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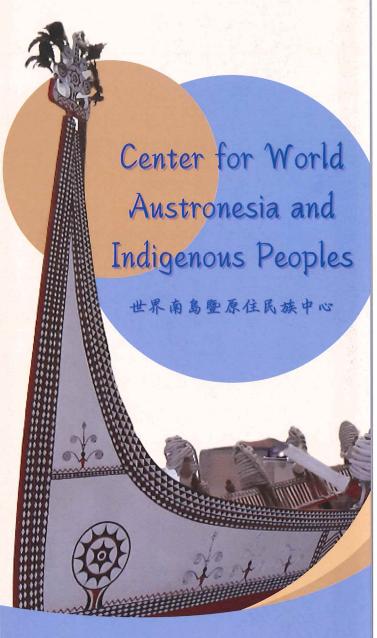
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CWAIP History

The Center for World Austronesia and Indigenous Peoples (CWAIP) was established at the end of 2016. It aims to consolidate the teaching and research resources on campus and to create an environment for interdisciplinary studies on Austronesian-speaking groups and indigenous peoples worldwide with comparative perspectives.

An interdisciplinary certificate program was created in 2018 dedicated to this purpose. It is the first of its kind nationwide with both undergraduate and graduate components. The CWAIP strives to promote the study of Indigenous peoples in Taiwan within the greater context of the Austronesian and Fourth worlds.

A newly created English-taught program on Austronesian and Indigenous Studies is the first step toward that goal.



- International Conference on Hierarchy and Egalitarianism in Austronesia/Oceania
- Indigenous Traditional Wisdom Protection
- Language Revival and Writing System
- International Conference on Indigenous Courts and Indigenous Rights in Taiwan and Globally

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- Medical Theory and Practices in Indigenous Areas
- CWAIP Research Symposium
- Austronesian Teaching Workshop
- Indigenous Literature and Education
- Austronesian Literature and Art
- Indigenous Archaeology Workshop
- Multispecies Research Workshop
- Public Anthropology Workshop

Courses

Archaeology

Taiwan Archaeology

Anthropology

- Austronesian Taiwan
- Southeast Asia Societies and Cultures
- Ethnographies of Oceania
- Advance Cultural Anthropology
- Indigenous Peoples and the State
- Nature, Culture, and Power from Colonialism to 21st Century Capitalism
- Anthropology and the Intimate: Studies in Emotion and Action
- Contemporary Anthropological Theory

Linguistics

- Austronesian Linguistics
- Endangered Languages and Language Documentation

Education

• Multicultural Education and Curriculum Studies

Austronesian and Indigenous Studies

Taiwan's importance in Austronesian studies arises from not only the great diversity of its indigenous peoples and cultures, but also its archaeological information crucial to the understanding of prehistorical migration patterns and cultural changes in the Pacific regions. This new master's program seeks to promote and enhance the study of indigenous peoples in Taiwan within the greater context of Austronesia across Southeast Asia and Oceania with coursework and research reflecting this broad socio-linguistic area of study.

This program intends to consolidate Austronesian and Indigenous studies as one of the foci of area studies in the Institute of Anthropology; the program is the first of its kind in the region and it will offer students a broad understanding of Austronesian Studies in general and deeper knowledge of Taiwan's indigenous peoples and cultures in particular. Students will be able to acquire the ability to conduct independent research and fieldwork which are essential for personal learning and professional development.

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