

History / Wabanaki Cultural Systems and History

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LD 291 Concentrated Area of Study: Cultural Systems & History

Concept	Broad Understanding	Guiding Questions	Notes & Relevant Information
Injustice	Unequal political, religious, social, and economic relationships between groups and cultures can lead to injustice, stereotyping, discrimination, and racism.	What are the relationships / factors that have led to injustices being perpetrated on the Wabanaki by Euro-Americans?	This must be a Wabanaki-centric view of Maine history. There are both historical aspects (perception of Natives as "savages" or "uncivilized peoples, dominant European military and political systems; relocation on reservations inadequate in area to sustain this culture; push to assimilate/acculturate) and contemporary topics (population depletion, low level of economic development in reservation counties; state and federal regulatory oversight designed for a Euro-American system).

Injustice (*continued*)

		<p>How have issues of injustice played out in contemporary Wabanaki culture and society?</p>	<p>There are many examples of injustice: historical examples include treaties, negotiations, colonization, missionization, written history (including textbooks); contemporary examples include non-voting legislative representation, EPA decisions concerning Penobscot River pollution, NIMBY (No Indians in My Back Yard) with LNG.</p>
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