

GENERAL ARTS & SCIENCE CERTIFICATE - INDIGENOUS SPECIALIZATION (GAIN)

Focus on your culture and heritage while exploring career options.

Blend holistic wellness and Indigenous perspectives, knowledges, and worldviews to develop your academic growth and workplace skills. You'll learn from the land, the Ancestors, yourself, and your fellow students, always supported by experienced and trustworthy faculty and staff.

Courses focus on enhancing math, writing, and learning skills, with opportunities to learn about various Indigenous cultures. Support your emotional, mental, physical and spiritual wellbeing while earning credits that can be transferred into other programs. Gain confidence in your abilities and explore your future options in a supportive environment that is welcoming to Indigenous and non-Indigenous learners.

Program highlights

- Choose to study Ojibway or Cree language courses
- Practice and learn about culture and heritage
- Explore potential career paths while earning transferable credits
- Access to Cambrian College services, including computer labs, internet access, counselling, and free tutoring
- Bridge to college and university programs
- Supported by our Wabnode Centre for Indigenous Services staff and programming

Program of study for 2024-25 Academic Year

Semester 1		Credits
IND 1102 or IND 1101	Anishnaabemowin or Nehiyawemowin	3
IND 1005	Culture, Tradition and Heritage	3
LST 1115	Digital Skills for Success	3
IND 1103	Wellness and the Good Life	3
ENG 1211	Essentials of College English	4
MTH 1126	Essentials of Mathematics	4
One General Education course. ¹		3
Credits		23
Semester 2		Credits
IND 1202 or IND 1201	Anishnaabemowin II or Nehiyawemowin II	3
IND 1006	Culture, Tradition & Heritage II	3
IND 1018	Indigenous Learning Strategies	3
IND 1203	Wellness and the Good Life II	3
ENG 1505	Fundamentals of College Writing	4
MTH 1127	Fundamentals of Mathematics	4
One General Education course. ¹		3
Credits		23
Total Credits		46

¹ For more information regarding General Education courses, click here (<https://cambriancollege.ca/general-electives/>).

Admissions requirements

For graduates of the new curriculum (OSS): Ontario Secondary School Diploma (30 credits) or equivalent or mature student status, including:

- Any grade 12 English - (E) Workplace, (C) College, (U) University

General Educational Development (GED) is applicable. Depending on test scores, Accuplacer English Assessment may be required. Please speak to the program coordinator for more information.

Program delivery

2024-2025

Fall term start

SEMESTER 1: Fall 2024

SEMESTER 2: Winter 2025

Winter term start

SEMESTER 1: Winter 2025

SEMESTER 2: Spring 2025

Employment opportunities

There are a number of benefits to obtaining a General Arts and Science - Indigenous Specialization Certificate at Cambrian College.

- Gain cultural awareness and appreciation, build confidence, and develop success strategies
- Develop and showcase highly sought-after employability skills
- Experience a robust curriculum that is holistic and culturally informed, preparing graduates to navigate contemporary employment opportunities while maintaining and fostering vital cultural connections and traditional wellness practices

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