ANCIENT CITIES IN ARCHAEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE

ARKY 440 (LEC01)
GFC Hours 3-0
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COURSE DESCRIPTION
In this course, we will explore archaeological approaches to ancient cities. This course utilizes a cross-cultural perspective to examine historical definitions and features of ancient cities, as well as current theoretical and methodological approaches used by archaeologists to interpret them.

Readings and discussions will emphasize innovative approaches to the study of pre-modern urbanism, while also addressing key theoretical contributions and debates in the field. The course will feature a mixture of lectures and discussion.

READINGS AND TEXTBOOKS
REQUIRED READINGS:


Readings from the relevant literature as indicated in the Course Schedule – links provided on D2L

Please check the Course Schedule below for readings and due dates. Links to articles, book chapters and videos will be posted on D2L in modules that correspond to the week in which they are due.

REQUIRED TECHNOLOGY
In order to successfully engage in assignments for this course, please make sure that you have reliable access to the following technology:

• A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security and malware updates
• A current and updated web browser
• Word processing software (Instruction will be given using MS Word; Google Docs can also be used)
• Presentation software (Instruction will be given using MS Powerpoint; Google Slides can also be used)
• D2L

Recommended: A stable internet connection, web camera, microphone, Zoom.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this course, students will be expected to:

➢ Understand how archaeologists use documentary sources, oral traditions, and scientific methods to identify and interpret ancient cities.
➢ Describe the historical development of the study of the archaeology of urbanism, including current debates in the field.
➢ Apply current approaches in the archaeology of urbanism to global examples of ancient cities.
➢ Develop cross-cultural sensitivity with regard to the management of, and research into, material remains and cultural heritage of ancient cities.
➢ Identify attributes of ancient cities that enable us to better understand 21st century cities.

COURSE ACTIVITIES

Grades will be based on the following course activities. Marks for each activity will be converted into a percentage of the total course grade according to the following rubric:

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<th>Activity</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
<th>Marks</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Participation</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>Starts in Week 3</td>
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<td>2. Discussion leadership</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>75</td>
<td>Chosen during Week 2</td>
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<td>3. Annotated bibliography</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>Monday, Oct. 3</td>
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<td>4. Midterm Paper</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Wednesday, Nov. 16</td>
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<td>5. Final Paper</td>
<td>35%</td>
<td>175</td>
<td>Wednesday, Dec. 7</td>
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NOTE: There is no registrar-scheduled final examination for this course. Students do not need to pass each individual course component in order to pass the course as a whole.

In this class, grades are assigned according to the following chart:

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<th>Percentages</th>
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<td>95-100%</td>
<td>A+</td>
<td>The A range denotes excellent performance.</td>
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<td>90-94.9%</td>
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<td>85-89.9%</td>
<td>A-</td>
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<td>80-84.9%</td>
<td>B+</td>
<td>The B range denotes good performance.</td>
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<td>71-74.9%</td>
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<td>67-70.9%</td>
<td>C+</td>
<td>The C range denotes satisfactory performance.</td>
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<td>D+</td>
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<tr>
<td>&lt;50%</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>An F denotes failing performance.</td>
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COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENT

1. Participation (10%)

This course involves both lecture and discussion, and students will be graded for their participation during in-class discussions and activities.

Grading for “participation” assumes that you come to class regularly and on time, ready to talk about the required reading/assignments. In-class comments during discussion should demonstrate to that you have done the readings and thought seriously about them. Please come ready to provide helpful questions and comments, particularly when your classmates are taking their turns as discussion leader. It is important to follow the rules of course etiquette in order to receive full participation marks (see below).

Participation will be calculated from a total of 20 course meetings, starting in Week 3. Two late arrivals (i.e., walking into class after course activities have begun) will count as one absence when calculating participation. Where the instructor grants an exemption, the participation grade will be calculated as a proportion from the course meetings attended.

If you find you are having difficulties participating in class discussions, please visit office hours or reach out to the professor by email early in the semester. Please do not wait to turn things around until the end of the semester, as it may not be possible to have a substantial impact on your course mark.

2. DISCUSSION LEADERSHIP (15%)

In Week 2, students will sign up to lead one week of discussion for the class on Discussion days. Normally, students will be asked to sign up in groups of three. Each student will choose one of the reading options (chapters or articles) assigned for their discussion day. An alternate article may be substituted with advance approval of the professor, no less than 36 hours prior to the assigned Discussion day, so that the link can be posted on D2L. Each student will prepare a 10-minute presentation on their chosen article, in which they should evaluate the article and explain how it relates to the topic, and to the article assigned for the lecture for their topic. A Powerpoint to accompany the presentation is not required, but may be useful if the student wishes to show images that are relevant to their reading.

Following the presentations, the discussion leaders will lead a discussion of the readings with the class. Each of the discussion leaders should prepare a list of at least five questions that they will use to prompt questions and comments from their classmates. At the end of the class period, the discussion leaders will submit their lists of questions to the professor, to be evaluated as part of the assignment mark. All other students are encouraged to prepare questions and comments for the discussion as part of their participation mark.

