following disciplines: Indigenous/Native/First Nation/American Indian Studies, Political Science, Economics, Law, Anthropology, Sociology, Conflict Resolution Studies, Justice Studies, or History.

Students holding a 3-year undergraduate degree may be admitted to the Master's program upon successful completion of a University of Winnipeg designed pre-Master's program which consists of a set of upper-level undergraduate courses.

MA INDIGENOUS GOVERNANCE DEGREE PROGRAM

Course Work and Thesis

Students are required to take a total of 30 credit hours of work including 18 credit hours of required courses and 3 credit hours of elective courses, in addition to writing a 9 credit-hour thesis. The thesis, which is defended orally, is assessed by a committee. A course-based option and an applied/experiential option are available to meet the MA requirements; consult with the Graduate Coordinator for more information.

Required Courses

IS-7021(6) Pathways to Indigenous Wisdom
IS-7022(6) Indigenous Research Methodologies and Ethics
IS-7020(3) Indigenous Self Determination
IS-7103(9) Master's Thesis

AND 6 credit hours of an indigenous language (Ojibwe and Cree are offered at UWinnipeg)

Elective Courses

IS-7023(3) Indigenous Peoples, Globalization and Development (experimental course)
IS-7024(3) Biocultural Diversity Conservation: Issues for Indigenous Peoples (experimental course)
IS-7030(3 or 6) Directed Readings

Students may also select, in consultation with the Graduate Coordinator, upper level or graduate courses offered in other departments or faculties, including the Master's in Development Practice, and Urban and Inner City Studies.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Complete the on-line application form.
<http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/cms-filessystem-action?file=pdfs/grad-studies/grad-studies-app.pdf>
2. Submit two official transcripts of academic work completed to date, sent directly from the issuing institution.
3. Submit two letters of recommendation from individuals familiar with your academic work.
4. Submit the General Bursary Program Application Form with your application directly to the Office of Graduate Studies:
http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/cms-filessystem-action/pdfs/awards/general%20bursary%20application_fw11.pdf

English language requirement (where applicable)

A minimum TOEFL score of 550, or 213 on the computer-based TOEFL test.

The test must be taken within a year of the date a completed application is submitted.

Completed application forms should be submitted to:

Office of the Registrar-Graduate Studies

Telephone: 204.258.2976
Fax: 204.774.4134
Room 3D07B
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Inquiries may also be directed to:
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