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Course web page URL: http://www.sscnet.ucla.edu/05W/anthro110p-1/

Course Description: Anthropology 110P provides a survey of basic archaeological theories, methods, and practice including the ways in which data are recognized, recovered, analyzed, interpreted, and presented. Intended primarily for majors and minors in Anthropology and closely related disciplines, the course seeks to describe the current state of archaeological studies, in part by exploring their historical roots. Case studies from around the world are employed to examine the ways in which archaeological methods and theories are put into practice.

Course Prerequisite: Anthropology 8

Required Textbooks:

2. Additional readings posted on class website

Readings: Students are expected to complete required readings by the dates indicated. The texts and lectures are complementary and both include appropriate material from which examination questions will be drawn. Additional readings not listed in this syllabus may be assigned throughout the quarter.

Attendance: Every student is required to attend all lectures each week. Attendance is a factor in calculating final grades.

Papers, Examinations, and Grading Policy: There will be one in-class midterm exam (February 10, 2005) and a 10 page research paper on a topic appropriate for the class. The midterm exam and paper are equally weighted (100 points each = Total 200 points). The paper is due by 4PM in the Anthropology Main Office (Haines Hall 341) on Thursday, March 10, 2005. NO LATE PAPERS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

The final exam (Thursday, March 24, 2005) is OPTIONAL and can be taken to improve your grade. If taken, the final exam will not hurt your grade.
NOTE: With the exception of students with documented learning disabilities, special individual arrangements for the timing of exams cannot be made! If you cannot be present to take the midterm, final, and make-up exams at their scheduled times, drop the course now!

Incomplete grades: Incompletes will be granted only under exceptional circumstances.

Statement on Cheating & Plagiarism: Cheating and plagiarism are violations of the University Code of Academic Integrity, and carry penalties as severe as dismissal from the University. While most students are aware of what constitutes cheating in the case of examinations, many are genuinely confused about what it means to “plagiarize” in writing a paper. Plagiarism is the use of the work of another author without giving appropriate credit. Practically, what it means is that when you take a fact, an idea, or a passage of writing (a “quotation”) from the work of another author, you must provide an appropriate citation. Sometimes the meaning of “take an idea” can be unclear. Some ideas need not be cited: ideas that are in the public domain (that Tucson is very hot, for instance), well-established and generic ideas, like asserting that “Language is the fundamental behavior that differentiates human beings from their nearest primate relatives”, and folkloric or vernacular ideas: “It has been said that in the American West, water flows uphill to money”. If you use a fact, idea, or quotation from your reading, you must attribute it! There are standard formats for such attribution, including lists of “References Cited”, which differ slightly from field to field. American archaeology uses a citation format established by the journal American Antiquity and described in detail in the October 1992 issue (Volume 57, Number 4, pages 749-770), or www.saa.org/Publications/StyleGuide/styframe.html. You must follow American Antiquity style guidelines for all written exercises in this course. If you have any doubt about the meaning of plagiarism, or how to define the boundary between legitimate information-sharing and outright cheating, you should consult with Brantingham at your earliest convenience.

Important Dates:
- Paper Due: March 10, 2005 (by 4PM, Haines Hall 341).
- Final Exam (OPTIONAL): 11:30AM-2:30PM, March 24, 2005 (Location TBA).

General Problems: If you wish to discuss matters related to the lectures and reading, or in the event of any difficulties, you should not hesitate to contact Dr. Brantingham directly during walk-in office hours on Tuesdays (Haines Hall 311) or by appointment (310-267-4251; branting@ucla.edu).