

COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE

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A. Identification:

1. Subject Area: Anthropology (ANT)
2. Course Number: 298
3. Course Title: Archeology in the West
4. Credit Hours: 1
5. Course Description: This course is a brief overview of Archeology in the American West. We will look at the Paleo (13,000 BP) through the Historic Period (100 BP) in the US West. We will examine the prehistory of the region by looking at an overview of archeological excavations in the West. The focus will be the archeological sites and methodologies used in excavation. The focus is on excavations and each night we look at a different set of sites excavated in the West (including sites in Hawaii and on the Colorado Plateau).

B. Course Goals: To provide an appreciation and general knowledge base of Prehistoric and Historic Cultural Traditions in the North American West (and Hawaii).

C. Course Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. identify the major cultural traditions in the American West prior to 1900;
2. see things from multiple perspectives;
3. and identify major Prehistoric Periods in the West.

D. Course Outcomes Assessment will include course grades determined by the instructor as outlined in the course syllabus.

E. Course Content will include:

1. Paleo Sites and Megafauna
2. The Desert Archaic
3. The Emergence of Farmers
4. The Formative Period
5. The Hawaiian Formative Period
6. Proto-historic Sites in the West
7. Forts and Stage Stations
8. Mines, Homesteads and Ranches