

# ARCHAEOLOGY AND MATERIAL CULTURE

The Archaeology Minor focuses on the study of human material culture and past human cultural activities for which there exist material remains both above and below the earth's surface. The discipline of archaeology merges methods and techniques for studying past human physical remains derived from the natural and social sciences, such as Anthropology, History, Ancient Studies, Geology, Geography, Environmental Studies, and Chemistry, and includes using the historical record to interpret the meaning of archaeological remains where possible. Students will learn the method and theory behind both invasive, destructive archaeological techniques such as excavation, but also less invasive, non-destructive techniques such as remote sensing, geophysics, and surface survey. Through the Minor, students will learn the method, theory, and techniques for studying past human cultures and societies through the material record and gain some insight into the scientific methods and techniques for the study of the past, learning GIS, statistics, mineralogy, or physical geography. Students may also participate in ongoing archaeological field research or field schools conducted by Saint Mary's professors working in the Maritimes or Europe.

## Program

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) is a well-established, foundational degree and requires the requirements listed below alongside general graduation requirements (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-arts/bachelor-arts/>).

## Minor in Archaeology and Material Culture

A minor in Archaeology and Material Culture consists of at least twenty-four (24) credit hours, twelve (12) of which must be at the 3000 level or above. To obtain a minor students must achieve a minimum grade point average of 2.00 (an average grade of C or better) in the courses of the minor.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
ANTH 1271	Intro to Archaeology	3
or ANCS 1004	Introduction to Archaeological Method and Theory (formerly CLAS 1004)	
<b>Select one of the following:</b>		<b>3</b>
ENVS 1200	Environmental Sustainability	
or GEOL 120	Understanding the Earth	
GEOG 1100	Global Perspectives on Land and Life (Group D)	
GEOG 1200	People, Place and Environment (Group D)	
<b>Select 12 credit hours in Archaeology courses from the following list:</b>		<b>12</b>
ANTH 2271	Archaeology of the Franklin Expedition: Survey	
ANTH 2273	Who Owns the Past?	
ANTH 2282	Introducing Forensic Anthropology	
ANTH 3275	Archaeological Remote Sensing	
ANTH 3371	Prehistory of Canada	
ANTH 3373	Fieldwork in Archaeology	
ANTH 3374	Archaeology Laboratory	
ANTH 3376	Archaeology of Death	
ANTH 3377	Urban Archaeology	

ANTH 3379	The Archaeology of Acadia
ANTH 3378	Landscape Archaeology
ANTH 3467	Cultural Resource Management (CRM) Archaeology
ANTH 3471	Forensic Skeletal Identification
ANTH 3571	Archaeological Mysteries
ANTH 3572	Archaeology of Empire
ANTH 3573	Archaeology of Halifax
ANTH 3574	Public Archaeology
ANTH 3701	Forensic Archaeology Field School
ANTH 4378	Advanced Landscape Archaeology
ANTH 4462	Method and Theory in Historical Archaeology
ANTH 4464	Advanced Fieldwork in Archaeology
ANTH 4466	Researching Halifax Heritage
ANTH 4465	Advanced Archaeology Laboratory
ANCS 1003	Material Culture from Prehistory to the Middle Ages (formerly CLAS 1003)
ANCS 2000	Legacies: The Archaeology of Ancient Greece (formerly CLAS 2000)
ANCS 2100	Secrets of the Dead: Roman Archaeology (formerly CLAS 2100)
ANCS 2450	The 'Cradle of Civilization': The Ancient Near East (formerly CLAS 2450)
ANCS 2455	Ancient Empires (formerly CLAS 2455)
ANCS 2600	Sport and Leisure in the Ancient World
ANCS 3000	Topics in Greek Art and Archaeology (formerly CLAS 3000)
ANCS 3100	Topics in Roman Archaeology (formerly CLAS 3100)
ANCS 3317	Greek Sanctuaries (formerly CLAS 3317)
ANCS 3318	Classical Archaeology (formerly CLAS 3318)
ANCS 3319	Pompeii (formerly CLAS 3319)
ANCS 3320	Hellenistic Art and Culture (formerly CLAS 3320)
ANCS 3400	Rome's Eternal Glory: The Age of Augustus (formerly CLAS 3400)
ANCS 3409	On the Edge of Empire: Roman Britain and the Western Provinces (formerly CLAS 3409)
ANCS 3420	International Relations Eastern Mediterranean Style (formerly CLAS 3420)
ANCS 3421	Identity and Mobility in the Western Mediterranean
ANCS 3505	Museum Studies (formerly CLAS 3505)
ANCS 3506	Cultural Property Protection in a Global World
ANCS 3610	Field Study in Archaeology (formerly CLAS 3610)
ANCS 3611	Ancient Material Culture (formerly CLAS 3611)
ANCS 3612	Ancient Cities and Sanctuaries (formerly CLAS 3612)
ANCS 4407	Greek Art, Life and Politics (formerly CLAS 4407)
ANCS 4600	Artifacts and Artifice in Classical Archaeology (formerly CLAS 4600)
ANCS 4610	Advanced Field Study in Archaeology (formerly CLAS 4610)
ANCS 4611	Advanced Material Culture (formerly CLAS 4611)

**Select six (6) credit hours in Earth and Environmental Sciences from the following list: 6**

ENVS 2200	Energy, Resources, and Pollution
GEOG 2306	Geospatial Concepts (Group C)
GEOG 2310	Geography of Canada (Group D)
GEOG 2312	Urban Geography (Group A)
GEOG 2313	Geomorphology (Group B)
GEOG 2325	Sedimentation and Stratigraphy (Group B)
GEOG 2333	Biogeography (Group B)
GEOG 2341	Economic Geography (Group A)
GEOG 2386	Introduction to Mapping and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) (Group C)
GEOG 3213	Applied Geomorphology (Group B)
GEOG 3302	The Built Environment (Group A)
GEOG 3340	Geography of Nova Scotia (Group D)
GEOG 3380	Climate Change: Impacts, Vulnerability and Adaptation (Group D)
GEOG 3386	Concepts in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Analysis (Group C)
GEOG 4412	Urban History and Preservation (Group A)
GEOL 2301	Mineralogy
GEOL 2302	Optical and Analytical Mineralogy
GEOL 2325	Sedimentation and Stratigraphy or GEOG 232 Sedimentation and Stratigraphy (Group B)
GEOL 2373	Geomorphology
HIST 2205	Introduction to Art History

**Total Credit Hours**

**24**