

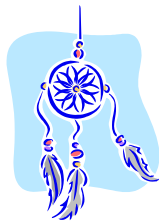
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## North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs

Created in 1971 by the North Carolina General Assembly, the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs has a two-fold mission to increase economic opportunities for Indians in North Carolina and to maximize educational opportunities for Indian citizens of North Carolina. The Commission also offer links to other resources to Indian education and initiatives. <http://www.doa.nc.gov/CIA>

## North Carolina State Advisory Council on Indian Education

The State Advisory Council on Indian Education was established to identify issues and concerns that affect academic achievement of American Indian students. Council members have spent a great deal of time studying the yearly data collected on academic achievement and dropout rates, keeping abreast of education policy issues at the local, state, and national levels, and working closely with tribal leadership in American Indian communities. As an outcome, the Council has devised a report that strives to address relevant concerns pertaining to the education of American Indian students and provide appropriate recommendations to the State Board of Education. Each year, the Council focuses its efforts on dropout data and academic achievement. To download a copy of the annual report, go to <http://www.ncpublicschools.org>.

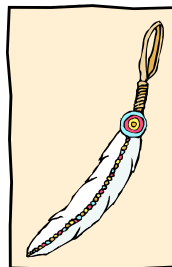


## UNC American Indian Center

The American Indian Center is a campus-wide center that will advance the University's overall mission of research, teaching and public service by creating an environment in which quality research, scholarship, and engagement related to American Indians is strengthened, nurtured and coordinated.

North Carolina is home to one of the largest Native populations in the eastern United States and the center serves as the University's front door to American Indian communities across the state and the nation.

The Center enables Carolina, as the University of the People and the leading public institution in the United States, to truly serve the First People of North Carolina and become the premier public university in the East for American Indian research, scholarship, public service and knowledge dissemination. For more information, go to <http://americanindiancenter.unc.edu/>.



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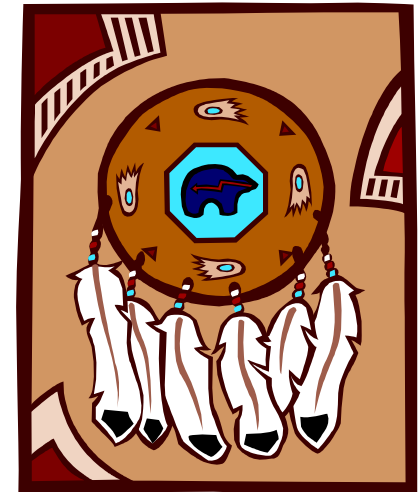
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# American Indian Resources

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# Clearinghouse for American Indian Resources

## American Indian Studies Course- NC Social Studies Elective

American Indian Studies introduces students to the diverse history and culture of American Indians, beginning with life prior to Columbus. Important issues American Indians have faced from prehistoric societies to present-day contemporary society are discussed. Students immerse themselves in America's oldest and continuous civilizations and cultures with a focus on American Indians of North Carolina. <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/socialstudies/scos/2003-04/078americanindian>

## Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Education

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Office of Indian Education Programs is a service organization devoted to providing quality education opportunities for American Indian people. Established in the latter part of the nineteenth century to carry out the federal government's education commitment to Indian tribes, it has become the only national system for American Indian children and adults.

The BIA provides informational resources about classroom teaching activities about American Indians beyond the Thanksgiving holiday. Also included are resources that will get you started if you need to research the history of American Indian Education or best teaching practices ad-

ressing American Indian learners. Resources include books, magazines, articles, bibliographies, maps, etc. <http://www.oiep.bia.edu/bie/resources/teacher.cfm>

## CANKU OTA

*CANKU OTA* is an online newsletter celebrating Native America. Access a wealth of information about American Indian educational resources at [www.turtletrack.org](http://www.turtletrack.org) under "Cool Links".

## Cherokee Language Program, Western Carolina University

Western Carolina University and the Cherokee Preservation Fund have partnered to develop the Cherokee Language Program to foster the survival of Cherokee culture and heritage. <http://www.wcu.edu/298.asp>

## Learn NC

Planning a unit on American Indians and not sure where to start? Learn NC has assembled a guide with lesson plans, articles, and the very best websites available on the internet to help you teach about America's first people. Don't miss the field trip opportunities from Discover NC! <http://www.learnnc.org/lp/pages/2778>

## Museum of the Cherokee Indian- Education Department

The museum's Education Department offers courses for teachers, including: graduate courses on "Cherokee Culture and History", in-service workshops on "Using the Museum in Your Classroom" and special workshops designed for visiting groups. Their goal is to provide accurate information and classroom resources for elementary and secondary teachers. <http://www.cherokeemuseum.org/>

## Museum of the Native American Resource Center

Located on the campus of University of North Carolina at Pembroke, the Museum of the Native American Resource Center has a mission to educate the public about the culture of Native America. The Center serves as a resource for the exchange of information on the education, culture and community activities of Indians. <http://www.uncp.edu/nativemuseum>

## National Indian Education Association

The National Indian Education Association supports traditional Native cultures and values, enables Native learners to become contributing members of their communities, promotes Native control of educational institutions, and improves educational opportunities and resources for American Indians and Alaska Natives throughout the United States. <http://www.niea.org>

## National Museum of the American Indian

Located on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., this museum is dedicated to the preservation, study, and exhibition of the life, language, literature, history and arts of American Indians. For educational resources, visit [www.nmai.si.edu](http://www.nmai.si.edu)

