Online Course
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AIS 380: Contemporary Issues of American Indian Nations
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Course Description
This course provides an overview of the current sovereign status of American Indian (AI) Nations beginning with a brief introduction of the legal statutes that recognize the sovereignty of American governments to current issues and challenges faced by AIs, including land and water rights, gaming, justice and criminal jurisdiction, heath, education, political representation, inter-governmental relations, and language and cultural sustainment.

Course Objectives
At the end of this course, you should:
* Understand and articulate the unique legal status of AI Nations in the United States;
* be knowledgeable of the various types and styles of current tribal governments;
* recognize, reflect and critique on the dynamic local, regional and national intergovernmental relations of and their importance to AI Nations;
* develop a greater sensitivity and understanding of the multitude of contemporary challenges that confront AIs;
* develop an exploratory, critically reflective and investigative mind frame for understanding and seeking solutions to contemporary challenges that confront AIs.