

Anth 1030 Introduction to Archaeology

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LOCATION AND TIME:

Salt Lake Community College

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Mon-Wed-Fri 9:00-9:50 A.M.

REQUIRED TEXT:

Fagan, Brian M. & Christopher R. DeCorse, *In the Beginning: An Introduction to Archaeology*, 11th Edition.

GRADED ASSIGNMENTS:

Exam one (33%), exam two (33%), exam three (34%).

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Anthropology 1030 – an Introduction to Archaeology – introduces students to modern archaeological techniques, methods, and theories. As a branch of Anthropology, archaeology seeks to explore the cultures of peoples from the past by examining the artifacts they have left behind. As archaeology has developed over the years, this task has become far more complex and meticulous than it was a century or more ago, when excavations were little more than desperate efforts to find buried treasure. Archaeologists today enter the field with the utmost respect for those who have gone before. The sites we analyze were once places of habitation or usage by people who will only survive through our efforts to understand them and to properly esteem what they have left behind. By doing so, we may hope to better comprehend not only the cultures of the past, but our own as well.

IMPORTANT DATES:

9 Jan: First day of Spring classes.

13 Jan: Last day to add classes.

16 Jan: Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

30 Jan: Last day to drop classes with 100% refund.

20 Feb: Presidents' Day.

13-16 Mar: Spring Break.

21 Mar: Last day to withdraw (no refund).

27 Apr: Last day of classes.

28 Apr: Reading day (for exam preparation).

1-4 May: Final exams.

3 May 9:10-11:10 A.M.: FINAL EXAM.

5 May: Graduation.

10 May: Grades available.

15 May: Summer classes begin.



SCHEDULE:

UNIT ONE:

ARCHAEOLOGY, CULTURE, AND THE PAST

1. Archaeology (Fagan 1, 6, & 18)
2. History of Archaeology (Fagan 2 & 3)
3. Culture and Change (Fagan 3 & 6)
4. Mapping the Past (Fagan 2)
5. Measuring Time (Fagan 7)

UNIT TWO:

SITES, EXCAVATIONS, AND ARTIFACTS

6. Archaeological Sites (Fagan 4 & 6)
7. Assessing Sites (Fagan 8)
8. Archaeological Research (Fagan 5)
9. Excavations (Fagan 9)
10. Artifacts (Fagan 10 & 11)

UNIT THREE:

PEOPLE, SETTLEMENTS, AND LIFEWAYS

11. Ancient Environments (Fagan 12)
12. Subsistence and Diet (Fagan 13)
13. The Living Past (Fagan 14)
14. Settlement Archaeology (Fagan 15)
15. People and their Beliefs (Fagan 16 & 17)