

## Material Culture Analysis

Archaeology 372

Section: D100

Term: 2001 Fall

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Day course

Burnaby campus

Class time: Lecture: Monday 14:30 - 16:20

Lab: Wednesday 11:30 - 14:20 or 14:30 -

17:20

Discussion Topics: This course will provide students with an introduction to the identification, analysis and interpretation of major types of cultural materials commonly recovered from archaeological sites. Emphasis will be placed on developing practical skills and knowledge related to conducting analyses and reporting results of archaeological investigations. The course will provide an overview of a broad range of cultural materials including: stone tools, ceramics, shell and bone artifacts, textiles, historical artifacts and culturally modified trees. In addition, students will be introduced to basic method and theory with respect to: classification and typology, measurement, data management and descriptive statistics.

The course has a significant laboratory component during which students will obtain "hands-on" experience with artifacts and other archaeological materials. Weekly assignments will be used to evaluate laboratory skills and comprise a major component of the course grade.

Grading: Lab assignments	40%
Laboratory exam	15%
Term paper	25%
Final exam	20%

Required Texts: Sutton, Mark Q. and Brooke S. Arkush Archaeological Laboratory Methods: An Introduction. 1996 Second edition. ISBN 0 7872 4718 9 Paperback. Kendall/Hunt Publishing, Dubuque, Iowa.

Recommended Texts: none

Materials/Supplies: none

Prerequisite/Corequisite: ARCH 201-3

Notes: Labs will be held during the first week of classes.

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

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