

School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

ARCH 190-001 Archaeological Field Assistant Spring 2017

COURSE OUTLINE

The	Approved Course Description is available on the web @
_	Please note: this outline will be electronically stored for five (5) years only.
	It is strongly recommended students keep this outline for your records.

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Nicole Kilburn	
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Discuss the laws that protect archaeological sites in British Columbia in specific field scenarios.
- 2. Employ basic archaeological inventory skills in the field to accurately and safely record heritage features and sites
 - Complete key components of the Archaeological Site Inventory Form and the CMT Site Recording Form as required by the BC Heritage Conservation Act.
- 3. Use appropriate technology to identify and efficiently record archaeological features
- 4. Work in teams to effectively apply the techniques of field archaeology
- 5. Practice respect for Indigenous perspectives in cultural heritage
 - Learn and follow indigenous cultural protocols

(a) Readings

The following materials are free for individuals to download from the internet for personal use. Please print these off and read and consult throughout the course. The highlighted readings below are more for reference, so do not print these unless you have a specific interest. They are available at these web addresses, and linked off my website. Note: There may be a few additional readings that are assigned throughout the course.

British Columbia Archaeological	https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/archaeology/docs/resource_management_hand
Resource Management Handbook	book/index.htm
British Columbia Site Inventory	https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/ftp/archaeology/external/!publish/Web/inventor
Form Guide	y site/Site Form Guide.pdf
Ministry of Small Business,	https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/ftp/archaeology/external/!publish/web/inventor
Tourism and Culture	<u>y_guidelines.pdf</u>
2000 Archaeological Inventory	
Guidelines. Prepared by the	
Archaeology Branch for the	
Culture Task Force Resources	
Inventory Committee	
Ministry of Small Business,	https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfd/pubs/docs/mr/mr091.htm
Tourism, and Culture	
2001 Culturally Modified Trees of	This is a great resource, with more information than you will need in this
British Columbia; A Handbook	program. You can download it, but beware, it is HUGE. Please read the
for the Identification and	following:
Recording of Culturally	• Introduction (p. 1-5_
Modified Trees. Published by	• skim the Coast BC section, paying attention to the shaded boxes,
the Resource Inventory	ID key for coastal CMTs, and summary of toolmarks (p. 6-60)
Committee	• skim Interior BC section (p. 61-85)
	• skim recording section, paying attention to the Level 1 (p. 88-90)
	and Level 2 (p. 95-108) site forms recording guidelines
Heritage Conservation Act	http://www.qp.gov.bc.ca/statreg/stat/H/96187_01.htm
	Please read all of this; it will be demystified in class!
BC Tree Identification book	https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfd/library/documents/treebook/TreeBook.pdf
Safety in the Field materials	There are various resources linked off my website
	www.faculty.camosun.ca/nicolekilburn; follow through to the
	Archaeology Field Assistant Program page
Quentin Mackie's Northwest	http://qmackie.wordpress.com/
Coast Archaeology blog	Dr. Mackie from UVIC posts about all sorts of things related to
	archaeology in this province. His posts from March 2011 are particularly
	relevant here as they consider an ongoing local archaeology issue about
	the application of the Heritage Conservation Act and who pays for the
	work. Please become familiar with the "Willows Beach Controversy" by
	reading the posts from March 10, 25, and 27 (and the accompanying
	comments) and any related links that are part of these posts. Come to
	class on April 26 ready to talk about this and with questions!

(b) Other

Each student will be required to purchase a course pack of photocopies and an equipment kit from the bookstore.

