



NATIVE AMERICANS AND THE LAW

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TUES & THURS 1:30 - 3:20 PM

This course introduces students to the field of federal Indian law, focusing on the foundational principles and doctrines that regulate the legal and political relationship between Indian tribes and the United States. The areas covered are: history of laws governing American Indians, indigenous law systems, contemporary tribal laws, effects of U.S. laws and legal institutions on Native government, identity and sovereignty, tribal land ownership and use, treaty rights, taxation, natural resources, child welfare, cultural and spiritual practices, and criminal jurisdiction.

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