Outline of Instruction

Division: Social Science  
Area: Anthropology

Course Number: 165  
Course Name: Eastern North American Archaeology

Prerequisites: None  
Corequisite: None

Hours Required:  
Class: 45  
Lab: 0  
Credits: 3

Course Description/Purpose

This course is designed to provide a thorough introduction to the archaeology of eastern North America from the initial Native American occupations to the early Euro American settlement of the area. Case studies will be employed to illustrate major trends or concepts. Lectures, demonstrations, slide shows and hands-on experiences and exercises will be used to facilitate the learning experience.

Major Units

- Important Archaeological Concepts
- Eastern North American Environments
- The Paleoindian Period
- The Archaic Period
- The Woodland Period
- The Proto-historic and Early Historic Period
- The World Today

Educational/Course Outcomes

Student learning will be assessed by a variety of methods, including, but not limited to, quizzes and tests, journals, essays, papers, projects, laboratory/clinical exercises and examinations, presentations, simulations, portfolios, homework assignments, and instructor observations.

Cognitive  
Each student will be expected to Identify/Recognize . . .

- major trends in eastern North American Archaeology
- the major cultural periods
- the importance of careful excavation, analysis of finds, and application of reasoning to the understanding of past cultures.
- appreciate the fragile and irreplaceable nature of archaeological resources
Performance  Each student will be expected to *Demonstrate/Practice* . . .

- construct an essay regarding some important facet of regional prehistory

Attitudinal  Each student will be expected to *Believe/Feel/Think* . . .

- that the study of archaeology is critical for reaching an accurate understanding of the past and appreciating the fragile nature of archaeological resources and the concomitant value of historic preservation

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