

# **COURSE OUTLINE**

**ARCV 140** 

# ARCHIVES AND COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT

45 HOURS 3 CREDITS

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APPLIED ARTS DIVISION ARCV 140 3 Credit Course Winter 2018

# ARCHIVES AND COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT (Fuze, In Person, and Online)

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**DATES:** Jan 9 to April 25, 2018

## **COURSE CALENDAR DESCRIPTION**

In this course, students will become acquainted with basic archival theory and archaeological and museum collections management principles. An introductory study of the theory and practice of acquiring, appraising and accessioning archival records is begun. Students are also introduced to some basic records management techniques. ARCV 140 is a core course in the certificate of Heritage and Culture.

# **PREREQUISITES**

None.

# **EQUIVALENCY OR TRANSFERABILITY**

AU Herm 322 (3)	SFU Arch 2xx (3)	TRU SSEL 1xx0 (3)
TRU-OL Sosc 1xx1 (3)	UFV Libt 270 (3)	UNBC Anth 303 (3)
UVIC Ahvs 100 lev (1.5)	VIU Huma 1st (3)	

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Explain the differences and similarities among archives, museums, cultural centres and historic sites, including the basic processes required in the development and management of these;
- Describe varying aspects of archive, museum and cultural centre policy objectives;
- 3. Describe the means by which archives and museums appraise and process collections;
- 4. Explain the process of basic record-keeping techniques including familiarity with archive and museum forms and databases;
- 5. Identify basic conservation principles;
- 6. Describe the steps required to organize and present archive and museum exhibitions

## **COURSE FORMAT**

This course will be delivered via blended learning. Both classroom time and online learning time will be required. The course will involve a variety of teaching/learning methods, including lectures, guest speakers, on-line activities, journals and discussions forums and the use of a variety of audio-visual tools.

#### **ASSESSMENTS**

# **Classroom Participation**

As a blended learning class, this course requires both classroom and online participation. The classroom portion will be focused on ensuring the students acquire the knowledge and technical skills needed to complete the course activities. Attendance and thoughtful, engaged participation in the classroom portion of this class is worth 10% of the final grade.

# Learning Activity Participation (online)

All students will be expected to actively participate in learning activities (located on the class website). The material coved in the class is cumulative in nature, and keeping up with modules is to the advantage of all students. Students will be also be asked to respond to weekly questions in an online journal. This will help you keep up with the readings and ensure you are focused on key material. The completion of each module's learning activities and weekly journal responses are worth 20% of the final grade.

Yukon College academic regulations with respect to attendance will apply for this course.

# **Assignments**

There are three major assignments for this class.

Assignment 1: Imaginary Museum. You will create an imaginary museum, either based on provided descriptions or a museum of your own choosing. For your imaginary museum, you will create a mission and mandate statement, staff your museum and write a collections management policy. You will create a presentation about your museum for your classmates. Your imaginary museum assignment is worth 20% of your final mark.

Assignment 2: Mini-Archive Appraisal and Processing. This assignment has two parts: the first involves appraising a potential donation to your community archives/museums. The second part involves using the Rules for Archival Appraisal (RAD) to create a fond-level description of an accession. The mini-archives exercise is worth 20% of your final mark.

Assignment 3: Collections Management Paper. This assignment requires the student to write an 8-10 page (2500 word) research or position paper addressing an issue in collections management. You will be given a choice of topics for this assignment. The paper is worth 30% of your final mark.

## **EVALUATION**

Evaluation		Weight
Classroom	Attendance and participation in the class	10%
Participation		
Learning	Completion of learning activities by module and	20%

Activities	the online journal	
Assignment 1	Imaginary Museum Assignment - Feb 6	20%
Assignment 2	Mini-Archives: appraise & processing a mini- archive - March 13	20%
Assignment 3	Paper: Respond to an issue in collections management - April 13	30%
Total		100%

# REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS

Digital Readings (Links to digital readings will be posted to the class website).

Willie. (3<sup>rd</sup> Ed.) (2014). Standard practices handbook for museums. Edmonton: Alberta Museums Association.

