

Master's Program Assessment Report

Academic Year: 2016-2017
Department: Native American Studies
Program(s): Master of Arts

1. Students completion of Prospectus defense and defenses/programs completions.

- Three (3) completed Prospectus Defenses (3/3 = 100 % completion).

2. Results of the comprehensive exams and defenses

In the last academic year:

Three (3) students passed their Prospectus Defense on time (100 %).

1 successfully completed their Professional Paper on time (100 %).

3. Summary of ethics training among Masters' students who have finished their degrees.

All masters' students are required to take NASX 505, *Proseminar in Native American Studies* and NASX 541, *Critical Approaches to NAS Methods*. In NASX 505, students are required to complete the Collaborative Institutional Training initiative program, also known as the CITI program. Students who begin Spring semesters must complete CITI training for successful completion of NASX 541, *NAS Methods*. The percentage of NAS master's students completing ethics training is 100 %.

In addition, NAS Master's students complete a unit on Ethics in Indigenous Research in NASX 541.

YEAR	CITI TRAINING	ETHICS IN INDIGENOUS RESEARCH
2016-2017	7	6

4. What Was Learned

The Department opted to require a research proposal (Prospectus) in lieu of a Comprehensive Examination.

5. How We Responded

A new reporting mechanism was developed to schedule Prospectus submissions and Defenses.

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