

Course Outcome Summary

Standard Course

ANTHR 175 Archeological Field Methods

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Prerequisites RDG 090 and ENGL 090 or qualifying scores on accepted placement tests.

Course Description

Archaeological Field Methods introduces the theory and methodology of fieldwork to Monroe County Community College students. Students spend the majority of this class out-of-doors engaging in hands-on activity while working on actual archaeological sites. As such, students experience the excitement and hard work that goes in to recovering artifacts and other archaeological material. Students will learn how archaeologists plan and conduct research, learn proper excavation and recording methods, and learn how to identify artifacts. As importantly, you will recognize the social aspects of archaeology, including the value of individual work and self-discipline as well as the value of teamwork. When finished with this class, students will have a basic yet thorough knowledge of archaeological fieldwork techniques and will be prepared for more advanced study.

Course Outcomes

In order to evidence success in this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Identify the proper field technique for use in recovering artifacts and other archaeological phenomena
- 2. Relate stratigraphic evidence to archaeological context
- 3. Demonstrate ability to properly select and use archaeological equipment
- 4. Illustrate basic competence in archaeological mapping and proper note taking
- 5. Ascertain the relationship of student work area to larger site within the context of the overall research design
- 6. Accept responsibility for the proper handling of archaeological materials; these are the materials remains of someone's ancestor

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