This is available for purchase from Yukon College bookstore and online from the Alberta Museums Association at: <a href="http://www.museums.ab.ca/book-store/details.aspx?ID=6673ba81-faf0-460a-84fb-6d4484388b53">http://www.museums.ab.ca/book-store/details.aspx?ID=6673ba81-faf0-460a-84fb-6d4484388b53</a>

Note: Page numbers for readings from the 2003 edition, edited by Eckert are also included in the reading summary below, as some students may have the previous edition of the textbook. If possible, purchase the 2014 edition.

Millar, L. (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.) (2017). *Archives: principles and practices*. London: Facet Publishing.

Note: This is also available as an ebook from www.facetpublishing.co.uk

# ACADEMIC AND STUDENT CONDUCT

Information on academic standing and student rights and responsibilities can be found in the current Academic Regulations that are posted on the Student Services/Admissions & Registration web page.

# **PLAGIARISM**

Plagiarism is a serious academic offence. Plagiarism occurs when students present the words of someone else as their own. Plagiarism can be the deliberate use of a whole piece of another person's writing, but more frequently it occurs when students fail to acknowledge and document sources from which they have taken material. Whenever the words, research or ideas of others are directly quoted or paraphrased, they must be documented according to an accepted manuscript style (e.g., APA, CSE, MLA, etc.). Resubmitting a paper which has previously received credit is also considered plagiarism. Students who plagiarize material for

assignments will receive a mark of zero (F) on the assignment and may fail the course. Plagiarism may also result in dismissal from a program of study or the College.

# YUKON FIRST NATIONS CORE COMPETENCY

Yukon College recognizes that a greater understanding and awareness of Yukon First Nations history, culture and journey towards self-determination will help to build positive relationships among all Yukon citizens. As a result, to graduate from ANY Yukon College program, you will be required to achieve core competency in knowledge of Yukon First Nations. For details, please see www.yukoncollege.yk.ca/yfnccr.

# ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION

Reasonable accommodations are available for students requiring an academic accommodation to fully participate in this class. These accommodations are available for students with a documented disability, chronic condition or any other grounds specified in section 8.0 of the Yukon College Academic Regulations (available on the Yukon College website). It is the student's responsibility to seek these accommodations. If a student requires an academic accommodation, he/she should contact the Learning Assistance Centre (LAC) at (867) 668-8785 or lassist@yukoncollege.yk.ca.

# **TOPIC OUTLINE**

Date	Topic	Readings
Week 1 January 9	Introduction: Moodle Introduction, Archives, Museums, Cultural Centres and Historic Places: What's the difference?	Willie (2014), 377-389 or Eckert (2003), 7-22 Millar (2017), 1-22 & 289 -306
Week 2 Jan 16	Structural Overview of Archives, Museums and Cultural Centres: Authority, Mandate, Policies, Personnel	Willie (2014), 13 - 19 & 51 - 106, or Eckert (2003), 25-30, 57-110; Millar (2017), 27-36 & 123-144
Week 3 Jan 23	Ethics & Foundational Principles: Ethical Frameworks	ACA (2007); CMA (2006); Willie (2014), 41 - 47 or Eckert (2003), 31-33 & 47-53; Millar (2017), 93-106
Week 4 Jan 30	Archival Appraisal	Millar (2017), 179 -212; YG (2009)
Week 5 Feb 6	Archival Appraisal cont. Archival Processing Assignment 1: Imaginary Museums Due - Feb 6	Millar (2017), 213-242; SCAA (1997)
Reading Week Feb 13	Reading Week No Classes	
Week 6 Feb 20	Archival Processing	Millar (2017), 234-263
Week 7 Feb 27	Museum/ Cultural Centre Collections Management	Willie (2014), 143-204, or Eckert (2003), 145 - 204
Week 8 March 6	Museum/Cultural Centre Collections Management: Case Studies	Bowechop (2006), 57- 64; Conaty (2005), 43- 58; Scalplock (2006), 65 - 70
Week 9	Preventative Conservation	Willie (2014), 205-226
March 13	<b>Assignment 2: Mini-Archives</b>	or Eckert (2003), 205-

