The first course of the Interreligious Understanding Program at PTS, “Contemporary Native American Traditions” will be taught by Dr. Richard A. Grounds, a Yuchi/Seminole leader and scholar who received his PhD in History of Religions from Princeton Theological Seminary.

The course may be described as an exploration into the resilient ancient worldviews of Native American cultures as expressed in contemporary Native American traditions through patterns of continuity and change. The survey will begin by examining language and land as foundational sources for Native American religious practice. It will then consider representative religious expressions and practices, whether bounded by specific tribal contexts or pan-Indian, such as the peyote sacrament in the Native American Church. The survey will conclude with reflections on the new affirmation of Native Christianity in charismatic circles and on the facile appropriation of Native spirituality.
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Classes will be held on the scheduled Thursday evening from 6:15—9:00 p.m.

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