

**AIS 202 Winter 2020**  
**RESEARCH PROJECT- 150 points**

For this research project you are to select between two general topics on American Indians/Alaska Natives (AI/AN).

1. Representation: How have AI/ANs been portrayed by the majority North American society and how it has impacted contemporary American Indians?
2. Tribal Revitalization: How has a specific AI/AN nation worked to maintain their nation status?

You must trace the historical components of your topic from a specific point in the past and bring it to the present, spanning at least 50 years. Some classes will be dismissed early and it is expected students will use this time to work on their Research Projects.

To complete this project the following four parts are required:

1. **10 points:** Topic & Thesis statement submitted by 5pm Friday, January 17
2. **15 points:** Resources, by 5pm Friday, February 7
  - a. List of resources you have found to date
  - b. Areas you need more information
3. **25 points:** Introduction & Outline by 5pm Friday, February 28
  - a. Topic
  - b. Introduction/Purpose
  - c. Supporting Research found to date
  - d. *Optional W Credit:* Include a rough draft of your paper
    - i. Instructor comments returned by Wednesday, March 11
4. **100 points:** Final project by 5pm Friday, March 13
  - a. Cover page
  - b. Introduction
  - c. Body
  - d. Conclusion
  - e. Index (optional, suggested for visual based topics)
  - f. Bibliography

Submissions will be done through the course canvas site.

The final project must include a well-constructed 3500 to 5000 word research paper that includes parts listed in part 4 above. The paper must be typed with 12 sized Times New Roman (or similar) font, double-spaced, 1" TB / 1" LR margins with your name and "AIS 202 Winter 2020" in the header of ALL pages. A total of 150 points are possible for this project. The final project will be graded as follows: up to **20 points for presentation** (which will include spelling and grammar); and up to **80 points for content** (what you have to say/share).

Suggested (not mandatory) Representation Topics:

- Entertainment: Motion Pictures; Television Series; Music; Performing Arts
- News Media: News Journals; Broadcast; Internet; Documentaries
- Consumer Market: Printed Art; Logos/Mascots; Brand Names; Tourism
- Literature: Fiction; Non-fiction; Children's Books; Scholastic/Text Books

Suggested (not mandatory) Tribal Revitalization Topics:

- Culture: Language; Religion; Traditions; Land; Education
- Government: Form; Stability; Citizenship; Land
- Economic Development: Tribal Enterprise; Natural Resources

Late works will be deducted 10% each day the work is late, unless prior arrangements are made. Incomplete or unacceptable works will be returned without a score, but will have instructions on what is needed to complete the assignment and how the assignment's final score may be affected.