## AMERICAN INDIAN LAW CERTIFICATE

The Certificate Program is designed for law students who wish to acquire an in-depth knowledge of American Indian law and who are willing to commit the time and effort necessary to achieve a level of specialization in their legal education. The Certificate Program provides students the opportunity to graduate from law school with a credential recognizing their concentration and accomplishment in this field.

## **Certificate - American Indian Law Requirements**

- Because we believe specialization in law school should not come at the expense of a well-rounded legal education, we require students in the Certificate Program to complete 95 hours compared to 90 credit hours for students outside the Certificate Program. In most cases, this additional credit load can be completed within the normal three academic years of law school.
- Students completing the Certificate Program must earn a total of 95 credits.
- Successfully complete the advanced writing requirement in an area addressing an environmental or natural resources topic. To assure that a Third-Year Writing Assignment satisfies this requirement, the student must receive approval of the proposal by the Associate Dean's designate. The Associate Dean's designate is to review the writing topic and the final writing of every certificate program student.
- See the Law School website (http://www.umt.edu/law/) for specific course requirements and additional information about this certificate.