	Assignment Due - March 13	222; Millar (2017), 145- 178
Week 10 March 20	Issues in Collections Management: Repatriation and Community Access to Collections	Charlie (2007); Henessy (2012); Daitch (2013); Lyons et. al. (2011); Phillips (2012); 132-154.
Week 11 March 27	Historic Sites: Preservation and Management	CHP (2010), 1-46.
Week 12 April 3	Making archives and collections Accessible: Overview of exhibition planning and new media/digital displays.	Willie (2014), 327-376; Millar (2017), 107-120.
Week 13 April 10	Concept Reviews and student- guided topics.  Assignment 3: Paper Due April 10	

#### **READINGS**

All required readings are in the Willie (2014) or Millar (2017) textbooks, or available online.

# **WEEK 1: INTRODUCTION**

# Required Readings:

Willie (Ed.) (2014). Standard practices handbook for museums (pp. 377-389). Edmonton: Alberta Museums Association.

Millar, L. (2017). What are archives? & Glossary of terms. In *Archives: principles and practices* (pp. 1-22 & 289 -306). London: Facet Publishing.

# **Recommended Readings:**

Association of Canadian Archivists. (2005). What is an archives? Retrieved August 1, 2010, from

http://archivists.ca/sites/default/files/Attachments/Outreach\_attachments/Whatsan- Archives.PDF

Archives Association of Alberta. (2006). Archival terminology select terms. Retrieved August 1, 2010, from

# http://aabc.ca/media/5403/ASA\_Archives\_terminology\_2006.pdf

# **WEEK 2: STRUCTURAL OVERVIEW**

# Required Readings:

- Willie (Ed.) (2014). Standard practices handbook for museums. (pp. 13 19 & 51 106). Edmonton: Alberta Museums Association.
- Millar, L. (2017). The nature of archives and Managing the Institution. In Archives: principles and practices (pp. 27-36 & 123-144). London: Facet Publishing.

# **Recommended Readings:**

- Association of Canadian Archivists. (2004). What is an archivist? Retrieved August 1, 2010, from <a href="http://archivists.ca/sites/default/files/Attachments/Outreach\_attachments/Whats-an-Archivist.PDF">http://archivists.ca/sites/default/files/Attachments/Outreach\_attachments/Whats-an-Archivist.PDF</a>
- Cooper, K.C. (2006) Starting a Museum or Cultural Centre. In Cooper, K.C. & Sandoval, N. (Eds.), Living homes for cultural expressions: North American Native perspectives on creating community museums. (pp. 11-16). Washington, DC and New York: Smithsonian Institution. Retrieved Oct. 14, 2014 from <a href="http://nmai.si.edu/sites/1/dynamic/downloads/downloads\_filename\_66.pdf">http://nmai.si.edu/sites/1/dynamic/downloads/downloads\_filename\_66.pdf</a>
- Jones, M. (2006). Building the Squamish museum. In Cooper, K.C. & Sandoval, N. (Eds.) Living homes for cultural expressions: North American Native perspectives on creating community museums (pp. 71-74). Washington, DC and New York: Smithsonian Institution. Retrieved Oct. 14, 2014 from http://nmai.si.edu/sites/1/dynamic/downloads/downloads\_filename\_66.pdf
- UK Museums Association Job Descriptions & Case Studies. Retrieved Oct. 14, 2014 from http://www.museumsassociation.org/careers/case-studies

# WEEK 3: ETHICS & FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES Required Readings:

- Association of Canadian Archivists Code of Ethics. Retrieved October 14, 2014 from <a href="http://archivists.ca/content/code-ethics">http://archivists.ca/content/code-ethics</a>
- Canadian Museums Association Code of Ethics. Retrieved October 14, 2014, from <a href="http://www.museums.ca/uploaded/web/docs/ethicsguidelines.pdf">http://www.museums.ca/uploaded/web/docs/ethicsguidelines.pdf</a>
- Willie (Ed.) (2014). Standard practices handbook for museums. (pp. 41-47).

Edmonton: Alberta Museums Association.

Millar, L. (2017). The principles of archival service. In Archives: principles and practices (pp. 93-106). London: Facet Publishing.

# **WEEK 4: ARCHIVAL APPRAISAL**

# Required Readings:

Millar, L. (2017). Acquiring archives. In Archives: principles and practices (pp. 179-212). London: Facet Publishing.

