Ojibwe language is one of the indigenous languages of Minnesota, and the Ojibwe Language Program at the U of M seeks to preserve, document, and revitalize this beautiful language. In our program, you will have a unique opportunity to gain knowledge of the language with a focus on oral proficiency while also gaining a sense of empowerment to teach the language to others. While studying the Ojibwe language, you’ll experience both academically rigorous grammatical instruction and immersion techniques outside of the classroom.

The College of Liberal Arts Advantage: More Than a Major
When you study Ojibwe Language at the University of Minnesota, you gain the added advantage of a College of Liberal Arts education. At CLA, the liberal arts mean you get more than just a degree in one major or another; it means you will be exposed to different areas of study, to different ways of thinking and learning. In fact, the liberal arts teach you how to learn—how to ask the right questions, how to problem solve, and how to innovate. The liberal arts prepare students for the complexities of our world, because here at CLA you will study not just, say, politics or art but also where politics and art intersect, where science and ethics intersect, where economics and the environment intersect.

Meet Our Students

Student Experiences
Internships: Gain Valuable Experience in the Twin Cities and Beyond

Did you know? CLA Career Services has its very own internship reflection course! Students taking an internship can use this course to reflect on ways that their work experience is preparing them for successful careers - and receive credit for the work.

Learning Abroad: Prepare to Lead in a Global Economy

Learn more about study abroad for Ojibwe majors.

Undergraduate Research: Turn Curiosity into New Knowledge

The Department of American Indian Studies strives to engage with tribal communities, reservations, and programs on research projects, internships, and collaborative projects that benefit American Indian people.

Student Organizations: Find Friends and Grow as a Leader

- American Indian Cultural Center
- Canoe Rising

Meet Our Alumni

CLA Graduates: Successful Careers and Purposeful Lives

CLA graduates succeed in many different careers — law, health care, medicine, business, government, teaching, advertising, arts and entertainment, international relations, and more — precisely because they understand how to navigate a complex and interconnected world. As our alumni explain below, “Being a good employee means being curious, and continuing to evolve, and learn, and educate yourself, and I can think of no stronger foundation for doing that than a liberal arts education.”

“An education in the liberal arts is a springboard to lifelong career success”
-- Dean John Coleman
You might also explore

Native American Environmental Knowledge Minor
American Indian Studies

Admission Information

FRESHMAN: Admission information

TRANSFER STUDENTS: Requirements for the College of Liberal Arts

Beyond admission, if you have questions about transferring, the College of Liberal Arts (CLA) has transfer advisors to help. Please feel free to contact them about any of the topics below:

- Course plans before transferring
- Estimated time to graduation
- Career preparation in CLA
- Getting ready for orientation, if admitted
- Connecting with major/minor departments