Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Archaeology

The Archaeology Major Program covers both archaeology itself and other disciplines common in archaeological research: Anthropology, art history, classics, and history. For distribution purposes, courses are divided into three groups: Field and laboratory work, anthropological archaeology, and ancient civilizations. (See the other side of this sheet). Students take courses in all groups, and may further specialize in one discipline or area. All acquire experience in field or laboratory methods. Twelve credit hours or the equivalent of a pertinent foreign language are also required.

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Distribution of Courses (rev. February 11, 2019)

Courses may be offered every year, every other year, or irregularly. Confer with an advisor before planning your schedule. Students must complete a minimum of 39 hours in the major plus the required language credits/competency. Starred courses appear more than once but can only count in one category.

I. Core Courses (9 hours). Required of all majors and minors.
   - Anth 1002 Sociocultural Anthropology
   - Anth 1003 Archaeology
   - Anth 3838/3838W Theory and Practice in Archaeology (recommended for junior or senior year)

II. Field and Laboratory Work (3-6 hours). One or two of the following:
   - Anth 3832 Paleoanthropological Field Program (summer)
   - Anth 3833 Mesoamerican Field Research (summer)
   - Anth 3834 Mediterranean Field Program (summer)
   - Anth 3835 Historical Archaeology Field Program (summer)
   - Anth 3839 Laboratory Research Methods in Archaeology
   - Anth 3995 Undergraduate Research (e.g., other field schools, museum work)
   - Anth 6806 Technology (qualified juniors and seniors)

III. Anthropological Archaeology (12-15 hours). Four or five of the following. Students must take at least one starred course; these can only count in one category. Either Anth 2821 or 2822 and either Anth 3812 or 3814 may count toward this requirement, but not both.
   - Anth 2821 Myths and Mysteries in Archaeology (counts for the major with advisor’s permission)
   - Anth 2822 Archaeology in Film and Television
   - Anth 3801/3801W African Roots from Australopithecus to Zimbabwe (spring)
   - Anth 3802/3802W Human Cultural Beginnings (fall)
   - Anth 3803/3803W Old World Prehistory: First Farmers to First Cities (spring)
   - Anth 3805/AH 3106* Art and Archaeology of Israel and Neighboring Lands (fall)
   - Anth 3806/AH 3104* Art and Archaeology of the Aegean Bronze Age
   - Anth 3808* Archaeology and the Celts
   - Anth 3811 Historical Archaeology (spring)
   - Anth 3812/AH 3116* The Aztec Empire
   - Anth 3813* Archaeology of North America
   - Anth 3814/AH 3107* Ancient Mexican Civilizations
   - Anth 3823 Archaeology of Ritual and Religion
   - Anth 3891 Special Topics in Archaeology

IV. Ancient Civilizations (15 hours). Five of the following, including at least one in each category below. Starred courses can count in only one category.

Art History
   - AH 3101 Ancient Art of the Bronze Age and Greece
   - AH 3102 Ancient Art of the Roman Empire
   - AH 3103 Art and Archaeology of Egypt and the Near East
   - AH 3104/Anth 3806* Art and Archaeology of the Aegean Bronze Age
   - AH 3105/Clas 3115* Topics in Ancient Art and Archaeology
   - AH 3106/Ant 3805* Art and Archaeology of Israel and Neighboring Lands
   - AH 3117/Ant 3891* Special Topics in Precolumbian Art and Archaeology

Classics
   - Clas 2105 Special Topics in Classics
   - Clas 2106 Mythology of the Classical World
   - Clas 2107 Greek and Roman Drama
   - Clas 3114 Topics in Ancient Literature and Culture
   - Clas 3115/AH 3105* Topics in Ancient Art and Archaeology

History
   - Hist 2112/Clas 2112 Early Aegean and Greek Civilizations to 338 BC
   - Hist 2113/Clas 2113 The Roman World to 337 AD
   - Hist 2803/Clas 2803 The Ancient Near East and Egypt to 322 BC
   - Hist 2804/Clas 2804 History of Ancient Israel
   - Hist 3111 Topics in Ancient History

Archaeology of Ancient Civilizations
   - Anth 2821 Myths and Mysteries in Archaeology (with advisor’s permission)
   - Anth 3804 Origins of the State and Urban Society
   - Anth 3805/AH 3106* Art and Archaeology of Israel and Neighboring Lands
   - Anth 3806/AH 3104* Art and Archaeology of the Aegean Bronze Age
   - Anth 3808/AH 3116* Archaeology and the Celts
   - Anth 3812* The Aztec Empire
   - Anth 3813* Archaeology of North America
   - Anth 3814/AH 3107* Ancient Mexican Civilizations
   - Anth 3891/AH 3117* Special Topics in Precolumbian Art and Archaeology

V. Language Requirement (12 hours). Students must complete 12 credit hours or demonstrate equivalent skill in French, Spanish, German, Italian, Arabic, Hebrew, Latin, or Greek. Those whose preparation allows them to waive this requirement are encouraged to begin study of a second language. Graduate study in archaeology usually requires knowledge of two or more languages besides English, and students intending advanced study should consult with an advisor early in their program.