



Dear Community and Allies,

August 11, 2021

The Urban Native Education Alliance is excited to announce two high school courses for Clear Sky Academy 2021 – 2022 school year: *American Indian Historical and Contemporary Experience* and *American Indian Art and Culture*, both courses are in partnership with Yellow Wood Academy. *AI Historical and Contemporary Experience* and *AI Art and Culture* meet the OSPI and Common Core State Standards for Social Studies and Fine Arts credits, respectively.

Students will have the opportunity to earn 0.5 high school credit for each course, fulfilling Social Studies and/or Fine Arts elective graduation requirements. Students have the option to enroll for either first or second semester or for the entirety of the academic year.

Course Descriptions

American Indian Historical and Contemporary Experience

Students will engage with AI historical and contemporary experience through self-discovery and Indigenous pedagogy, with focuses in resistance, colonization, and decolonization. This course will use a variety of instructional methods to support Indigenous perspectives and cultural values.

American Indian Art and Culture

Students will participate in AI creative, cultural, and artistic expression through several mediums, and within the context of contemporary lifeways. This project-based, experiential learning course will draw on an array of traditional teachings to support students' tribal and cultural experiences.

Approach

Clear Sky Academy acknowledges and builds on students' individual gifts, strengths, and abilities. Students will explore their cultural identity through experiential, collaborative, and community-based learning.

Both courses will be held every Tuesday as a hybrid model. In-person instruction will be at North Seattle College. Virtual instruction will be on Zoom. Space is limited. Seattle-area, Native youth will be prioritized.

Start Date: Tuesday, September 7th, 2021 **In-Person OR Virtually**

AI Historical and Contemporary Experience	4:00pm-6:00pm
AI Art and Culture	6:00pm-8:00pm

North Seattle College

9600 College Way N, Seattle, WA 98103
Room: CC1161

Contact us to enroll today! Registration packet and course syllabi will be provided.

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Thank you,
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Clear Sky Academy Mission Statement

We are a collective of vibrant, culturally diverse scholars engaged in AI knowledge systems AND grounded in cultural values. We seek academic excellence in preparation for life while exploring cultural identity and personal growth within a holistic interconnected worldview.