

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2023-1062

TITLE: THE INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ACT – 100 CODES

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CHAPTER 106 - THE INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ACT

106.1 - The University of Florida Student Government, in accordance with supporting an inclusive and supportive environment for those Indigenous students at the University of Florida, ratifies the following Indigenous Land Acknowledgement statement:

- a. **“We, The University of Florida Student Government, recognize that our campus is located on the ancestral and traditional territory of the Seminole Tribe of Florida and Timucua Tribe. We recognize that the historic displacement and violence against Indigenous people has led to severe plights for Indigenous individuals throughout our American history. Despite these circumstances, the Indigenous communities across this nation have continued to stay connected and nurturing of this territory and their cultural ways of life. We pay our respects to these Indigenous elders and descendants of the past and present, especially those who have called the University of Florida home within their lifetime. We shall commit ourselves to supporting Indigenous sovereignty and culture within and beyond the University of Florida.”**

106.2 This official Indigenous Land Acknowledgement must be delivered verbally to the public at the following SG Events:

1. **State of the Campus Address**
2. **Student Government Executive Ticket Debate**
3. **Student Government Election Results Announcements**
4. **ACCENT Speakers Bureau Speaker Events**