

课程详述

COURSE SPECIFICATION

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The course information as follows may be subject to change, either during the session because of unforeseen circumstances, or following review of the course at the end of the session. Queries about the course should be directed to the course instructor.

1.	课程名称 Course Title	古代文明的兴衰 The Rise and Fall of Ancient Civilizations						
2.	授课院系 Originating Department	社会科学中心 Center for Social Sciences						
3.	课程编号 Course Code	SS011						
4.	课程学分 Credit Value	2						
5.	课 程 类别 Course Type	通识选修课程 General Education (GE) Elective Courses						
6.	授课学期 Semester	春季 Spring						
7.	授课语言 Teaching Language	英文 English						
8.	授课教师、所属学系、联系方式(如属团队授课,请列明其他授课教师) Instructor(s), Affiliation& Contact (For team teaching, please list all instructors)	Zhichun JING 荆志淳, of Science and 加拿大英属哥伦比亚大学 Canada Research Chair in Pacific Asia Archaeology Department of Anthropology,University of British Columbia 南方科技大学社会科学中心访问教授 Visiting professor at Center for Social Sciences,SUSTech Tel:13718791150 Email:jing.zhichun@gmail.com						
9.	实验员/助教、所属学系、联系 方式 Tutor/TA(s), Contact	无 NA						
10.	选课人数限额(可不填) Maximum Enrolment (Optional)	80						
	授课方式 Delivery Method	讲授 Lectures		实验/实习 Lab/Practical	其它(请具体注明) Other(Please specify)	总学时 Total		
	学时数 Credit Hours	32				32		



教学大纲及教学日历 SYLLABUS

15. 教学目标 Course Objectives

The first civilizations developed independently from farming villages in several areas across the world, marking a fundamental transformation in human history. In this course, we will investigate the rise and fall of world's earliest civilizations. Drawing mainly on the archaeological inquiry, this course offers a comparative examination of case studies of early civilization: Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus Valley, China, and Mesoamerica. Among key issues to be discussed are urbanism, socio-political organization, trade, craft production, human sacrifice, violence, religion, cosmology, collapse and regeneration. The goal of the class is to provide students with an understanding of the nature of the world's first civilizations, and their importance and relevance to the world we live today.

文明的出现是人类历史长河中最重要的社会变革。本课程依据最新的考古发现和研究,讲解世界范围内独立发展起来的早期文明之兴衰,通过对美索不达米亚、古埃及、印度河、中国和中美洲早期文明的比较分析,讨论古代文明研究的一些核心问题,包括城市化、社会政治组织、手工业生产、贸易、祭祀、暴力、宗教、宇宙观、社会崩溃与重组。本课程旨在帮助学生理解世界早期文明的性质及其在当今社会发展中的重要地位。

16. 预达学习成果 Learning Outcomes

- 1. Students will become acquainted with basic concepts, diverse models and perspectives to define and explore research questions in the study of ancient civilizations.
- 2. Students will develop analytical skills to examine archaeological data, and to evaluate interacting factors contributing to the emergence, development, and decline of early civilizations.
- 3. Students are expected to build up a fundamental understanding and deep appreciation of diverse early civilizations developed across the world.
- 17. 课程内容及教学日历(如授课语言以英文为主,则课程内容介绍可以用英文;如团队教学或模块教学,教学日历须注明 主讲人)

Course Contents (in Parts/Chapters/Sections/Weeks. Please notify name of instructor for course section(s), if this is a team teaching or module course.)



The course is primarily in form of lectures, supplemented with selected documentaries, primarily those authoritative and accessible ones produced by PBS NOVA and BBC Horizon programs. Students are required to attend all the lectures and to actively contribute to the learning and discussion of major subjects to be discussed in the class. A research essay is required for this class; students must select one of case studies discussed in this class and conduct an in-depth research on one of the topics examined in the class.

Week 1. The Discovery of "Civilizations";

Week 2. Theories of Cities, States, and Civilizations;

Week 3. The origins of civilization;

Weeks 4 and 5. Ancient Mesopotamia;

Weeks 6 and 7. Ancient Egypt;

Weeks 8 and 9. The Indus Valley;

Weeks 10 and 11. Ancient China;

Weeks 12 and 13. Ancient Mesoamerica;

Week 14. The spread of civilization;

Week 15. The collapse of civilization;

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Week 16. The clash of civilizations - contemporary thoughts

18. 教材及其它参考资料 Textbook and Supplementary Readings

Scarre, C. and Fagan, B. M. (2016). Ancient Civilizations (4th edition). London and New York: Routledge. Other supplementary readings.

课程评估 ASSESSMENT

· 评估形式 Type of Assessment	评估时间 Time	占考试总成绩百分比 % of final score	违纪处罚 Penalty	备注 Notes
出勤 Attendance		20%		
课堂表现 Class Performance	N	30%	ech	Southern University of Science and Technology
小测验 Quiz				
课程项目 Projects		50%		
平时作业				
Assignments				
期中考试 Mid-Term Test				
期末考试 Final Exam				
期末报告 Final Presentation				
其它(可根据需要 改写以上评估方 式)Others (The above may be modified as necessary)				

20. 记分方式 GRADING SYSTEM

☑ A. 十三级等级制 Letter Grading



□ B. 二级记分制(通过/不通过) Pass/Fail Grading

课程审批 REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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21.	本课程设置已经过以下责任人/委员会审议通过 This Course has been approved by the following person or committee of authority							