4. Course Content and Schedule

Day	Content Covered	Readings
Wednesday	Program introduction	Heritage Conservation
April 26	CRM in BC	Act; British Columbia
	- CINI III DC	Archaeological Resource
		Management Handbook;
		Mackie's blog
Friday April	introduction to field documentation	Archaeological Inventory
28	Survey of the prehistory of BC	Guidelines;
	survey of the promistory of Be	Archaeological Impact
		Assessment Process
Saturday	HCA quiz	
April 29	applied survey methods lab	
_	orienteering exercises to practice map,	
	compass and GPS skills	
Wednesday	Discussion of features and site types and	
May 3	what they look like in the field	
	Basic artifact recognition lab	
Friday May 5	Fieldtrip weekend	Culturally Modified Trees
	7:30 am meet at the college, help pack the bus,	of British Columbia.; A
	travel to Tsartlip to meet with knowledge keepers	Handbook for the
	to discuss cultural protocols and ethics and respect	Identification and
	in archaeology	Recording of Culturally
	10:25 am ferry to Galiano Island (arrives	Modified Trees
	12:00pm)	
	 Discussion of site forms during ferry 	British Columbia Site
	crossing	Inventory Form Guide
	Afternoon activity:	
	 tour of sites around Montague Harbour. 	Colin Grier's articles in our
	 What are CMTs and how do we record 	course pack (there are 2
	them?	about work at DgRv-003 at
Saturday May	8:00-9:00 am breakfast, breaking camp	Dioniso Point)
6	9:00 am relocate to Dionisio Point, hike to village	
	site (about 30 minutes)	
	Site form and field note assignment in 4 person	
	groups (to be finished on the ferry)	
	5:40 pm ferry back to Swartz Bay (arrives 7:05	
*** 1	pm), arrival back at Camosun ~8:00pm.	
Wednesday	Discussion of safety in the field	Safety in the Field
May 10	Applied project orientation, discussion of	materials
	scope of work, methodology	
B.1. 3.5	Organize field teams and logistics	
Friday May	7:30 am meet at the college and travel by bus to	
12	Brentwood Bay	
	We will survey on Senanus island until 12:00 pm,	
	have lunch in Brentwood Bay and an afternoon	
	fieldtrip 3.30mm wron up for the day, at the college	
Saturday Mary	3:30pm wrap up for the day, at the college	
Saturday May 13	7:30 am meet at the college Objectives of the day:	
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	 work teams continue surveying and recording 	
	recording	

	12:00 pm leave the site and return to campus for
	a shovel test exercise and sediments lab
	3:30 pm wrap up for the day, at the college
Friday May	7:30 am meet at the college
19	Objectives of the day:
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	Organize in work teams
	Complete survey
	12:00 pm leave the site
	3:30 pm wrap up for the day, at the college
Saturday May	7:30 am meet at the college
20	Objectives of the day:
	Complete field documentation
	• Clean up, remove flags, etc
	A brushing off ceremony will be conducted in
	Brentwood Bay at 12:30pm prior to returning to
	campus
	~1:30-3:00 pm finish paperwork on campus

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

This program is evaluated on a pass/fail basis. Evaluation is based on the following elements, which will be tested on multiple occasions over the course of the program:

- Attendance and participation: you must attend every day of the program, and miss no more than 2 hours over the entire period to successfully complete
- Map reading skills: 90% correct by end of program
- Identifying arch sites and features: 80% correct
- Successful completion of Arch Branch site forms and CMT forms: 80% correct
- **Fieldnotes**: by the end of the program these should be at least 80% correct
- Survey skills: 100% correct by the end of the program
- Heritage Conservation Act quiz April 29: 85% correct

Each of these elements of evaluation will be explained on the first day of the course. Upon successful completion of the program, students will receive a Certificate in Archaeology Field Assistance from Camosun College and a Certificate of Competency from the Provincial Archaeology Branch.

6. Grading System

Competency Based Grading System (Non GPA)

This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes.

Grade	Description
COM	The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
DST	The student has met and exceeded, above and beyond expectation, the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
NC	The student has not met the goals, criteria or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete</i> : A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress</i> : A temporary grade assigned for courses that are designed to have an anticipated enrollment that extends beyond one term. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course.
CW	Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.