ST-Archaeological Conservation

Archaeology 335

Section: D100

Term: 2000 Fall

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Discussion Topics: Course description:

This course is a basic introduction to the principles of archaeological conservation, the processes affecting the condition of archaeological collections prior to excavation, during excavation, during analysis, exhibition and storage. Successful completion of this introduction to archaeological conservation will not qualify students to be professional archaeological conservators.

Section 1 Introduction to Conservation

Section 2 Conservation of Organic Artifacts

Section 3 Conservation of Inorganic Artifacts

Section 4 Open Air Conservation

Projects:

Each student will complete a project on an aspect of archaeological conservation. The projects will emphasize preventive conservation rather than explore advanced or remedial bench treatments. While these projects will not have a major laboratory emphasis, they require careful, meticulous work habits. These projects involve handling and treatment of fragile archaeological materials. Students should have good hand-eye co-ordination. The projects will include 2 presentations of the project to the class. Students are expected to use computerized presentation software.

Grading: Quizzes 4 @ 10% each = 40%
Projects = Presentations 2 @ 10% each = 20%, Report = 10%, Project work = 30%
(Total for project = 60%)
No final exam

Required Texts: None. Weekly readings will be assigned from materials on reserve in the W. A. C. Bennett Library, the Museum readings and the Internet. Students must have access to the Worldwide Web and email on a weekly basis for readings, assignments and quizzes

Recommended Texts: none

Materials/Supplies: none

Prerequisite/Corequisite: 15 hours of Arch credit, including Arch 201-3

Notes: Deferred grades will be given ONLY on the basis of authenticated medical disability.

Labs will be held the first week of classes.

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