3. ANCIENT CITY PROJECT (75% total)

In this project, you will explore the history of a particular ancient city in world history. Over the course of the semester, you will apply the research questions of each week to a particular ancient city, and you will work to build your final paper over the course of the semester. This assignment will encourage you to gain in-depth knowledge about a particular ancient city, and to think critically and creatively about how to analyze ancient cities using interdisciplinary concepts of urbanism. Please see the Ancient City Project assignment sheet and rubric on D2L for detailed descriptions of each assignment.

The assignment will have three components:

ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY (10%), Due Monday, October 3rd.
The annotated bibliography will consist of a minimum of 10 peer-reviewed scholarly sources on the ancient city that you have chosen for your ancient city project, and that you plan to draw upon for your Midterm Paper and Final Paper. For each source, an annotation must briefly summarize the book, chapter or article, and explain its relevance to the paper.

MIDTERM PAPER (30%), Due Wednesday, November 16\textsuperscript{th}

The Midterm Paper will ask you to explore the history of a particular ancient city in world history. You will apply research questions listed in the weekly topics of the course schedule to the particular ancient city (Weeks 4-9). This assignment will encourage you to gain in-depth knowledge about a particular ancient city, and to think critically and creatively about how to analyze ancient cities using interdisciplinary concepts of urbanism.

FINAL PAPER (35%), Due Wednesday, December 7\textsuperscript{th}

The Final Paper will encourage you to build upon the Midterm Paper, to create a research paper based around your research question. Your Final Paper will ask you to take the ancient city that formed the focus of your Ancient City project, and consider it in a broader scholarly context. You may choose one of several options for your final paper: 1) You may compare your ancient city to at least one other ancient city from the same culture; 2) You may compare your ancient city to at least one other city in the ancient world across a similar dimension of urbanism (e.g. two imperial capitals); or 3) You may analyze particular aspects of urbanism of at least two ancient cities, and what lessons they may have for modern cities.

MAKEUP POLICY

Consistent attendance and participation are necessary to do well in this course. Students may provide supporting documentation for an exemption/special request. This may include, but is not limited to, a prolonged absence from a course where participation is required, a missed course assessment, a deferred examination, or an appeal. Students are encouraged to submit documentation that will support their situation. The decision to provide supporting documentation that best suits the situation is at the discretion of the student. Students cannot be required to provide specific supporting documentation, such as a medical note. Falsification of any supporting documentation will be taken very seriously and may result in disciplinary action through the Academic Discipline regulations or the Student Non-Academic Misconduct policy.

If you fall ill with COVID19 or another serious contagious illness, please follow all university and AHS guidelines with regard to isolation and testing recommendations: https://www.alberta.ca/isolation.aspx. Please do not attend in-person classes until your recommended isolation period is complete, and follow any masking recommendations. Please contact Dr. Paris by email to report the situation. Deferred exams/assignments, make-up activities and/or grade redistribution will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Participation: Participation in discussions will be assessed on a daily basis. Each student is typically allowed one absence without penalty.

Discussion Leader: Students should choose their Discussion Leader assignment dates carefully to avoid conflicts with foreseen scheduling issues resulting from university athletic competitions, religious observances, assignments and exams for other courses, etc. If there are ongoing emergency circumstances that result in missing their Discussion Leader class meeting, the student should notify Dr. Paris within 48 hours. Please be prepared to explain the circumstances and/or provide documentation (see above). Students who miss their presentation date will be given an opportunity to make up their Discussion Leader assignment during the last course meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 7\textsuperscript{th}. If an exemption is granted, the student will be able to make up the assignment with no late penalty. If the absence does
Ancient City Project (Annotated bibliography, Midterm Paper, and the Final Paper): As it is possible to turn in written assignments prior to the due date, foreseen schedule conflicts resulting from university athletic competitions, religious observances, etc. must be arranged individually with the professor in advance. If there are ongoing medical/emergency circumstances that result in a late assignment, please notify Dr. Paris within 48 hours. Please be prepared to explain the circumstances and/or provide documentation (see above). If the situation does not meet the criteria for medical/emergency circumstances, late submissions will be assessed a 5% penalty per day.

REAPPRAISAL OF STUDENT WORK

There are standardized policies on both reappraisal of term work and of final grades. Please refer to them here:

Reappraisal of Graded Term Work: http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html
Reappraisal of Final Grade: http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-3.html

COURSE SCHEDULE

Students should do all readings and assignments during the week in which they are assigned.

**Note that the topics and readings are subject to change at any time at the professor’s discretion.

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<th>DUE DATE</th>
<th>TOPICS AND READINGS</th>
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<td>W, Sept. 7</td>
<td><strong>Topic: Introduction to the course</strong></td>
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<td>Week 2</td>
<td>M, Sept. 12</td>
<td><strong>Topic: What is a city? (Lecture)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Read: ECCP Chapter 1 (Yoffee and Terrenato)</td>
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<td>W, Sept. 21</td>
<td><strong>Topic: What methods can we use to learn about ancient cities? (Discussion)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Read: Blakeslee, Donald. 2018. The Miguel Map revisited. Plains Anthropologist 63:67-84. (D2L)</td>
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### Week 5

**W, Sept. 28**

**Topic:** When did the first cities emerge? (Discussion)


- Childe, V. Gordon. 1957 Civilization, cities, and towns. Antiquity 31(121): 36-38. (D2L)

**M, Oct. 3**

**Topic:** How did cities bring ancient communities together? (Lecture)

Read: ECCP Chapter 5

**ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY DUE on D2L at 11:59 pm**

**W, Oct. 5**

**Topic:** How did cities bring ancient communities together? (Discussion)

Read (PICK 2): ECCP Chapter 2, ECCP Chapter 3, ECCP Chapter 4, Inomata 2006.


