

ANCIENT PEOPLES AND PLACES
Archaeology 205-L01
Fall 2009

Location: EDC 179
Pre-Requisite: none
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INTRODUCTION:

This course surveys world prehistory from the first emergence of humans to the development of ancient states and empires. We begin by looking at the techniques and methods modern archaeology uses to reconstruct the past. We then move chronologically through human prehistory, focusing on the evolution of modern humans, the development of agriculture, and the emergence of social complexity. Topics covered in the course include the Palaeolithic, Neanderthals, the peopling of the New World and Australia, the development of settled life, the Anasazi, the Maya, Ancient Egypt, and the Inca Empire.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

By the end of the course, students should have the necessary skills and knowledge to:

- ❖ Describe how archaeologists are able to reconstruct the past from material remains.
- ❖ Outline key developments in the evolution of human societies.
- ❖ Define the locations, chronologies and key characteristics of key archaeological cultures.
- ❖ Critically assess the information they encounter about archaeology and prehistory from the popular media.

COURSE TEXTS (Required):

Chazan, Michael (2008) *World Prehistory and Archaeology: Pathways through Time*. (Canadian Edition) Pearson Education, Toronto.

DELIVERABLES

Component	Weighting	Date
Quiz #1	30%	Oct. 5
Quiz #2	30%	Oct. 30
Quiz #3	30%	Nov.20
Quiz #4	10%	Dec. 7

Grading (Weighting): There will be three in-term quizzes worth 30% and one quiz on the last day of classes worth 10%. Scores will **not** be curved.

There will not be a final exam scheduled by the Registrar's Office.
It is not essential to pass all elements/components to pass the course as a whole.

Percentage to Letter Grade Conversion

Grade	Percent
A+	95+
A	87-94%
A-	83-86%
B+	78-82%
B	74-77%
B-	70-73%
C+	67-69%
C	63-66%
C-	60-62%
D+	57-59%
D	50-56%
F	0-49%

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE & ASSOCIATED READINGS

(**SUBJECT TO CHANGE**)

Sept 9 & 11	Overview of Archaeology	Intro to Part I and Chapter 1
Sept. 14, 16 & 18	Archaeological Interpretation	Chapter 2
Sept. 21, 23, & 25	Early Hominins	Chapter 3
Sept. 28 & 30, Oct 2	Homo erectus to Neanderthals	Chapter 4

Oct. 5th	Quiz #1	
Oct. 7 & 9	Origin of Modern Humans	Chapter 5
Oct. 14, 16 & 19	Australia and the New World	Chapter 6
Oct. 21 & 23	Towers Villages and Long Houses	Chapter 7
Oct. 26 & 28	Mounds and Maize	Chapter 8
Oct. 30	Quiz # 2	
Nov. 2 & 4	Feast of Diversity	Chapter 9
Nov. 6 & 9	Complexity w/o States	Chapter 10
Nov. 16 & 18	Urban States	Chapter 11
Nov. 20	Quiz 3	
Nov. 23, 25 & 27	Enigmatic States	Chapter 12
Nov. 30, Dec. 2 & 4	Empires	Chapter 13
Dec. 7	Quiz #4	

Assembly Point for EDC is Scurfield Hall Atrium.

Plagiarism

Academic dishonesty is not an acceptable activity at the University of Calgary and students are **strongly advised** to read the Student Misconduct section in the University Calendar. Quite often, students are unaware of what constitutes academic dishonesty or plagiarism. The most common are 1) presenting another student's work as your own 2) presenting an author's work or ideas as your own without proper referencing and 3) using work completed for another course. This activity will not be tolerated in this course and students conducting themselves in this manner will be dealt with according to the procedures outlined in the calendar.

Disability Resource Centre Accommodations

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not

eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

Re: Posting of Grades and Picking-up of Assignments

- All assignments will be handled on Blackboard or handed out in class.
- Their own grades will be available to each student on Blackboard by password access. Grades will **not** be available at Archaeology's main office.

Contact Information for Student and Faculty Representation

- SU VP Academic Phone: 220-3911 and e-mail: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca
- SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 and e-mail: socialscirep@su.ucalgary.ca

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