

Native American Studies – University of New Mexico Suggested Reading List

In preparation for starting your graduate program this Fall, the NAS faculty recommends you read at least one text in each category to gain a critical and foundational understanding of NAS content from which we will base our courses and your learning experiences.

Indigenous Sovereignty

1. Barker, Joanne. 2005. *Sovereignty Matters: Locations of Contestation and Possibility in Indigenous Struggles for Self-Determination*. University of Nebraska Press.
2. Brayboy, B.M.J, Susan C. Faircloth, Tiffany S. Lee, Margaret J. Maaka & Troy A. Richardson, eds. "Sovereignty and Education: An Overview of the Unique Nature of Indigenous Education." *Journal of American Indian Education* 54, no. 1 (Spring 2015). (Entire Issue)
3. Coulthard, Glen S. 2014. *Red Skin, White Masks: Rejecting the Colonial Politics of Recognition*. University of Minnesota Press.
4. Dennison, Jean. 2024. *Vital Relations: How the Osage Nation Moves Indigenous Nationhood into the Future*. University of North Carolina Press.
5. Lee, Lloyd L., ed. 2023. *Nihikéyah: Navajo Homeland*. The University of Arizona Press.
6. TallBear, Kim. 2013. *Native American DNA: Tribal Belonging and the False Promise of Genetic Science*. University of Minnesota Press.
7. Wilkins, David E. and Heidi Kiiwetinepinesiik Stark. 2017. *American Indian Politics and the American Political System 4th edition*. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers.
8. Wilkins, David E., Wendy Greyeyes, Lloyd L. Lee, and Tiffany S. Lee. 2026. *The Navajo Nation Political Experience*. Bloomsbury Publishing Inc.

Indigenous Methodology

9. Brown, Leslie and Susan Strega. 2015. *Research as Resistance: Revisiting Critical, Indigenous, and Anti-Oppressive Approaches 2nd Edition*. Canadian Scholars' Press.
10. Huaman, Elizabeth Sumida and Nathan D. Martin, eds. 2023. *Indigenous Research Design: Transnational Perspectives in Practice*. Canadian Scholars.
11. Mahuika, Nepia. 2019. *Rethinking Oral History and Tradition: An Indigenous Perspective*. Oxford University Press.

12. Kovach, Margaret. 2010. *Indigenous Methodologies: Characteristics, Conversations, and Contexts*. University of Toronto Press.
13. Smith, Linda. 2021. *Decolonizing Methodologies: Research and Indigenous Peoples 3rd Edition*. Zed Books.
14. Wilson, Shawn. 2008. *Research is Ceremony: Indigenous Research Methods*. Fernwood Publishing.
15. Xiiem, Jo-ann Archibald Q'un Q'unm, et. al. 2022. *Decolonizing Research: Indigenous Storywok as Methodology*. Bloomsbury Publishing.

Indigenous History

16. Blackhawk, Ned. 2023. *The Rediscovery of America: Native Peoples and the Unmaking of U.S. History*. Yale University Press.
17. Bruyneel, Kevin. 2021. *Settler Memory: The Disavowal of Indigeneity and the Politics of Race in the United States*. The University of North Carolina Press.
18. Carpio, Myla Vicenti. 2011. *Indigenous Albuquerque*. Texas Tech University Press.
19. Greyeyes, Wendy S. 2022. *A History of Navajo Nation Education: Disentangling our Sovereign Body*. The University of Arizona Press.
20. McKegney, Sam. 2014. *Masculindians: Conversations about Indigenous Manhood*. University of Manitoba Press.
21. Miller, Susan A. and James Riding In, eds. 2011. *Native Historians Write Back: Decolonizing American Indian History*. Texas Tech University Press.
22. O'Brien, Jean M. 2010. *Firsting and Lasting: Writing Indians Out of Existence in New England*. University of Minnesota Press.
23. Simpson, Leanne B. 2011. *Dancing on Our Turtle's Back: Stories of Nishnaabeg Re-creation, Resurgence and a New Emergence*. ARP Books.

Indigenous Paradigm

24. Barker, Joanne. 2011. *Native Acts: Law, Recognition, and Cultural Authenticity*. Duke University Press.
25. Deloria, Jr., Vine and Daniel R. Wildcat. 2001. *Power and Place: Indian Education in America*. Fulcrum Publishing.

26. Lee, Lloyd L., ed. 2014. *Diné Perspectives: Revitalizing and Reclaiming Navajo Thought*. The University of Arizona Press.
27. Lee, Tiffany, Lloyd Lee, and Myla Vicenti Carpio, 'Native American Studies' (27 May 2020), in Susan Faircloth (ed.), *Oxford Bibliographies in Education* (New York, NY, online edn, Oxford Academic, 15 Dec. 2011).
28. Pavlik, Steve and Daniel R. Wildcat, eds. 2006. *Destroying Dogma: Vine Deloria, Jr. and His Influence on American Society*. Fulcrum Publishing.
29. Simpson, Audra and Andrea Smith, eds. 2014. *Theorizing Native Studies*. Duke University Press.
30. Waziyatawin and Michael Yellow Bird. 2012. *For Indigenous Minds Only: A Decolonization Handbook*. School for Advanced Research Press.

Indigenous Community Building

31. Cajete, Gregory A. 2015. *Indigenous Community: Rekindling the Teachings of the Seventh Fire*. Living Justice Press.
32. Harjo, Laura. 2019. *Spiral to the Stars: Mvskoke Tools of Futurity* / Laura Harjo. The University of Arizona Press.
33. Lee, Tiffany S., ed. "Indigenous Women's Perspectives on Twenty-First Century Community Building." *Wicazo Sa Review* 33, no. 2 (Fall 2018). (Entire Issue)
34. Zaferatos, Nicholas C. 2015. *Planning the American Indian Reservation: From Theory to Empowerment*. Syracuse University Press.

Indigenous Education

35. Greyeyes, Wendy S., Lloyd L. Lee, and Glenabah Martinez, eds. 2023. *The Yazzie Case: Building a Public Education System for our Indigenous Future*. University of New Mexico Press.
36. Lee, Tiffany S., and Teresa L. McCarty. "Upholding Indigenous education sovereignty through critical culturally sustaining/revitalizing pedagogy." *Culturally sustaining pedagogies: Teaching and learning for justice in a changing world* (2017): 61-82.
37. Lee, Tiffany S. "Language, identity, and power: Navajo and Pueblo young adults' perspectives and experiences with competing language ideologies." *Journal of Language, Identity, and Education* 8, no. 5 (2009): 307-320.
38. Minthorn, Robin Zape-tah-hol-ah, Christine A. Nelson and Heather J. Shotton, eds. 2022. *Indigenous motherhood in the academy*. Rutgers University Press.

39. Paquin, Leola Tsinnajinnie. "Decolonizing pathways through Indigenous education: Native student conceptions of nation building." *Wicazo Sa Review* 33, no. 2 (2018): 93-120.

Podcasts

40. NAS-Tea: Native American Studies at the University of New Mexico - <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/nas-tea/id1847897288>
41. Red Nation Podcast - <https://www.therednation.org/the-red-nation-podcast/>
42. Indigenous Planetary Health Podcast - <https://indigenousplanetaryhealth.ca/our-podcasts/>