

# INDIGENOUS STUDIES, M.A.

Indigenous Studies

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## Indigenous Studies Program Information

For students who wish to engage in primary research, the Graduate Program in Indigenous Studies provides opportunities that lead to a Master of Arts or Doctor of Philosophy degree.

## Admission Information

### Admission to the Faculty of Graduate Studies

Application and Admission Procedures are found in the Academic Guide (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/application-admission-registration-policies/>).

Admission requirements for Master's students are found in the Master's Degrees General Regulations ([https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/masters-degrees-general-regulations/#Admission\\_FGSMasters](https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/masters-degrees-general-regulations/#Admission_FGSMasters)) section of the Guide.

### Indigenous Studies M.A. Admission Requirements

For students to be admitted directly into the Master's program, they are required to have the equivalent of an advanced/honours degree with a major in Indigenous Studies. Students with majors in other fields may apply if they have 30 credit hours in courses relating to Indigenous studies. Students who do not meet this equivalency will be required to take additional courses to meet the requirement for 30 credit hours of Indigenous Studies courses.

## Application Information

Students should complete and submit their online application with supporting documentation by the date indicated on the Indigenous Studies M.A. program of study (<https://umanitoba.ca/explore/programs-of-study/indigenous-studies-ma/>) page.

## Degree Requirements

The program offers two options:

- Thesis route consisting of 12 credit hours of required and 6 credit hours of additional coursework, and a thesis.
- Major Research Paper (MRP) route, consisting of 12 credit hours of required courses and 9 credit hours of additional coursework, and a major research paper.

**Expected Time to Graduate:** 2 years

## Progression Chart

### THESIS ROUTE

Course	Title	Hours
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
INDG 7230	Methodology and Research Issues in Indigenous Studies	3
INDG 7240	Issues in Colonization	3
INDG 7340	Advanced Seminar in Selected Topics on Indigenous Research	3
INDG 7XXX	Any 3 credit hour Indigenous Studies course	3
CRSE XXXX	Select 6 credit hours at the 4000 level or above. <sup>1</sup>	6
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

<sup>1</sup> These will usually be selected from the list of approved options available from the Advisor including INDG 7220 Selected Topics in Indigenous Studies (3 credit hours). A student may take INDG 7220 more than once in a program of study as long as the content of the course is substantially different in each offering.

### Major Research Paper Route

Course	Title	Hours
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
INDG 7230	Methodology and Research Issues in Indigenous Studies	3
INDG 7240	Issues in Colonization	3
INDG 7340	Advanced Seminar in Selected Topics on Indigenous Research	3
INDG 7XXX	Any 3 credit hour 7000-level Indigenous Studies course	3
CRSE 7XXX	Select 9 credit hours of elective courses <sup>1</sup>	9
INDG 7110	Major Research Paper	0
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>21</b>

<sup>1</sup> Up to 6 credit hours may be taken at the 4000 level. Usually all coursework will be satisfied by Indigenous Studies courses, but students may take up to 9 credit hours from a Department outside of Indigenous studies with approval from the Indigenous Studies Graduate Committee upon recommendation of their Major Research Paper advisor.

## Registration Information

Students should familiarize themselves with the Faculty of Graduate Studies 'GRAD' courses applicable to their program (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/registration-information/>). If you have questions about which GRAD course(s) to register in, please consult your home department/unit.

All students must meet with the Graduate Program Chair to determine their course load. Prior to registering, students must have written approval from the Graduate Program Chair to take selected courses. All course additions and withdrawals (registration revisions) must be approved in the same manner.

## Regulations

Students must meet the requirements as outlined in both Supplementary Regulation and BFAR documents as approved by Senate.

### Supplementary Regulations

Individual units may require specific requirements above and beyond those of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, and students should consult unit supplementary regulations (<https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/supplementary-regulations/>) for these specific regulations.

### Bona Fide Academic Requirements (BFAR)

Bona Fide Academic Requirements (BFAR) (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#BFAR>) represent the core academic requirements a graduate student must acquire in order to gain, and demonstrate acquisition of, essential knowledge and skills.

All students must successfully complete:

- GRAD 7300 prior to applying to any ethics boards which are appropriate to the student's research or within the student's first year, whichever comes first; and
- GRAD 7500 within the first term of registration;

unless these courses have been completed previously, as per Mandatory Academic Integrity Course (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#GRAD7500>) and Mandatory Research Integrity Online Course (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#GRAD7300>).

Students must also meet additional BFAR requirements (<https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/student-experience/core-academic-requirements/#additional-requirements-by-program>) that may be specified for their program.

### General Regulations

All students must:

- maintain a minimum degree grade point average of 3.0 with no grade below C+;
- meet the minimum and not exceed the maximum course requirements, and
- meet the minimum and not exceed the maximum time requirements (in terms of time in program and lapse or expiration of credit of courses).