

California University of Pennsylvania
Guidelines for New Course Proposals
University Course Syllabus
Approved: 2/4/13

Department of Justice, Law and Society

A. Protocol

Course Name: Historical Archaeology
Course Number: ANT 360
Credits: 3
Prerequisites: None
Maximum Class Size: 30

B. **Objectives of the Course:** upon completion of the course, students will be able to do:

- 1) Correctly define the subject matter of both historical and historic sites archaeology
- 2) Correctly describe how historical archaeology, history and anthropology are related
- 3) Outline how the scientific method and theory are used in historical archaeology to answer questions about our historic past
- 4) Describe how historical documents in the form of probate records and property deeds can be used to solve research questions
- 5) Explain the importance of pattern recognition in historical archaeology research
- 6) Explain how artifacts patterns can be used to identify ethnicity, social/economic status, and nationalism behavior

C. **Catalog Description:**

The course provides an introduction to the field of historical archaeology. It uses a combined lecture/discussion format and is divided into two main parts. The first half is descriptive and covers the definition of the field, its history, and methodology. The second half used a topical approach and provides an introduction to some of the ways that historical archaeologists have examined our historic past.

D. **Outline of the Course:**

I. Part One: Foundation

- 1) Defining the identity of Historical Archaeology:
- 2) History of Historical Archaeology: then and today
- 3) Methodology and Resources:
- 4) Documentary Research and Oral History
- 5) Probate Records Research
- 6) Chronology
- 7) Artifacts as Documents

II. Exploring and Explaining Our Historic Past: topical studies

- A. Cities/Class
- B. Ethnicity/Foodways
- C. Class and Identity
- D. Military Sites
- E. Gender/Class
- F. Acculturation and Social Change
- G. Religious Materialism and Ideology
- H. Historic Sites and Public Education

III. World Systems:

- 1) Artifact Patterns
 - 2) Architecture
 - 3) Religious Behavior
 - 4) European Colonization Processes
- IV. Historical Archaeology and CRM:

E. Teaching Methodology (face to face or classroom)

A variety of teaching methodologies may be used in teaching this course. They include, but are not limited to: lectures, PowerPoint images, assigned readings, case studies, multi-media presentations, group discussions, and guest speakers. Emphasis will be placed on engaging the learner for involvement and active participation in the learning process.

F. Text:

Deetz, James, *In Small Things Forgotten: an Archaeology of Early American Life*, expanded and revised edition, Anchor Books, 1996.

Hall, Martin and Stephen W. Silliman, editors, *Historical Archaeology*, Blackwell Publishing, 2006.

Orser, Charles, *Historical Archaeology*, 2nd edition, Pearson Prentice Hall Publishers, 2004.

G. Assessment Activities (face to face or classroom). Individual instructors may customize different activities.

1. Performance assessment tasks
2. Weekly assignments and reports
3. Exams and/or quizzes
4. Individual/Group projects
5. Case studies
6. Research Reports
7. Article/Book Critiques

H. Accommodations for Students with Disabilities:

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Students with disabilities:

- Reserve the right to decide when to self-identify and when to request accommodations.
- Will register with the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) each semester to receive accommodations.
- Might be required to communicate with faculty for accommodations which specifically involve the faculty.
- Will present the OSD Accommodation Approval Notice to faculty when requesting accommodations that involve the faculty.

Requests for approval for reasonable accommodations should be directed to the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD). Approved accommodations will be recorded on the OSD Accommodation Approval notice and provided to the student. Students are expected to adhere to OSD procedures for self-identifying, providing documentation and requesting accommodations in a timely manner.

Contact Information:

- Location: Azorsky Hall – Room 105
 - Phone: (724) 938-5781
 - Fax: (724) 938-4599
 - Email: osdmail@calu.edu
- Web Site: <http://sai.calu.edu/osd>

- I. Supportive Instructional Materials, e.g. library materials, web sites, etc.

Additional Information for Course Proposals

- J. Proposed Instructors:
- K. Rationale for the Course:
- L. Specialized Equipment or Supplies Needed:
- M. Answer the following questions using complete sentences:
1. Does the course require additional human resources? (Please explain)
 2. Does the course require additional physical resources? (Please explain)
 3. Does the course change the requirements in any particular major? (Please explain)
 4. Does the course replace an existing course in your program? (If so, list the course)
 5. How often will the course be taught?
 6. Does the course duplicate an existing course in another Department or College? (If the possibility exists, indicate course discipline, number, and name)
- N. If the proposed course includes substantial material that is traditionally taught in another discipline, you must request a statement of support from the department chair that houses that discipline.
- O. Please identify if you are proposing to have this course considered as a menu course for General Education. If yes, justify and demonstrate the reasons based on the categories for General Education. The General Education Committee must consider and approve the course proposal before consideration by the UCC.
- P. Provide Approval Form (electronically).

Additional Guidelines

The following are additional guidelines that you must follow which will expedite your course proposal. Failure to follow these guidelines will result in the return of the proposal to the department.

1. Be sure that your proposal is in the correct format (Guidelines for New Course Proposals) and that all questions have been completely answered.
2. Be sure that you have completed and attached the Application to Establish a New Course form and/or the Advisement Sheet Revision form and that the **appropriate signatures** have been affixed. Please send through the process electronically (the preferred method) or by paper. No items will be placed on the agenda until the Chair of the UCC is in possession of these forms.
3. Be sure that you include an updated advisement sheet for any course that is being required by the department or is classified as a restricted elective. In addition, you must include an electronic copy (MS Word or PDF) of the current advisement sheet(s) with your proposal. Be certain that all advisement sheets affected by the proposed course change be included with your proposal.
4. When submitting materials for consideration by the Curriculum Committee, you must provide an electronic copy of each item to be reviewed to the Chairperson.
5. All completed items must be in the hands of the Chairperson of the Curriculum Committee a minimum of one week prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting.
6. Any department requesting a course name change, number change, prefix changes, credit changes, etc. must submit this request on the Application to Establish a New Course Form and submit electronically.

7. New advisement sheets, major proposals, minors, LOCs, Certificates, or changes to advisement sheets will become effective the fall semester following committee approval. **The advisement sheets must also include the committee approval date and the effective date on the advisement page.** Submit this request on the Advisement and /or Program Changes form.
8. New courses will become effective the semester following committee approval.
9. Any references listed must be in the appropriate bibliographic format for the discipline.
10. Online courses should follow the Quality Matters™ rubric and is posted on the UCC website. Be sure that you include the online teaching methodology statement (refer E.2 above) that refers to the Quality Matters™ rubric.
11. All course objectives must follow Bloom's Taxonomy learning domains located on the UCC website.