

## ARCHAEOLOGY 325 ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS

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**Semester:** Winter 2017                      **Lecture:** Tuesday 6-8:45pm in ST 141  
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**Course Description:** The rise and achievements of the earliest civilizations in both the Old and New Worlds. Emphasis will be placed on the civilizations of Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, China, Mesoamerica and the Andes, but we will also cover Rome, Greece the Aegean and Northeast African civilizations.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Required Text:** Scarre, Christopher and Brian Fagan. 2016. *Ancient Civilizations (4th edition)*. Routledge, New York.

The cheapest version is the e-book on Amazon.ca with the free download of the kindle app for your phone/computer.

### **Exam and quiz schedule**

Exam 1: Tuesday lecture period February 14 (30% of final grade)

Exam 2: Tuesday lecture period March 28 (week 11) (30% of final grade)

Final quiz: Tuesday lecture period April 11 (10% of final grade)

4 on-line assignments (30% of final grade). Students will be assigned an online resource (Ted-talk, video from the Talor digital library, free download from itunes U) for each assignment. The assignment is followed by a multiple choice quiz on D2L for a set period of time over a weekend. At the end of the week that the quiz is scheduled the online quiz will be open from approximately noon on the Friday until 10pm on Sunday. The assignment can be done for a set period of time (varies with assignment) at any time when the quiz is open on d2l.

week 3: Online quiz 1: TBA

week 5: Online quiz 2: TBA

week 8: Online quiz 3: TBA

week 11: Online quiz 4: TBA

### **Mark Distributions are determined as follows:**

#### **Grading Scheme**

96.0-100	A+	66.0-70.99	C+
91.0-95.99	A	61.0-65.99	C
86.0-90.99	A-	56.0-60.99	C-
81.0-85.99	B+	53.0-55.99	D+
76.0-80.99	B	50.0-52.99	D
71.0-75.99	B-	below 50.0	F

Students do not need to pass every course component in order to pass the course as a whole, however, students must complete all elements of the course in a diligent manner in order to complete the course.

Students are responsible for their own note taking. D2L notes are minimal outlines and are not a substitute for in-class note taking (I do not publish images from classroom powerpoint presentations on D2L in respect of copyright laws).

**Missed exams and quizzes require a medical certificate for rescheduling.** Students who are unable to take a scheduled exam must contact the instructor by phone, email or in person in advance of the scheduled exam to make necessary arrangements for a rewrite after providing a medical certificate. The make-up quiz normally takes place prior to the next class at a time convenient with the instructor. The use of notes, computers, cell-phones and other electronic devices are not allowed in exams and quizzes. While students can bring beverages to an exam, do not bring crunchy and smelly lunches or snacks because they are distracting to other students.

**Students are not allowed to tape, video-record or photograph lectures without written permission from the instructor.**

#### **ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS**

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/access/accommodations/policy>

Students needing an Accommodation because of a Disability or medical condition should communicate this need to Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Students needing an Accommodation based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to "(Instructor) (Associate Dean) (Department Head) (other designated person)"

#### **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY**

Academic integrity is essential to the pursuit of learning and scholarship in a university, and to ensuring that a degree from the University of Calgary is a strong signal of each student's individual academic achievements. As a result, the University treats cases of cheating and plagiarism very seriously. For detailed information on what constitutes academic misconduct, please refer to the following link: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2-1.html>

All suspected cases of academic dishonesty will be investigated following procedures outlined in the University Calendar. If you have questions or concerns about what constitutes appropriate academic behavior or appropriate research and citation methods, you are expected to seek out additional information on academic integrity from your instructor or from other institutional resources.

