Humanities Seminars Program
ANCESTRAL HOPI ARCHEOLOGY

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Course Description
The Hopi, a tribe that has maintained many of its ancient practices while deftly navigating the dramatic changes of the last 500 years, are among the world’s most fascinating and most studied peoples. This seminar will introduce participants to the archaeology, anthropology, and history of the Hopi people, answer questions, and dispel myths.

We will explore three related topics: the Hopi people as an ethnolinguistic community composed of a number of different social groups with different origins and disparate histories; Hopi claims of affiliation with many different archaeological cultures (e.g., Anasazi, Mogollon, Hohokam); and correlations between archaeological evidence of ancient events and processes in the US Southwest and Hopi oral accounts of their past. Migration is the central theme of Hopi oral tradition and archaeological evidence lends strong support to the notion that Hopi ancestors migrated through many parts of the US Southwest and were key players in large-scale social transformations.

Required Text:

Other readings referenced in this syllabus will be uploaded to Box@UA and registered students will receive the link via email before the course begins.

Schedule
Week 1 (9 May 2018, 9:00-11:00 am)
Hopi culture (origins, socio-political organization, religion, economy) and aboriginal territory.

Required Readings
Brew 1979
Connelly 1979
Whiteley 1988
Zedeño 1997
Week 2 (16 May 2018, 9:00-11:00 am)
Hopi concepts of their ancestors and archaeological units of analysis (archaeological cultures).

Required Readings
Dongoske et al. 1997
Lyons 2003, Chapters 2 and 5

Recommended Readings
Courlander 1992
McGregor 1943

Week 3 (23 May 2018, 9:00-11:00 am)
First case study in Ancestral Hopi archaeology: the Hopi Mesas, the Homol’ovi Settlement Cluster (near present-day Winslow, Arizona), and the rise of katsina ceremonialism.

Required Readings
Adams et al. 2004
Elliott 1995
Lyons 2003, Chapter 3

Recommended Readings
Adams 1991
Adams 2002

Week 4 (30 May 2018, 9:00-11:00 am)
Second case study in Ancestral Hopi archaeology: the depopulation of the western Four Corners Region and the role of Hopi ancestors in the origin and spread of the Salado Phenomenon.

Required Readings
Lyons 2003 Chapters 1 and 4
Lyons 2015
Lyons and Lindsay 2006

Recommended Readings
Lyons and Clark 2012

List of Required Readings
Adams, E. Charles, Vincent M. LaMotta, and Kurt Dongoske

Brew, John O.

Connelly, John C.

Dongoske, Kurt E., Michael Yeatts, Roger Anyon, and T. J. Ferguson
Elliott, Melinda
- Excerpt: Chapter 7 (pp. 162-187, 226-227)

Lyons, Patrick D.

Lyons, Patrick D., and Alexander J. Lindsay, Jr.

Whiteley, Peter M.
- Excerpt: Chapter 3 (pp. 44-70, 318-319)

Zedeño, María Nieves

List of Recommended Readings

Adams, E. Charles

Courlander, Harold

Lyons, Patrick D., and Jeffery J. Clark

McGregor, John C.