**M, Oct. 10**

**THANKSGIVING DAY—No class**

**W, Oct. 12**

**Topic:** What is the relationship between ancient cities and the development of information technologies? (Lecture)

Read: ECCP Chapter 10

**Week 6**

**W, Oct. 19**

**Topic:** How did political relationships and the distribution of power shape ancient cities? (Lecture)

Read: ECCP Chapter 18

**Week 7**

**M, Oct. 17**

**Topic:** What is the relationship between ancient cities and the development of information technologies? (Discussion)

Read (PICK 2): ECCP Chapter 6, ECCP Chapter 7, ECCP Chapter 8, ECCP 9, Christian 2000


**W, Oct. 19**

**Topic:** How did political relationships and the distribution of power shape ancient cities? (Lecture)

Read: ECCP Chapter 18

**Week 8**

**M, Oct. 24**

**Topic:** How did political relationships and the distribution of power shape ancient cities? (Discussion)

Read (PICK 2): ECCP Chapter 16, ECCP Chapter 17, Janusek 2004


**W, Oct. 26**

**Topic:** How did built environments shape public and private life in ancient cities? (Lecture)

| Week 9 | M, Oct. 31 | **Topic:** How did built environments shape public and private life in ancient cities? (Discussion)  
Read (PICK 2): Smith 2010, Carter 2019, Lehner 2019  
| W, Nov. 2 | How did ancient people think about the cities they lived in? (Lecture)  
Read: ECCP Chapter 19 |
| Week 10 | M, Nov. 7 | TERM BREAK |
| W, Nov. 9 | TERM BREAK |
| Week 11 | M, Nov. 14 | How did ancient people think about the cities they lived in? (Discussion)  
Read (PICK 2): ECCP Chapter, 20 ECCP Chapter 21, ECCP Chapter 22 |
| W, Nov. 16 | **Topic:** What were cities like in ancient empires? (Lecture)  
Read: ECCP Chapter 26  
MIDTERM PAPER DUE on D2L at 11:59 pm |
| Week 12 | M, Nov. 21 | **Topic:** What were cities like in ancient empires? (Discussion)  
Read (PICK 2): ECCP Chapter 23, ECCP Chapter 24, ECCP Chapter 25 |
| W, Nov. 23 | **Topic:** How do ancient and modern cities connect through cultural heritage and tourism? (Lecture)  
Read: Williams, Tim. 2014. Archaeology: reading the city through time. In Reconnecting the City: The Historic Urban Landscape Approach and the Future of Urban Heritage, 17-45. (D2L) |
| Week 13 | M, Nov. 28 | **Topic:** How do ancient and modern cities connect through cultural heritage and tourism? (Discussion)  
| W, Nov. 30 | **Topic:** What lessons do ancient cities have for modern cities? (Lecture)  
Read: ECCP Chapter 27 |
| Week 14 | M, Dec. 5 | **Topic:** What lessons do ancient cities have for modern cities? (Discussion)  
Read (PICK 2): Mrozowski 2012, Smith 2012, Barthal and Isendhal 2013 |


W, Dec. 7

Topic: Final Discussion
Read: TBA

FINAL PAPER DUE on D2L at 11:59 pm

COURSE POLICIES

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE
➢ Please make this class a scheduling priority. It is important to arrive on time. Please only leave class before the end of the period if there is an emergency, in which case, please notify the instructor as soon as possible.

➢ Treat everyone in the class as a colleague—show respect to both your fellow students and myself, even if you strongly disagree with someone’s opinion. Be friendly, courteous and kind during discussions. Do not talk over or interrupt the instructor or other students.

➢ Silence and stow your phones, and do not use them during class. They are distracting to everyone.

➢ Only use laptops and tablets for note-taking purposes. Using them for other activities is highly distracting. If your laptop or tablet is distracting the instructor or your fellow students, you will be asked to place it on the podium for the remainder of the class period, and you will lose participation points for that day.

➢ You may not make video and audio recordings of lectures and review sessions without the explicit consent of the professor, nor transfer them to another student, whether or not that student is enrolled in the course. Please see the statement on Instructor Intellectual Property below.

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• Wellness and Mental Health Resources
• Student Success Centre
• Student Ombuds Office
• Student Union (SU) Information
• Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points
• Safewalk

IMPORTANT DATES
The last day to drop this course with no “W” notation and still receive a tuition fee refund is Thursday, September 15th, 2022. Last day add/swap a course is Friday, September 16th, 2022. The last day to withdraw from this course is Wednesday, December 7th, 2022.

https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html#fall2017