

Archaeology of Britain

Archaeology 321

Section: E100

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Discussion Topics: This course explores the lifeways of Aboriginal Australians as reflected in both archaeological and ethnographic contexts, covering a span of 60,000 years or more. Major topics include: description of culture areas; regional pre-contact culture histories; cultural diversity; human ecology and environmental settings; processes of change; technology; food production systems; hunter-gatherers as resource managers; economic, social and political organization; gender roles; kinship; magic and ritual; the Dreamtime and worldview; the impacts of colonialism; critical perspectives on the use of ethnographic data; and contemporary relations between Aboriginal peoples and archaeologists.

Grading: Mid-semester exam: 30%

Final exam: 35%

Term project: 25%

Quizzes/exercises: 10%

Required Texts: Archaeology of the Dreamtime, revised edition. Josephine Flood. 2010. JB Books.

Where the Ancestors Walked: Australia as an Aboriginal Landscape. Philip Clarke. 2003. Allen and Unwin.

Recommended Texts:

Materials/Supplies:

Prerequisite/Corequisite: ARCH 272 or 273

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