

WONDERS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD: GREAT DISCOVERIES IN ARCHAEOLOGY

Class Meetings:

- Tuesdays, Periods 8-9: 3:00-4:55 pm, 2342 Turlington Hall
- Thursdays, Period 9: 4:05—4:55 pm, 2346 Turlington Hall

Office Hours and Communication

- Office hours: B368 Turlington Hall, Tuesday 11:45 am -12:45 pm; Thursday 3-4 pm (or by appointment).
- Telephone: Office: (352) 870-9445
- E-mail: sbrandt@ufl.edu (but you are to use your CANVAS email address for course communication)
- Announcements, Readings, Lectures, Study Guides, etc. will be uploaded regularly to E-Learning (CANVAS)

Required Readings: Undergraduates and Graduates

- Required Textbooks:
 - Bahn, P. (ed.) 2020 *Incredible Archaeology*. Wash DC: Smithsonian Press
 - Kelly R. *The Fifth Beginning*. Berkeley: University of California Press
- Additional Weekly Readings.

Grading:

- **Two Non-Cumulative Exams of MC/Short Essays each worth 30 points = 60 points**
- **Class PPT Presentation on a Topic or Site of your Own Choice - 30 points**
- **Class Participation – 10 points**
 - Contribute regularly (and thoughtfully) to discussions. I expect all of you to receive the full 10 points! If you think you might have difficulty speaking in class, please discuss this with me asap.

Final Grade Point Distribution: Discussion (50) + Assignments (150) + Paper (100) =300 Total Points

A	90-100
B+	86-89
B	80-85
C+	76-79
C	70-75
D+	66-69
D	60-65
E	<60

*There may be the opportunity of obtaining some bonus points (to be added to your total) by attending lectures or events around campus and providing a one page summary. I will notify you of this as far in advance as possible.

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory. Failure to attend lectures without an official excuse (see below) will result in the loss of points, as follows:

- 1 missed no points subtracted from total points
- 2 missed 10 points subtracted from total points
- 3rd missed 20 points subtracted from total points
- 4th missed **Automatic E for the course**

Official UF, Medical Or Religious Absences And Make-Up Exams

Except for medical/disability reasons, religious reasons or official university business, there will be **no** makeup papers or excused absences. A letter signed by a physician or university official must be obtained **before** an absence excused. If you have a disability that could affect your class performance or attendance, or if you need extra assistance of some kind, please discuss this with the professor during the first week of class.

Cheating

Needless to say, cheating in any way will not be tolerated and will result in a 0 and/or possible dismissal from the course.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF TOPICS (READINGS ARE IN CANVAS MODULES)

Week 1 T 1/12 TH 1/14	Introductory Remarks and Class Requirements The Wondrous World of Archaeology – History; Basic Concepts; Major Paradigms, Inventions, Revolutions and Beginnings
Week 2 T 1/19 TH 1/21	<i>Paradigm 1: Early Hominins and the Invention of Technology and “Proto-Culture”</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory Remarks Lomekwi 3, Kenya: The World’s Oldest Archaeological Site The Leakeys and Olduvai Gorge, Tanzania
Week 3 T 1/26 TH 1/28	<i>Paradigm 2: The Evolution of Culture and the Establishment of a Hunter-Gatherer Lifeways</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory Remarks Konso, Ethiopia and Olorgesailie, Kenya: Big Brains, Big Tools and Mental Templates Wonderwork Cave, South Africa and Zhoukoudian, China: Quest for Fire and Lost Fossils
Week 4 T 2/2 TH 2/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory Remarks Shanidar, Iraq, Neanderthal Burials and Cave Bear Cults: The Beginnings of Religion Blombos Cave and Sibidu Rockshelter, South Africa: “Modern” Humans and “Modern Culture”
Week 5 T 2/9 TH 2/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory Remarks Mochena Borago, Ethiopia and Kakadu, Australia: The Great Diaspora, Rock Art and the Dreamtime Altamira, Spain and Lascaux and Chauvet Caves, France: Cognition, Language and Ice Age Art
Week 6 T 2/16 TH 2/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory Remarks Mezherich, Ukraine: A House is not a Cave! Living in outdoor structures Dolni Vestonice, Czech Republic: The World’s earliest permanently settled village
Week 7 T 2/23 TH 2/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory Remarks Nataruk, Kenya: The Earliest Evidence of War
Week 8 T 3/2 TH 3/4	First Exam

	<p>Monte Verde, Chile: Hunter-Gatherers Enter the New World</p> <p>Clovis and Folsom: Earliest Hunter-Gatherers in North America</p>
<p>Week 9 T 3/9 TH 3/11</p>	<p><i>Paradigm 3: The Neolithic Revolution: Hunter/Gatherers Start to produce their own Food!</i></p> <p>Introductory Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jericho, Palestine: And the Walls Came Tumbling Down! Megalithic Structures of Malta: Temples Galore Otzi the Iceman!
<p>Wk 10 T 3/16 TH 3/18</p>	<p>Introductory Remarks</p> <p>The Saharan Desert: Rock Art of Neolithic Pastoralists</p> <p>West Lake Turkana, Kenya: Pastoralist Cemeteries and Pillars</p>
<p>Wk 11 T 3/23 TH 3/25</p>	<p><i>Paradigm 4: The Rise and Fall of Civilizations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory Remarks Catalhoyuk, Turkey: Living in Towns Sumer (Ur and Babyon), Iraq: the World's First Civilization
<p>Wk 12 T 3/30 TH 4/1</p>	<p>Ancient Egypt, China and Ethiopia</p>
<p>Wk 13 T 4/6 TH 4/8</p>	<p>Peruvian, Amazonian and Mesoamerican Civilizations</p>
<p>Wk 14 T 4/13 Th 4/15</p>	<p>Cahokia, Illinois: North America's Great Civilization</p> <p><u>Student Presentations</u></p>
<p>Wk 15 T 4/20</p>	<p>Second Exam</p>