Career Outlook 2020: Indigenous Studies

Indigenous Studies Programs Available at Bemidji State University:

- **Majors:** Indigenous Studies (B.A.), Indigenous Sustainability Studies (B.S.)** New Major**
- **Minors:** Indigenous Studies, Indigenous Sustainability Studies, Ojibwe
- **Certificates:** Indigenous Studies, Ojibwe Language Instruction

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**EMPLOYMENT AREAS:**

There are many different career opportunities for graduates of Indigenous Studies major, though most jobs are in tribal government or administration, education in Indian communities, law enforcement, and social services.

**PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR INDIGENOUS STUDIES GRADUATES:**

Of the 4 Bemidji State University class of 2017-2018 Indigenous Studies graduates, one reported obtaining related employment and the other three students continued their education. This does not include students who were not seeking employment, unavailable, or had unknown status.

**PARTIAL LIST OF EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE REPORTED HIRING BSU INDIGENOUS STUDIES GRADUATES:** *(This list only includes employment within one year after graduation for the years 2016-2018)*

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**COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHERE BSU INDIGENOUS STUDIES GRADUATES HAVE GONE TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION:**

- Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN

*Degrees alone do not get students jobs. Internships, summer jobs, volunteer work, part-time jobs, work-study positions, and active participation in student organizations on campus are all ways to become more competitive in a tight job market.*

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- Bemidji State University Undergraduate Catalog 2019-2020. Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN (2020)

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