

Indigenous Studies Pre-Requisite Requirement

Beginning with the **2024 application cycle** (for 2025 admission), applicants to the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program must have an Indigenous studies prerequisite completed. The approved 3 credit unit course or equivalent course must have a focus on teaching the historical context and effects of colonialism on Indigenous peoples in Canada.

At the time of application, applicants will be expected to have a plan in place for completion of the Indigenous studies pre-requisite. Applicants will be required to enter the course information (institution, course number, course name, start date and completion date) on their application. As the successful completion of an approved course will be a **condition of any offer of admission**, applicants must have successfully completed the approved course by **April 30, 2025**. If the condition is not met, the offer of admission will be revoked.

For a course to be considered towards meeting this requirement, the course must be listed on this document. It is imperative that applicants review the list of approved courses to ensure that they have met the requirement.

If an applicant has already completed or has plans to take a course that is not on the list, they need to immediately email mpas.admissions@usask.ca clearly outlining course details (institution, course number, course description, start date, and a link to the course syllabus or attach a PDF of the course syllabus to your email) prior to the application deadline to ensure approval of the course.

For applicants that have completed their undergraduate degree and are enrolled in a graduate program or are not attending a post-secondary institution, a certificate of successful completion from the Indigenous Canada course offered by the University of Alberta **OR** Building an Awareness of Cultural Humility course offered by the University of Saskatchewan will meet the prerequisite requirement for the 2024 application cycle. **Please note that the above-mentioned courses may have limited start dates and a formal certificate confirming successful completion will be required.**

Below is a list of courses that meet the Indigenous studies requirement. We will continue to update this list as suitable courses are identified.

University of Saskatchewan

- [ANTH 202.3](#) Anthropological Approaches to Aboriginal Research in Canada
- [ANTH 480.3](#) Indigenous Peoples and Mental Health Anthropological and Related Perspectives
- [CHEP 819](#) Colonization and its Impact on Indigenous Peoples' Health and Healing
- [HIST 195.3](#) History Matters Indigenous Perspectives on Canadian History
- [HIST 266.3](#) History Wars Issues in Native Newcomer Relations
- [INDG 107.3](#) Introduction to Canadian Indigenous Studies
- [LING 253.3](#) Indigenous Languages of Canada
- [PLAN 445.3](#) Planning with Indigenous Communities
- [POLS 222.3](#) Indigenous Governance and Politics
- [KIN 306.3](#) Introduction to Indigenous Wellness
- [INDG — 200-Level, 300-Level, 400-Level](#)
- [SOC 341](#) Institutional Racism and Indigenous People

University of Regina

- [KIN 105](#) Indigenous Health & Sport – Historical
- [SOC 214](#) Sociology of Indigenous Peoples in Canada

First Nations University of Canada

- [INDG 100](#) Introduction to Indigenous Studies
- [INDG 262](#) Reconciliation and Indigenous Resurgence in Canada
- [INDG 228](#) Indigenous History Within Canada: Eastern Canada
- [INDG 229](#) Indigenous History Within Canada: Western Canada
- [INHS 100](#) Introduction to Indigenous Health Studies I
- [INHS 101](#) Introduction to Indigenous Health Studies II

Athabasca University

- [INST 203](#) Indigenous Studies
- [INST 369](#) Indigenous Peoples in Canada Since 1830
- [INST 420](#) Indigenous Resistance

Brock University

- [MPHA 516](#) Colonization, Reconciliation and Indigenous Health

Dalhousie University

- [INDG 3052](#) Indigenous Social Health and Environmental Issues

Lakehead University

- [INDI 2301](#) Indigenous Peoples in Canada

MacEwan University

- [ANTH 250](#) Introduction to Canadian Indigenous Peoples

McGill University

- [INDG 202](#) Topics in Indigenous Studies 1 - Indigenous Healing Traditions (2023)

McMaster University

- [INDIGST 1A03](#) Introduction to Indigenous Studies
- [INDIGST 1AA3](#) Introduction to Contemporary Indigenous Studies
- [INDIGST 1B03](#) Reconciling What? Indigenous Relations in Canada

Memorial University

- [ARCH 2482](#) Indigenous Peoples and the Struggle for Self-determination
- [ARCH-HIST 3525](#) Aboriginal History from 1763
- [HIST 2800](#) Indigenous Peoples and Colonization

Queen's University

- [DEVS 220](#) Introduction to Indigenous Studies

Simon Fraser University

- [INDG 101](#) Introduction to Indigenous Studies

University Of Alberta

- [NS 201](#) Indigenous Canada: Looking Forward/Looking Back
- [NURS 222](#) Indigenous Health in Canada

University of British Columbia

- [ANTH 220](#) Contemporary Indigenous Issues in British Columbia
- [ECED 442 93Q](#) Early Childhood Education: Supporting Indigenous Infants & Young Children within the Context of Their Communities
- [EDST 545](#) Indigenous Inquiry and Research
- [SOCI 220](#) Sociology of Indigenous Peoples
- [SPPH 404](#) Indigenous Health: Historical Impacts and Contemporary Approaches

University of Calgary

- [INDG 201](#) Introduction to Indigenous Studies

University of Toronto

- [ANT241H5F](#) Anthropology and Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island in Canada
- [INS200H1F](#) Introduction to Indigenous Truth and Resilience

University of Victoria

- [ANTH 336](#) Contemporary Indigenous Issues in Canada
- [IS 201](#) Introduction to Indigenous Studies
- [SOCI 103](#) Settler Colonialism and Canadian Society

University of Waterloo

- [INDG 201](#) The Indigenous Experience in Canada

York University

- [KINE 4315](#) Aboriginal Physical Activity and Community Health