

Ancient Peoples and Places

Archaeology 100

Section: D100

Term: 2002 Summer

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Afternoon Course at Burnaby Campus

Discussion Topics: Course Description:

This course will provide an overview of the development of human cultures over the last 40,000 years, from the Palaeolithic through to the rise of civilizations and empires in both the Old and New World. Lectures will be illustrated by slides, films and case study examples.

Proposed Lecture Topics:

1. Introduction: Fundamentals of Archaeology.
2. The First Humans: Evolution, The Dawn of Humanity, Origins of Culture.
3. Old World Palaeolithic Cultures; First Peoples of Australia and the Americas.
4. Hunter-Gatherers: Mesolithic and Archaic Cultures.
5. The Origins of Agriculture: Neolithic and Formative Cultures.
6. The Development of Complex Societies.
7. Civilizations of the Near/Middle East.
8. Civilizations of Asia: Indus Valley, China.
9. Civilizations of Africa: Ancient Egypt.
10. Later Old World States.
11. Mesoamerican Civilizations.
12. Andean Civilizations.
13. Complex Societies of North America.

Grading: Quiz 1: 25%
Quiz 2: 25%
Quiz 3: 25%
Quiz 4: 25%

Required Texts: Price, T. Douglas and Gary M. Feinman Images of the Past. 2001. Third Edition. Mayfield, Toronto. Paperback

Recommended Texts: none

Materials/Supplies: none

Prerequisite/Corequisite: none

Notes: This is a lecture course with no tutorials.

Deferred grades will be given only on the basis of authenticated medical disability.

This course may be applied toward the Certificate in Liberal Arts (Set 7).

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