Yukon Government (2009). Yukon Archives Acquisition Policy.

# **Recommended Readings:**

Association of Canadian Archivists. (2007). Aboriginal Archives Guide. Retrieved November 23, 2012 from:

http://archivists.ca/sites/default/files/Attachments/Outreach\_attachments/Aboriginal\_Archives\_English\_WEB.pdf

Yukon Government (2009). Yukon Archives Private Records Appraisal Policy.

Yukon Government (2009). Yukon Archives Public Records Appraisal Policy.

Yukon Government (2009). Yukon Archives Appraisal Standards.

# WEEK 5: ARCHIVAL APPRAISAL/PROCESSING

# Required Readings:

Millar, L. (2017). Arranging and describing archives. In Archives: principles and practices (pp. 213-242). London: Facet Publishing.

Saskatchewan Council for Archives and Archivists. (1997). *Basic RAD*. Retrieved August 1, 2010 from http://lib74123.usask.ca/scaa/rad/

# **Recommended Readings:**

Canadian Council for Archives (2008). Canadian Archival Standard Rules for Archival Description. Retrieved Oct. 14, 2014 from <a href="http://www.cdncouncilarchives.ca/rad/radcomplete\_july2008.pdf">http://www.cdncouncilarchives.ca/rad/radcomplete\_july2008.pdf</a>

# WEEK 6: ARCHIVAL PROCESSING (CONT.)

# Required Readings:

Miller, L. (2017). *Making Archives Available*. In *Archives: principles and practices* (pp. 234-263). London: Facet Publishing.

# Recommended Readings:

Daitch, C. (2012). Yukon Archival Needs Assessment: An analysis of Yukon's holdings and recommendations for redesigned archives advisory service. Yukon: Yukon Council of Archives.

Yukon Government (2009). Yukon Archives Digitization Policy.

#### **WEEK 7: COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT**

# Required Reading:

Willie (Ed.) (2014). Standard practices handbook for museums. (pp. 145-204). Edmonton: Alberta Museums Association.

# **Recommended Reading:**

Reibel, D. B. (1997). *Registration methods for the small museum*. Walnut Creek, CA: Altamira Press.

# WEEK 8: COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT (CASE STUDIES)

# Required Readings: (Choose one of the following articles)

Bowechop, J. & Mauger, J. E. (2006). Tribal collections management at the Makah cultural and research centre. In K.C. Cooper & N. Sandoval (Eds.), *Living homes for cultural expression, North American Native perspectives on creating community museums* (pp. 57-64). Washington D.C.: Smithsonian Institution. http://nmai.si.edu/sites/1/dynamic/downloads/downloads filename 66.pdf

Conaty, G. & Carter, B. (2005). Our story in our words: Diversity and equality in the Glenbow museum. In. R. Janes & G. Conaty (Eds.), *Looking reality in the eye:*Museums and social responsibility (pp. 43-58). Calgary, AB: University of Calgary Press.

Scalplock, I. J. (2006). Tribal museums and the Siksika experience. In K.C. Cooper &

N. Sandoval (Eds.), Living homes for cultural expression, North American Native perspectives on creating community museums (pp. 65-70). Washington D.C.: Smithsonian Institution.

http://nmai.si.edu/sites/1/dynamic/downloads/downloads\_filename\_66.pdf

# **WEEK 9: PREVENTATIVE CONSERVATION**

# Required Readings:

- Willie. (Ed.) (2014). Standard practices handbook for museums (pp. 205-226). Edmonton: Alberta Museums Association.
- Millar, L (2017). Preserving Archives. In *Archives: principles and practices* (pp. 145-178). London: Facet Publishing.

# **Recommended Readings:**

- Canadian Conservation Institute CCI Notes. Retrieved Oct. 14, 2014 from: http://canada.phc.gc.ca/eng/1439925167385
- Clavir, M. (2002). First Nations perspectives on preservation and museums. In *Preserving what is valued: Museums, conservation, and First Nations* (pp. 69-97). Vancouver, B.C.: UBC Press.

