Extended details of the newly-approved ARCHAEOLOGY MINOR

Minor in Interdisciplinary Archaeology  Effective Spring, 2013  Total requirements: 5 courses (20 units)

The minor in archaeology is available to students in all schools and departments. Archaeologists interpret material culture and action in our shared human past using a range of tools and approaches. Archaeology deepens our understanding of peoples and societies across space and time, in all parts of the world, while expanding our knowledge of issues relevant in contemporary society.

Archaeology minors strengthen their skills in critical thinking, assessing evidence, and formulating clear and persuasive arguments, both oral and written. Students from a wide range of disciplines will gain perspective on their own intellectual and professional interests through the study of the past.

LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS  Choose one course from:

AHIS 120g Foundations of Western Art, 125g Arts of Asia: Antiquity to 1300, 126g Introduction to Asian Art: 1300 to present, 127g Arts and Civilizations of Ancient Middle and South America, 128g Arts of Latin America, 201g Digging Into the Past: Material Culture and the Civilization of the Ancient Mediterranean ANTH 200Lg The Origins of Humanity, 202 Introduction to Archaeology CHEM 105Bl* Chemistry CLAS 150g: The Greeks and the West, 151g Civilization of Rome, 212L Archaeology: Interpreting the Past ENST 100 Introduction to Environmental Studies, 150gx Environmental Issues in Society GEOG 265 The Water Planet HIST 101g The Ancient World LING 295g The Ancient Near East: Culture, Archaeology, Texts MASC 110L Materials Science REL 111g World of the Hebrew Bible, 112g Religions of Ancient Egypt and the Near East, 121g: The World of the New Testament, 135g: Religions of China

UPPER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS All students must take at least one Archaeological Theories and Methods course. And, beyond this, students elect to take either (a) one additional upper division course from the Theories and Methods list AND two upper division courses from the Interdisciplinary Perspectives list (see list below) ----OR---- (b) one upper division course from the Interdisciplinary Perspectives list (see list below) AND two upper division courses from the Interdisciplinary Applications list (see list below)

Theories and Methods courses (note all courses are 4 credits except REL 495 which is 4-12 and can be taken more than one time) AHIS 325: Roman Archaeological Excavation: Methods and Practice, 425 Interdisciplinary Studies in Classical Art and Archaeology: Research and Methodology 427: Archaeological Theories, Methods and Practice CLAS/AHIS 415 Objectworlds: Histories and Theories of Things REL 494 Lab Methods and Theories in Archaeology, 495 Field Methods and Theories in Archaeology (4-12 credits)

Interdisciplinary Perspectives courses:


Interdisciplinary Applications courses:

ANTH 376 Scientific Methods in Archaeology, 481L* GIS for Archaeologists CHEM 300L** Analytical Chemistry ENST 320a Water and Soil Sustainability, 320b Energy and Air Sustainability GEOL 305Lx Intro to Engineering Geology, 412 Oceans and Climate, 320L*** Surficial Processes and Stratigraphic Systems SSCI 301L Maps and Spatial Reasoning, 382**** Principles of GIS, 483* Spatial Science Practicum

*Prerequisite: SSCI 382
**Prerequisite: CHEM 105b or CHEM 115b
***Prerequisite: GEOL 315
****Prerequisite: SSCI 301

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