



Navajo Cultural Arts Program

Application Deadline: August 15th, 2017



NAVAJO CULTURAL ARTS CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

Program Mission:

As one of the Navajo Cultural Arts Program (NCAP) projects, the Navajo Cultural Arts Certificate (NCAC) intends to enhance and revitalize traditional Navajo cultural arts practices while providing opportunities for Navajo cultural arts knowledge holders and master artisans to share their unique skills in a multigenerational setting.

Eligibility:

- 1) Enrolled member of the Navajo Nation
- 2) Must be able to take all courses as a cohort
 - 12 Credit Hour Fall Semester
 - 12 Credit Hour Spring Semester

Certificate Requirements:

Students will complete the following 24-credit hour (CH) certificate program requirements:

2017 Fall Semester (12 CH)		2018 Spring Semester (12 CH)	
Core Classes		Core Classes	
NIS 132 Navajo Arts Material and Resources	U (1 st 8-weeks)	NIS 185 Navajo Cultural Business System	U (1 st 8-weeks)
NIS 129 Navajo Cultural Arts Selling Practices	U (2 nd 8-weeks)	NIS 134 Navajo Arts and Philosophy	U (2 nd 8-weeks)
NIS 197 Navajo Cultural Arts Practicum I	M (Flex 6-8:40pm)	NIS 198 Navajo Cultural Arts Practicum II	M (Flex 6-8:40pm)
Cultural Arts Emphasis (Choose One)		Cultural Arts Emphasis (Choose One)	
NIS 103 Navajo Basketry I	S (2 nd 8-weeks)	NIS 203 Navajo Basketry II	S 9-4:30pm
NIS 105 Navajo Weaving I	W 6-8:40pm	NIS 205 Navajo Weaving II	W 6-8:40pm
NIS 107 Navajo Moccasin Making I	S (1 st 8-weeks)	NIS 207 Navajo Moccasin Making II	S 9-4:30pm
NIS 108 Navajo Silversmithing I	M 3-5:40pm	NIS 208 Navajo Silversmithing II	M 3-5:40pm

Program Incentives:

Exhibiting Experience

- Paid travel to local and regional cultural arts museums, festivals and events
- Participation in the planned NCAP Traveling Exhibit
- Opportunity to exhibit artwork in the Diné College Museum

Access to Arts Education

- Priority access to cultural arts demonstrations and workshops
- Access to radiobroadcast interviews from NCAP faculty
- Opportunity to attend Navajo master artisans lectures

For more information:

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2017/18 NCAC COHORT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Required Documents:

1. 2017/18 Navajo Cultural Arts Certificate (NCAC) Cohort Application (2 pages)
-Complete, sign, and submit the 2017/18 NCAC Cohort Application
2. Letter of Intent (250 words)
-Please explain to the selection committee why Navajo cultural arts are important to you and what you intend to do with the knowledge gained through this certificate program?
3. Cultural Arts Self-Assessment (may be in 1-page resume or 250 word narrative format)
-What Navajo cultural arts experience do you have? Have you exhibited at any shows? If yes, where? Has any of your work received formal recognition? If so, what awards have you received?
4. Photos of Previous Work (maximum of 3 images)
-You may include up to three photos of artistic work you have created. While it may be helpful to submit photos of work within the cultural arts emphasis you are applying for, it is not necessary.
5. Letter of Recommendation
-Provide a letter of recommendation from one of the following individuals who is familiar with your desire to learn more about Navajo cultural arts: a Navajo Artist, an Academic Professional, or a Community Member

Submission of Application Packet:

All paperwork must be submitted to the Center for Diné Studies (CDS) by 5:00pm (MST) on August 1st, 2017. Packets will be accepted either in person or via mail, fax, or email. Mailed application packets must be received no later than August 1st, 2017 to be considered.

Physical address: 5th floor Ned Hatathli Center, Diné College, Tsaile, Arizona 86556

Mailing address: P.O. Box C03 Tsaile, Arizona 86556

Fax: (928) 724 - 6838

Email: ncap@dinecollege.edu

Selection of NCAC Cohort:

There is a limited number of spaces per emphasis area. The selection committee will review applications on August 2nd, 2017. Successful applicants will be notified of their acceptance the same day via phone and email. Applicants must notify NCAP of their decision no later than August 4th, 2017. Waitlisted applicants will be contacted by August 11th, 2017.

