

Art and Archaeology of Ancient Nubia

CLAR 3998.01

TR 3:50-5:20 pm

Faculty

COURSE DESCRIPTION/PRINCIPAL TOPICS

CLAR 3998.01 examines the development of the art and architecture of the cultures of ancient Nubia. This class will reveal one of the most dynamic and innovative civilizations of the ancient world, and will highlight its relationship with Egypt and how both civilizations influenced each other. It will cover the period from the earliest inhabitants of the Nile Valley (Paleolithic through Neolithic and domestication of plants and animals), and will continue until the advent of Christianity.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of the semester students will:

- know the most important archaeological sites and monuments,
- understand how archaeology provides historical and cultural background for the study of ancient Nubia.
- be familiar with the ideological aspects expressed in images as well as monumental architecture.
- orally present research results.

Such set of critical thinking skills will be applicable to other periods and geographical areas of the ancient world.

PREREQUISITES: There are no prerequisites for this course.

REQUIRED TEXTS

TO BE DEFINED.

Women in the Ancient Near East

CLAR 3998.02

TR 6:10-7:35 pm

Faculty

COURSE DESCRIPTION/PRINCIPAL TOPICS

CLAR 3998.02 explores the role and function of women in the Ancient Near East through the study of texts, artifacts, art and images from the Ancient Near East (Mesopotamia, Anatolia and the Levant).

Subjects will include gender (and gender constructions), sexuality, as well as social, political and religious roles of women in the Ancient Near East.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of the semester students will:

- know the most important historical figures,
- understand how archaeology and primary sources provides historical and cultural background for the study of ancient women.
- be familiar with the ideological aspects expressed in images.
- orally present research results.

Such set of critical thinking skills will be applicable to other periods and geographical areas of the ancient world.

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