Introduction to Archaeology

Archaeology 201

Section: D100

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Discussion Topics: This course is an introduction to archaeological method and theory. It consists of a survey of principles, concepts, techniques and interpretive approaches used by archaeologists to study human cultures of the past. Examples will be drawn from archaeological research from throughout the world, illustrated by slides and films.

Lectures are presented in PowerPoint and notes are available for downloading at http://canvas.sfu.ca

Grading: 3 written assignments 50% or 75%* Midterm exam 25% Final exam 25% or 0%*

* Students have the option of 3 written assignments and no final exam, or 2 written assignments and a final exam.

Required Texts: Colin Renfrew and Paul Bahn. 2010. Archaeology Essentials: Theories, Method and Practice 2nd edition. WW Norton.

Recommended Texts: Jeremy A. Sabloff. 2008. Archaeology Matters: Action Archaeology in the Modern World. Left Coast Press.

Materials/Supplies:

Prerequisite/Corequisite: None

Notes:

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Breadth Social Sciences

This is a lecture course

with no tutorial. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with the instructor and/or teaching assistant if they are having difficulty with course materials.

Students

requiring accommodations as a result of a disability must contact the Centre for Students with Disabilities 778.782.3112 or csdo@sfu.ca

All students

are expected to read and understand SFUs policies with regard to academic honesty and student conduct (S10). These policies are available at the following web address: http://www.sfu.ca/policies/Students/index.html

Deferred

grades will be given only on the basis of authenticated medical disability.

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