

Course Code	Course Name	Credits
26HS015	Introduction to Archaeology	04

Course Objectives

- To introduce the meaning, scope, and objectives of archaeology and its relationship with allied disciplines.
- To study the history and development of archaeology in India along with Indological studies.
- To explain archaeological theories, exploration, excavation methods, stratigraphy, and marine archaeology.
- To develop knowledge of field conservation, data analysis, surveying, mapping, and reporting techniques..

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course it is intended that a student will be able to:

- Define key concepts of archaeology, excavation, stratigraphy, and related terminologies.
- Explain the scope, objectives, and development of archaeology and its relation to other disciplines.
- Apply basic archaeological methods such as exploration, excavation, surveying, and mapping.
- Analyze archaeological data, field methods, and stratigraphic layers to interpret findings.
- Evaluate archaeological practices, field conservation methods, and reporting techniques.
- Develop structured archaeological reports and interpret findings using scientific methods.

Unit 1 - Introduction to Archaeology (12 Hrs.)

Meaning and definition of Archaeology; Goals and objectives of Archaeology; Archaeology and its relationship with other disciplines (Anthropology, History, Geology, Sociology).

Unit 2 – History and Theoretical Foundations of Archaeology (12 Hrs.)

History of Archaeology (global perspective); History of Archaeology in India: Foundation and development of Indological studies; Meaning and aspect Archaeological theory.

Unit 3 - Archaeological Methods (12 Hrs.)

Exploration method: Aspects; Introduction to Excavation methods: Steps; Concept of Stratigraphy and its importance.

Unit 4 – Fieldwork and Data Management in Archaeology (12 Hrs.)

Field conversation: Meaning, Methods and importance; Data analysis: Meaning and importance; Archaeological staff: role and its importance.

Unit 5 - Archaeological Surveying, Specialized Fields, and Reporting (12 Hrs.)

Meaning and purpose of Archaeological surveying and mapping; Marine Archaeology and its importance; Publication of the report.

Reference Books:

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4. Atkinson, P. J. C. (1953). *Field archaeology*. Methuen & Co. Ltd.
5. Colin, R. (2001). *Archaeology: Theories, methods, and practice*. Thames & Hudson.
6. Fagan, B. M. (2016). *Archaeology: A brief introduction* (12th ed.). Routledge.
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8. Ghosh, A. (1989). *An encyclopedia of Indian archaeology*. Munshiram Manoharlal.
9. Gupta, S. P. (1996). *Archaeology of India*. Oxford & IBH Publishing.
10. Rajan, K. (2002). *Archaeology: Principles and methods*. Manoo Pathippakam.
11. Renfrew, C., & Bahn, P. (2015). *Archaeology: Theories, methods and practice* (7th ed.). Thames & Hudson.
12. Trigger, B. G. (2006). *A history of archaeological thought*. Cambridge University Press.

COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Mapping – 26HS015

Course Outcomes	On the completion of the course, the students will be able to:	BTL
CO1	Define key concepts of archaeology, excavation, stratigraphy, and related terminologies.	K1, K2
CO2	Explain the scope, objectives, and development of archaeology and its relation to other disciplines.	K3
CO3	Apply basic archaeological methods such as exploration, excavation, surveying, and mapping.	K4
CO4	Analyze archaeological data, field methods, and stratigraphic layers to interpret findings.	K5
CO5	Evaluate archaeological practices, field conservation methods, and reporting techniques.	K5

BTL K1 and K2 – remembering and understanding, K3- Applying, K4 – Analyse, K5- Evaluate and K6- Create

Relationship Matrix – 26HS015

Course Outcomes	Programme Outcomes (POs)						Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs)						Mean Score of Cos
	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5	PSO6	
CO1	3	2	2	2	1	1	3	2	3	1	2	2	2
CO2	3	3	2	1	2	3	2	2	3	2	3	1	2.25
CO3	3	3	2	3	1	2	3	2	3	3	2	3	2.5
CO4	3	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	3	1	2.25
CO5	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	3	3	2	3	2	2.58
Total													2.31

Mean Score: 3- High, 2- Medium/Moderate, 1-Low