



Montana University System

# AIMA

## American Indian and Minority Achievement & K-12 Partnerships

### AIMA

The Director serves as a liaison to Montana's seven Tribal Colleges and represents the MUS in K-12 partnership initiatives with high schools, including on or near reservation schools and the state Office of Public Instruction.

### AIMA Council

Appointed by the MUS Commissioner of Higher Education the Council serves to examine the needs of Montana's American Indian students and to identify best practices to meet those needs and mitigate barriers to educational attainment.

### Montana Tribal Colleges

- Aaniiih Nakoda College
- Blackfeet Community College
- Chief Dull Knife College
- Fort Peck Community College
- Little Big Horn College
- Salish Kootenai College
- Stone Child College

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### We exist to:

- Provide all Montanans with affordable access to excellent educational opportunity. Provide for a seamless transition from K-12 to college and ensure retention.
- Increase academic engagement and achievement for minorities throughout the MUS and the state.
- Ensure our campuses are places that are welcoming and primed for student success and at the same time make sure we are reaching current and future first generation college students.

### 2017 AIMA Council Recommendations

<https://www.mus.edu/AIMA/AIMA-Council-Recommendations-to-BOR-Nov2017.pdf>

### 2019 AIMA Council Campus Level Action Plans

<https://www.mus.edu/AIMA/2018-AIMA-Action-Plans.pdf>

### Goals:

- 1) **Grow the capacity of MUS administrators, faculty and staff to provide culturally responsive instruction, counsel, outreach and student support.**
- 2) **Increase Student Access**
- 3) **Increase Student Retention**
- 4) **Increase Student Completion**
- 5) **Improve Tribal College to MUS relations**
- 6) **Grow availability of data**

University of Montana-Montana State University-Montana Tech-University of Montana Western-Montana State University  
Billings-Northern Montana College MSU- Gallatin College MSU- Missoula College UM-Helena College UM- City College at MSU  
Billings-Great Falls College MSU-Highlands College of MT Tech-Bitterroot College  
Dawson Community College-Flathead Valley Community College-Miles City Community College

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