Minnesota State University Moorhead

ANTH 315: North American Archaeology

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites:
ANTH 115 - Introduction to Archaeology

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

An overview of the prehistory of North America from the end of the Ice Age.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 06/01/1995 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Sequence of North America native occupation based on regional divisions
2. Interpretation of sequence based on material culture
3. Identification of time depth for native patterns identified during the Historic period.
4. How archaeologists deal with material culture from the past.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Appreciation for the appropriate methods to gather, analyze and interpret archaeological data.
2. Understanding of the diverse paths Native American societies travelled from the Ice Age to the Time of Contact.
3. Explode myths about Native Americans.
4. Understand the interplay among environment, technology and history to illustrate how some of the differences among native societies arose from this interaction.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted