

***Pueblos and their Ancestors: 4,000 Years Persevering in the Four Corners of the U.S. Southwest***  
*February 3, 10, 17, 24, and March 3, 2021, 10 AM - Noon,*

**Course Description:** Many of us are familiar with and may have even visited the seemingly mystical places in the Four Corners of the U.S. Southwest on the Colorado Plateau including Mesa Verde, Chaco Canyon, Canyon de Chelly, and many more. These were the long-ago homes of people we know as Pueblo, who began farming in the region 4000 years ago. Their descendants – the Hopi, Zuni, Acoma, and Rio Grande Pueblos – retain strong spiritual connections to these places told through oral histories passed through generations. Together we will explore what made these places special then and even today, how did people survive and prosper in this harsh region, why did they leave these places, where did they go, and what can Pueblo people today tell us about their ancestors?

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Date	Topic	Readings*
Feb 3 first hour	Where is the 4 Corners and Colorado Plateau? Pueblo Chronology	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapters 1 & 3
Feb 3 second hour	Present and Past Environments: Why it matters	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 2 Lowe & Brown, Dean et al.
Feb 10 first hour	Pueblo Origins and the Introduction of Maize	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 5 Lipe 1994, Hays-Gilpin & Hill
Feb 10 second hour	Early Agriculturalists – why choose farming?	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 6 Smiley, Lipe 1993
Feb 17 first hour	Rise of Village Life and Expansion – Early Forms of Village Organization	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 6 Young & Gilpin, Wilshusen
Feb 17 second hour	Growth and Integration – the Curious Case of Chaco Canyon	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 7 Mills, Kantner
Feb 24 first hour	Collapse and Reorganization – Mesa Verde and migration; Pueblos in S. Az	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapters 7 & 8 Anthony, Varien, Lyons
Feb 25 second hour	Ritual and Ceremonialism – Katsinas, the Southwest Cult, and the Flower World	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 9 Chamberlin, Pauketat, Adams & LaMotta
Mar 3 first hour	Complexity and Consolidation – Big Towns, Big Problems	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 9 Adams & Duff, Spielmann
Mar 3 second hour	Spanish Contact and the Columbian Exchange. Whose past is it? – indigenous archaeology	Cordell & McBrinn, Chapter 10 Schroeder, Adams

\*Primary Text: *Archaeology of the Southwest*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition (2012) by Linda S. Cordell and Maxine E. McBrinn. Left Coast Press, Walnut Creek, CA

For this course, please read from the primary text and as much of the supplemental readings as you can.