#### WEEK 10: REPATRIATION AND COMMUNITY ACCESS TO COLLECTIONS

# Required Readings: (Choose two of the following articles)

- Charlie, S. and Krahn, E. (2007). Searching for our heritage. Yukon, Canada: Government of Yukon. Retrieved August 1, 2010 from <a href="http://www.archimuse.com/ichim07/papers/charlie/charlie.html">http://www.archimuse.com/ichim07/papers/charlie/charlie.html</a>
- Hennessy, K., Wallace, R., Jakobsen, N. & Arnold, C. (2012, March). Virtual Repatriation and the Application Programming Interface: From the Smithsonian Institution's MacFarlane Collection to "Inuvialuit Living History". *In Museums and the Web Conference Proceedings*. Retrieved from:

http://www.museumsandtheweb.com/mw2012/papers/virtual\_repatriation\_and\_the\_application\_progr

Daitch, C. (2013). Repatriation in Yukon and Beyond. Yukon: Prepared for Yukon Government Museums Unit. Retrieved from: http://www.searchingforourheritage.ca/wp/wp-

# content/uploads/2013/05/Searching-for-Our-Heritage-Paper-Final.pdf

- Government of Canada, the Council for Yukon Indians and the Government of Yukon (1993). Umbrella Final Agreement. (Chapter 13, pp. 121-130). Retrieved Oct. 14, 2014 from http://www.eco.gov.yk.ca/pdf/umbrellafinalagreement.pdf
- Lyons, N. Hennessy, K, Arnold, C. and Joe, M. (2011). Inuvialuit Smithsonian Project: Winter 2009-Spring 2011. Washington D.C.: Smithsonian Institution Report. Retrieved from: <a href="http://www.mnh.si.edu/arctic/html/pdf/Inuvialuit%20Smithsonian%20Report%202">http://www.mnh.si.edu/arctic/html/pdf/Inuvialuit%20Smithsonian%20Report%202</a> 009-2011\_FINAL.pdf
- Phillips, Ruth. R. (2012). The Global Travels of a Mi'kmaq Coat: Colonial Legacies, Repatriation, and the New Cosmopolitanism. In *Museum Pieces: Toward the Indigenization of Canadian Museums*. (pp. 132-154). Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queens University Press.

# WEEK 11: HISTORIC SITES: PRESERVATION AND MANAGEMENT

# Required Readings:

Canada's Historic Places (2010). Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada (pp. 1-46). Retrieved Oct. 14, 2014 from http://www.historicplaces.ca/en/pages/standards-normes.aspx

# **Recommended Readings:**

Yukon Government (2002). *Historic resources act*. Retrieved August 1, 2010 from <a href="http://www.gov.yk.ca/legislation/acts/hire\_c.pdf">http://www.gov.yk.ca/legislation/acts/hire\_c.pdf</a>

# WEEK 12: MAKING ARCHIVES AND COLLECTIONS: EXHIBITIONS AND DIGITAL DISPLAYS

# Required Readings:

- Willie (Ed.) (2014). Standard practices handbook for museums (pp. 327-376). Edmonton: Alberta Museums Association.
- Millar, L. (2017). Balancing access and privacy. In Archives: principles and practices. (pp. 107-120). London: Facet Publishing.

# Recommended Readings:

- Hill, R. W. (2006). Road map for Native museum exhibition planning. In K.C. Cooper & N. Sandoval (Eds.), Living homes for cultural expression, North American Native perspectives on creating community museums (pp. 17-25). Washington D.C.: Smithsonian Institution.
  - http://nmai.si.edu/sites/1/dynamic/downloads/downloads\_filename\_66.pdf
- Phillips, Ruth. R. (2012). The Digital (R)evolution of Museum-Based Research. In *Museum Pieces: Toward the Indigenization of Canadian Museums*. (pp. 177-196). Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queens University Press.
- Steffian, A. F. (2006). Teaching traditions: Public programming at the Alutiiq museum. In K.C. Cooper & N. Sandoval (Eds.), Living homes for cultural expression, North American Native perspectives on creating community museums (pp. 27-41). Washington D.C.: Smithsonian Institution. http://nmai.si.edu/sites/1/dynamic/downloads/downloads\_filename\_66.pdf