

## CREE 2210 Fall 2020 Course Offering



## Structure of the Plains Cree Language

**Tues/Thurs 10:30-11:45AM** 

Fine Arts/Humanities LER

Plains Cree, a member of the Algonquian (Algic) language family, is spoken across large parts of present-day Alberta and Saskatchewan. Plains Cree is a polysynthetic language which can make the structure of words, especially verbs, appear quite complicated to the learner.

In this course, students will develop analytical skills through which grammatical complexity can be approached in a systematic manner.

The course will be especially useful to learners and teachers of Plains Cree by revealing the inherent logic and systematicity in its grammatical structure.

Students interested in linguistics will find in Plains Cree the opportunity to study a well-described polysynthetic language and gain familiarity with the technical literature in this field.

The textbook for this course is Meet Cree: A Guide to the Cree Language, by H. Christoph Wolfart and Janet Carroll. The textbook is freely available in digital format.

