Archaeology of the Southwest

is an introductory course in the study of the American Southwest.

Developed by the Arizona Archaeological Society (AAS), this class provides a basic overview of the region’s archaeology and cultures. It includes discussions of the general characteristics of major cultural groups who have lived in the Southwest over the past 13,000-plus years, dating systems, cultural sequences, subsistence strategies, development of urbanization, and depopulation of different areas at different times.

In 28 hours of online class time in Zoom open sessions, this Old Pueblo Archaeology Center course provides an up-to-date synthesis of the regional archaeology for anyone interested in the Southwest’s Indigenous and historical cultures. It also is the prerequisite for all other courses offered in the AAS Training, Certification and Education Program. (See next page for more information on that program.)

$109 donation per registrant
($90 for Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, AAS, and S’edav Va’aki Museum Foundation members) **

To register contact Old Pueblo Archaeology Center at 520-798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org.

* Same as Pacific Daylight Time after March 10.
** Donations are due 10 days after reservation request or by 5 pm Friday December 29, 2023, whichever is earlier. Donation does not cover the cost of the recommended text (Archaeology of the Southwest, 3rd edition by Linda Cordell and Maxine McBrinn), optional Arizona Archaeological Society membership, or optional AAS Certification Program registration fee. The Zoom link for class will be provided only to persons who have registered and paid.
Old Pueblo Archaeology Center and the Arizona Archaeological Society (AAS) are separate nonprofit organizations. Membership in either organization does not confer membership in the other. One does not need to be a member of either Old Pueblo or the AAS to enroll in Old Pueblo’s Archaeology of the Southwest class. To receive AAS Certification for the course, one must be an AAS member and must be enrolled in the AAS Training, Certification and Education Program (TCEP).

The AAS TCEP is designed with help from professional archaeologists to give training in various aspects of archaeology outside an academic degree program. Because many of the program’s courses provide field experience in addition to classroom training, students can develop those skills to become qualified and valuable members of archaeological projects. For students who join the TCEP, AAS keeps records of courses taken, and issues certificates for courses successfully completed.

To enroll in the AAS TCEP an individual must be a member of AAS, complete its Certification Program Application form, and pay AAS a one-time TCEP enrollment fee of $10. When the application is accepted, the TCEP Department Recorder will establish a file in the individual’s name to maintain a permanent record of qualifications. As each course is completed, the applicant will receive a certificate that the instructor can sign, and the individual becomes certified in that aspect of archaeology.

Students seeking the AAS Certification for the Archaeology of the Southwest course are required to pass an exam to demonstrate understanding of the course objectives, viewable at https://www.azarchsoc.org/resources/Documents/Cert/Classes/Prehistory%20of%20the%20Southwest.pdf.

For complete information on the AAS TCEP visit www.azarchsoc.org/page-807603.