#### **TEACHING EVALUATIONS / USRIS (Universal Student Ratings of Instruction)**

At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses. Your responses make a difference, please

participate! Website: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/usri/>

### **Writing Across the Curriculum:**

Writing skills are not exclusive to English courses and, in fact, should cross all disciplines. The University supports the belief that throughout their University careers, students should be taught how to write well so that when they graduate their writing abilities will be far above the minimal standards required at entrance. Consistent with this belief, students are expected to do a substantial amount of writing in their University courses and, where appropriate, instructors can and may use writing and the grading thereof as a factor in the evaluation of student work. The services provided by the Writing Centre in the Effective Writing Office can be utilized by all undergraduate and graduate students who feel they require further assistance.

### **Emergency Evacuation Assembly Points:**

In the event of an emergency that requires evacuation, please refer to the following link to become familiar with the assembly points for the class:

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints>

### **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:**

The University of Calgary is committed to protecting the privacy of individuals who work and study at the University or who otherwise interact with the University in accordance with the standards set out in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Please refer to the following link for detailed information: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/legalservices/foip>

The Department of Anthropology and Archaeology's FOIP (Freedom of Information and Privacy) policy requires all reports/examinations to be returned to students during class time or the instructor's office hours. Any term work not picked up will be placed in the Anthropology and Archaeology Office (ES620) for distribution. Any student not wishing to have their work placed in the office must make alternative arrangements with the course instructor early in the term.

### **Safewalk Information:**

Campus Security, in partnership with the Students' Union, provides the Safewalk service, 24 hours a day to any location on Campus including the LRT, parking lots, bus zones and University residences. Contact Campus Security at (403) 220-5333 or use a help phone, and Safewalkers or a Campus Security Officer will accompany you to your campus destination.

### **Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources:**

Have a question, but not sure where to start? Arts Students' Centre

The Faculty of Arts Students' Centre is the overall headquarters for undergraduate programs in the Faculty of Arts. The key objective of this office is to connect students with whatever academic assistance that they require.

In addition to housing the Associate Dean, Undergraduate Programs and Student Affairs and the

Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning, the Arts Students' Centre is the specific home **to:**

- program advising
- the Faculty's Co-operative Education Program
- the Arts and Science Honours Academy
- the Faculty's Interdisciplinary Programs
- a Student Help Desk

Location: Social Sciences Room 102

Phone: 403.220.3580

Email: [ascarts@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ascarts@ucalgary.ca)

Website: [arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate/](http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate/)

For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Library Block.

Contacts for Students Union Representatives for the Faculty of Arts:

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**Dates for topics may vary depending on the pace of the class, but the exam and quiz schedules remain fixed.**

**Week 1:** January 10

Studying civilizations: what are civilizations; theories of states.

If time permits we will begin with Mesopotamia.

Readings: chapters 1, 2

**Week 2:** January 17

Mesopotamia

Readings: Chapter 3

**Week 3:** January 24

Ancient Egypt

Readings: Chapter 4

[Online quiz 1: TBA](#)

**Week 4:** January 31

South Asia: Indus and later civilizations, Ancient China

Readings: Chapters 5, 6

**Week 5:** February 7

Ancient China, Near Eastern Kingdoms

Readings: Chapters 6, 7

[Online quiz 2: TBA](#)

**Week 6:** February 14

Near Eastern Kingdoms  
Chapter 8

**Exam: 30% of final grade**

Reading week Feb 20-26

**Week 7:** February 28

Aegean, Ancient Greece

Readings: Chapters 9, 10

**Week 8:** March 7

Imperial Rome, Northeast Africa

Readings: Chapters 11, 12

[Online quiz 3: Assignment TBA](#)

**Week 9:** March 14

Northeast Africa and Southeast Asia

Readings: Chapters 12, 13, 14

**Week 10:** March 21

Mesoamerica

Readings: Chapters 15

**Week 11:** March 28

**Exam 2: 30% of final grade**

Mesoamerica

Readings: Chapter 16

[Online quiz 4: Assignment TBA](#)

**Week 12:** April 4

Andean civilizations

Readings: Chapter 17

**Week 13:** April 11

Andean States

Readings: Chapter 18

***Final Quiz (10% of final grade) in class***