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Curriculum

The following courses may be applied to the Certificate in Maine Studies:

ANT 422 Folklore of Maine and the Maritime Provinces
ANT 425 Oral History and Folklore: Fieldwork*
ANT 426 Native American Folklore*
ENG 244 Writers of Maine*
ENG 429 Maine Women Writers
ERS 102 Environmental Geology of Maine*
ERS 109 Geology of Maine
ERS 110 Coastal Geology of New England and Canadian Maritimes & Lab (ERS 111)
FAS 101 Introduction to Franco American Studies*
FAS 230 Franco American Women's Experiences*
GEO 210 Geography of Maine
GEO 425 Historical Geography of Maine
HTY 210 Maine History*
HTY 211 Maine & the Sea
INT 491 A Midwife's Tale and the Social Web*
NAS 102 Introduction to Wabanaki Culture, History & Contemporary Issues*
POS 203 American State and Local Government*
POS 362 Maine Government

*Indicates the course fulfills particular general education requirements.

Topics courses may also be applied to the Certificate in Maine Studies. For example:

ANT 490 Topics: Native American Folklore
UST 300 Topics: Maine Law
WST 201 Topics: Maine Women

Division of Lifelong Learning

Program Description

The University of Maine Certificate in Maine Studies (CMS) offers students an opportunity to pursue the study of Maine through courses in anthropology, history, literature, women's studies, Franco American Studies, Native American Studies, political science, geology, and geography. The program recognizes the value of an interdisciplinary approach to understanding historical and contemporary issues involving the state's people, institutions, and environment. The CMS is available on campus and through distance education technologies including ITV, polycom, and online courses.

Career Opportunities

Students planning to find a job in Maine in such fields as business, government, or social services will benefit from an interdisciplinary understanding of Maine. Education majors who expect to teach in Maine's public schools will find the Certificate in Maine Studies invaluable in preparing to teach Maine Studies, usually taught in the 6th through 8th grades. The State of Maine, through LD 291, mandates the teaching of Maine Studies in all schools, both public and private. Students interested in Maine generally will enjoy a greater appreciation for the state's land and people, the history and cultures, the flora and fauna.

Requirements

The Certificate in Maine Studies requires a minimum of 18 credit hours of study in Maine-related courses. Upon completion of the 18 credit hours, the University of Maine will award students the Certificate in Maine Studies. Students' transcripts will indicate the completion of the Certificate in Maine Studies. Full-time and part-time students are eligible to enroll in the Maine Studies program.

Graduate Study

The Maine Studies Program offers an interdisciplinary master degree through the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS). As a response to the complexities of the modern world, interdisciplinarity has become an important pedagogical and research strategy at many colleges and universities. At the University of Maine, this 30-credit hour graduate program offers students the opportunity to design an interdisciplinary study of Maine through classes in literature, history, geology, geography, folklore, Native American studies, Franco-American studies, women's studies and other disciplines.

Please contact the Maine Studies office for more information. To apply for the Maine Studies Interdisciplinary Masters Degree, please contact the University of Maine Graduate School at (207) 581-3222.

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