

Archaeology Associate of Arts Emphasis (AA)

60 Credits

Archaeology explores the vanished cultures of the past through recovery and scientific analysis of physical evidence found at ancient sites. Our courses foster a bio-cultural understanding of societies; from the materially simple to complex cultures, and from the distant past to historic times.

The Associate of Arts with Emphasis in Archaeology provides a solid foundation for an undergraduate major or for study in related disciplines, and it introduces tools and hands-on skills for participating in field research and cultural resource management.

Required Courses

Incorporate the following Required Courses into the General Education/Minnesota Transfer Curriculum or Additional Course Requirements sections below.

ANTH 1100	Introduction to Anthropology -What it Means to be Human	4 cr
ANTH 1230	Archaeology - Prehistory and Humanity's Cultural Origins	4 cr
ANTH 1235	Field Archeology - Methods of Exploring the Past	3 cr
ANTH 1236	Archaeology of Minnesota - Prehistoric Native Cultures	3 cr

Complete at least one of the following three courses:

GEOL 1110	Environmental Geology And	3 cr
GEOL 1111	Environmental Geology Laboratory	1 cr
GEOL 1101	The Dynamic Earth	4 cr
GEOG 1101	Earth's Natural Environments	4 cr

Note: GEOL 1110 must be taken with its lab, GEOL 1111 for a total of 4 credits.

General Education/Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) – 40 Credits

*See MnTC Curriculum for specific course options

Goal 1: Communication – 2 Courses

ENG 1101	College Writing	4 cr
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Complete one of the following five courses:

COMM 1100	Introduction to Communication	3 cr
COMM 1101	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3 cr
COMM 1111	Interpersonal Communication	3 cr
COMM 1121	Small Group Communication	3 cr
COMM 1421	Strategic Media Communication	3 cr

Goal 2: Critical Thinking

(met by completion of all 40 credits of the MnTC)

Goal 3: Natural Sciences – 2 Courses

(Select from two different departments; at least one must include a lab)

Course #1 - met by taking required GEOL or GEOG course

Course #2 _____

Goal 4: Mathematical/Logical Reasoning – 1 Course

Course _____

Goal 5: History and Social/Behavioral Sciences 2 Courses

(Select from two different departments)

Course #1 – met by taking required ANTH courses

Course #2 _____

Goal 6: Humanities and Fine Arts 2 Courses

(Select from two different departments)

Course #1 _____

Course #2 _____

Goal 7: Human Diversity, Race, Power, and Justice in the United States – 1 Course

Course – met by taking required ANTH courses

Goal 8: Global Perspective – 1 Course

Course _____

(can be met by taking ANTH 1127)

Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility – 1 Course

Course - met by taking required ANTH courses

Goal 10: People and The Environment – 1 Course

Course - met by taking required ANTH courses

Additional Course Requirements – 20 Credits

- One Health (HLTH) course.
- One Exercise Science (EXSC) course.
- Elective credits – additional course(s) numbered 1000 and above, if needed to complete the 60-credit requirement.

Other Degree Requirements

- Earn a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 for college-level coursework (courses numbered 1000 and above) completed at Normandale.
- Earn a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in the MnTC.
- Earn a minimum of 15 college-level credits at Normandale.