Admitted Students:

1. Submit Diné College admissions paperwork (admission packet, Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB), and Official Transcripts (high school/previously attended colleges) no later than August 16th, 2017. There will be an exemption of placement testing for English, Math and Reading skills.
2. Register for classes as a cohort prior to or during on-site registration (August 16th-17th 2017). Advisors, financial aid officers, and CDS faculty members will be available to facilitate the registration process.
3. Attend classes commencing August 21st, 2017, including an orientation will be scheduled for the NCAC cohort during the first week of classes.
4. Assume financial responsibility for the completion of this certificate program, including confirmation that scholarships, grants, and personal funding to cover their tuition costs.

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2017/18 NCAC COHORT APPLICATION

Personal Data:

Name: _____
Last First MI

Mailing Address: _____
Street/P.O. Box City State Zip Code

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Gender: Male Female Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Chapter Affiliation: _____

Artist Background:

Which Navajo cultural arts emphasis do you intend to specialize in certificate program? (Choose one)

Moccasin Making Silversmithing Weaving Basketry

Which level best describes your artistic skills/experience with the previously selected emphasis?

Novice Beginner Intermediate Advanced Expert

Which level best describes your current cultural arts knowledge of the previously selected emphasis?

Novice Beginner Intermediate Advanced Expert

Do any of your family members have experience with Navajo cultural arts?

Yes No

If yes, please list which cultural arts: _____

Have you previously taken Navajo cultural arts classes at Diné College?

Yes No

If yes, please list classes: _____

Navajo Cultural Arts Livelihood Background:

What level best describes your Navajo cultural arts business and marketing skills?

Novice Beginner Intermediate Advanced Expert

What level of income from your art contributes to your ability to be a self-sustaining artist?

No Income Quarter Income Half Income Three Quarters Income Full Income

What level best describes your satisfaction of economic livelihood from Navajo cultural arts?

Very Unsatisfied Somewhat Unsatisfied Neutral Somewhat Satisfied Very Satisfied

What level best describes your overall satisfaction of livelihood from Navajo cultural arts?

Very Unsatisfied Somewhat Unsatisfied Neutral Somewhat Satisfied Very Satisfied

Applicant Objectives:

Why do you engage (or want to engage) in the previously selected Navajo cultural art form?
(check all that apply)

- Recreational/personal enjoyment
- Kinship
- Community Development
- Cultural Preservation
- Cultural Identity
- Cultural Revitalization
- Other: _____

Which of these Navajo Cultural Arts Program objectives do you personally support?
(check all that apply)

- Sustain Native artistic and cultural heritage within Native communities.
- Strengthen the Native arts nonprofit infrastructure.
- Support Native artists to gain a higher standard of living and to thrive in an environment that facilitates success.
- Increase access to Native traditions in K-12 education.

How did you hear about the Navajo Cultural Arts Program?

- Radio Advertisement
- Flyer Advertisement
- Billboard Advertisement
- Newspaper Advertisement
- Diné College Website
- Navajo Cultural Arts Program Website
- Social Media
- Other: _____

Required Documents:

Please check off all items included in your NCAC application packet:

- _____ 1. 2017/18 NCAC Cohort Application
- _____ 2. Letter of Intent (Minimum of 250 words)
- _____ 3. Cultural Arts Self-Assessment (1-page Resume or Narrative format)
- _____ 4. Photo of Applicants Work (Maximum of 3 Images)
- _____ 5. Letter of Recommendation from one of the following:
 - Navajo Artist
 - Academic Professional
 - Community Member

Signature:

I certify that all information given in this application is **complete** and **accurate**. If admitted to the Navajo Cultural Arts Certificate Program, I agree to abide by the established rules and regulations of Diné College, the Center for Diné Studies, and the Navajo Cultural Arts Program.

Applicant Signature

Date

For NCAP use only:

Date application was received: ____/____/____
Date applicant was contacted: ____/____/____
Date applicant registered for classes: ____/____/____

Application: ____ Accepted ____ Waitlisted ____ Denied
Applicant: ____ Accepted ____ Denied