

# Minnesota State University Moorhead

## ANTH 314: American Indian World Views

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: Goal 07 - Human Diversity

This course examines the cultural knowledge of American Indian groups that they employ to understand the world around them. It examines their belief systems, religious rituals, oral traditions, and cosmologies. MnTC Goal 7.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 05/14/2012 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Understand the history of Plains Indians
2. Understand ethnohistorical methods
3. Understand the unique cultures of Plains Indians
4. Understand the relationship between Plains groups and their relationships with Euroamericans
5. Understand the changing ideas and representations of Plains Indians in American culture

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Identify and understand the various types of American Indian religious systems
2. Describe how social scientists study American Indian religious systems
3. Understand the changing ideas and representations of American Indian religions in American culture

### E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

Goal 07 - Human Diversity

1. Understand the development of and the changing meanings of group identities in the United States' history and culture.
2. Analyze their own attitudes, behaviors, concepts and beliefs regarding diversity, racism, and bigotry.
3. Describe and discuss the experience and contributions (political, social, economic, etc.) of the many groups that shape American society and culture, in particular those groups that have suffered discrimination and exclusion.

### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted