

2019 Short Course

COMMUNITY ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL



Taught in a collaboration between Aboriginal Elders and Flinders University staff, this short course will teach participants how to undertake ethical and culturally sensitive research with Aboriginal peoples.

Course Content

This short course will teach participants how to undertake ethical and culturally sensitive archaeological research, particularly focussed on the aspirations, needs and interests of Aboriginal people living in remote communities. The skills that are taught vary from year to year according to the needs of the community. Content may include:

- Rock art recording
- Site recording
- Stone artefact recording
- Collecting oral histories
- Recording graveyards

The themes for this short course are:

- Indigenous archaeology and social landscapes
- Working collaboratively with Aboriginal peoples
- Community archaeology

Under the guidance of Aboriginal Elders, this field school provides a unique opportunity for learning and personal growth in the context of sharing daily life with Indigenous Australians. Participants must adhere to the same rules of conduct as set forth in the Codes of Ethics of the Australian Archaeological Association and the World Archaeological Congress. This close collaboration with Elders will provide participants with a unique opportunity to learn about the heritage and culture of a unique Aboriginal community.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this short course, participants will have:

- Learned the practical and personal skills necessary to conduct field research with Aboriginal people
- Acquired skills in recording Indigenous sites

When it's run

July 6, 2019 (exact dates TBC closer to commencement)

Cost

\$3,243 (inc. GST)

International: \$4,460 (inc. GST) for international participants

Registration

www.flinders.edu.au/engage/community/short-courses

Mode of delivery

Face -to-face, Barunga,
Northern Territory

- Obtained experience in developing field work budgets
- Obtained a practical awareness of the ethical dimensions of archaeological research
- Acquired a greater understanding of Aboriginal relationships to the land

Who should attend?

This course is applicable to all people who wish to learn about Aboriginal culture from Aboriginal people, on Aboriginal lands.

Assessment

Successful completion of the Community Archaeology Field School comprises of a field report (40%), field journal (20%), field test (10%), budget (10%) and teamwork (20%).

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure the information in this publication is accurate at the time of publication. Information regarding this course, the course fees, and the content is subject to change. Please refer to our website for up-to-date information. Thank you.

Credit

Successful completion of this course is equivalent to a Flinders University 4.5 unit topic. All participants will receive a Certificate of Achievement which records this, which participants should be able to use to negotiate credit with another institution if required.

Program Facilitator

Professor Claire Smith is an eminent archaeologist. She was President of the World Archaeologist for ten years (2003-2014), and is the Editor of the Encyclopedia of Global Archaeology. Professor Smith has worked on Jawoyn lands in the Northern Territory annually since 1990 and with the Ngadjuri people since 1998.

Further Information

Please contact Professor Claire Smith for any further information via email claire.smith@flinders.edu.au.