

Minnesota State University Moorhead

ANTH 451: Archaeology Lab

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 0

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

Laboratory training in archaeology including inventory, treatment and curation of collections, basic laboratory drawing, photography, data entry and reporting. Students will work on collections from regional archaeological sites.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 09/22/2011 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Lab study of artifacts and ecofacts, including lithics, ceramics, bone and plant remains
2. Lab photography and drawing
3. Curation and cataloging

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. How to set up a catalog using accession numbers and lot recording.
2. Know what to do with a collection of lithic artifacts.
3. Know what to do with a collection of ceramic artifacts.
4. Understand how to prepare a simple record of animal bone from archaeological sites.
5. Understand how to process flotation samples for removing plant remains.
6. Be able to prepare a simple archaeological report.

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

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted