

# Old Pueblo Archaeology Center's Archaeology of the Southwest Course

## Online Course for General Interest or Arizona Archaeological Society Certification

### Paleoindian culture

Clovis projectile point, Blackwater Draw Museum, Gwen Buttrill photo

### Late Archaic culture

San Pedro projectile point, Archaeology Southwest/Desert Archaeology, Inc. photo



### Mogollon culture

Rectangular pithouse at the Harris site  
University of Nevada, Las Vegas photo



### Ancestral Pueblo culture

Pueblo Bonito in Chaco Canyon  
National Park Service, Russ Bodnar photo



### Hohokam culture

The Casa Grande in 1891  
Bureau of American Ethnology, C. Mindeleff photo

Offered in 14 two-hour  
sessions, online  
via Zoom

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

Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 pm  
Arizona/Mt. Std. Time\*  
Jan. 21-April 22, 2026

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.

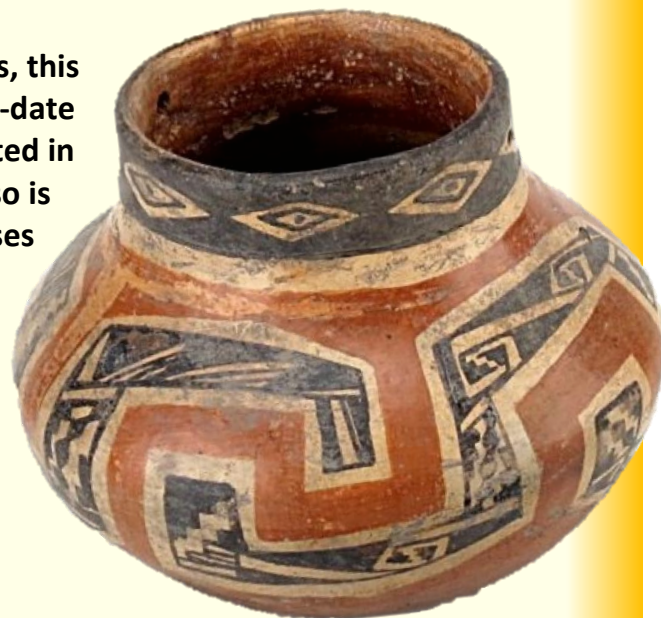
In 28 hours of online class time in Zoom open sessions, this Old Pueblo Archaeology Center course provides an up-to-date synthesis of the regional archaeology for anyone interested in the Southwest's Indigenous and historical cultures. It also is a prerequisite for receiving certification in all other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

\$109 donation per registrant  
(\$90 for Old Pueblo Archaeology Center,  
AAS, and Arizona Site Steward members)\*\*

To register contact Old Pueblo Archaeology Center  
at 520-798-1201 or [info@oldpueblo.org](mailto:info@oldpueblo.org).

\* Same as Pacific Daylight Time after March 8.

\*\* Donations are due 10 days after reservation request or by 5 pm Monday January 19, whichever is earlier. Donation does not cover the cost of the recommended text (*The Oxford Handbook of Southwest Archaeology*, Barbara J. Mills & Severin Fowles, editors) optional Arizona Archaeological Society membership, or optional AAS Certification Program registration fee. The Zoom link for the class will be provided only to persons who have registered and paid.



### Salado blended culture

Tonto Polychrome jar,  
Pottery Typology Project,  
New Mexico Office of Archaeological Studies photo

# The Archaeology of the Southwest Course and the Arizona Archaeological Society's Training, Certification and Education Program

**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).**

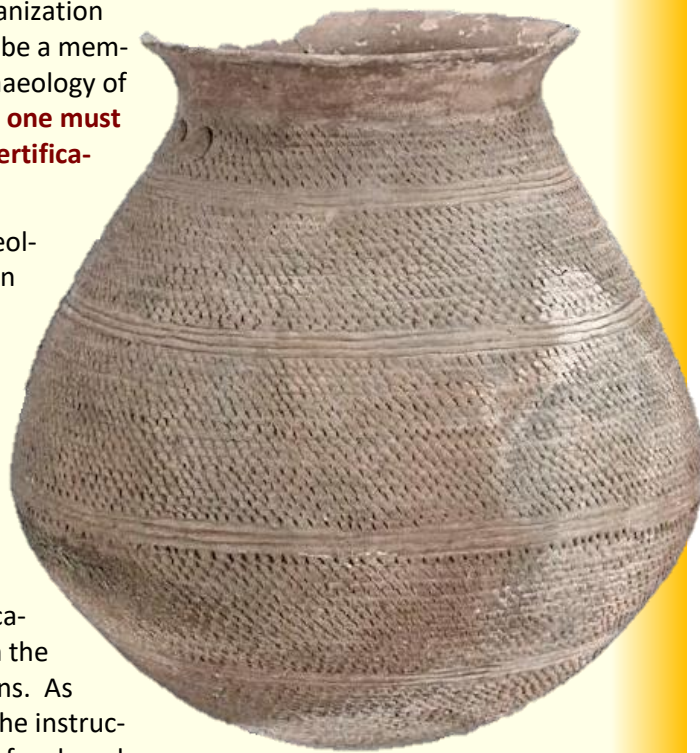
**The AAS TCEP** is designed with help from professional archaeologists to give training in various aspects of archaeology outside an academic degree program. Because many of the program's courses provide field experience in addition to classroom training, students can develop those skills to become 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 Chair 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 the instructor can sign, and the individual becomes certified in that aspect of archaeology.

Students seeking AAS Certification for Old Pueblo's Archaeology of the Southwest course are required to pass an exam to demonstrate understanding of the course objectives, which can be viewed here:

[www.azarchsoc.org/resources/Documents/Cert/Classes/Prehistory%20of%20the%20Southwest.pdf](http://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](http://www.azarchsoc.org/page-807603).**

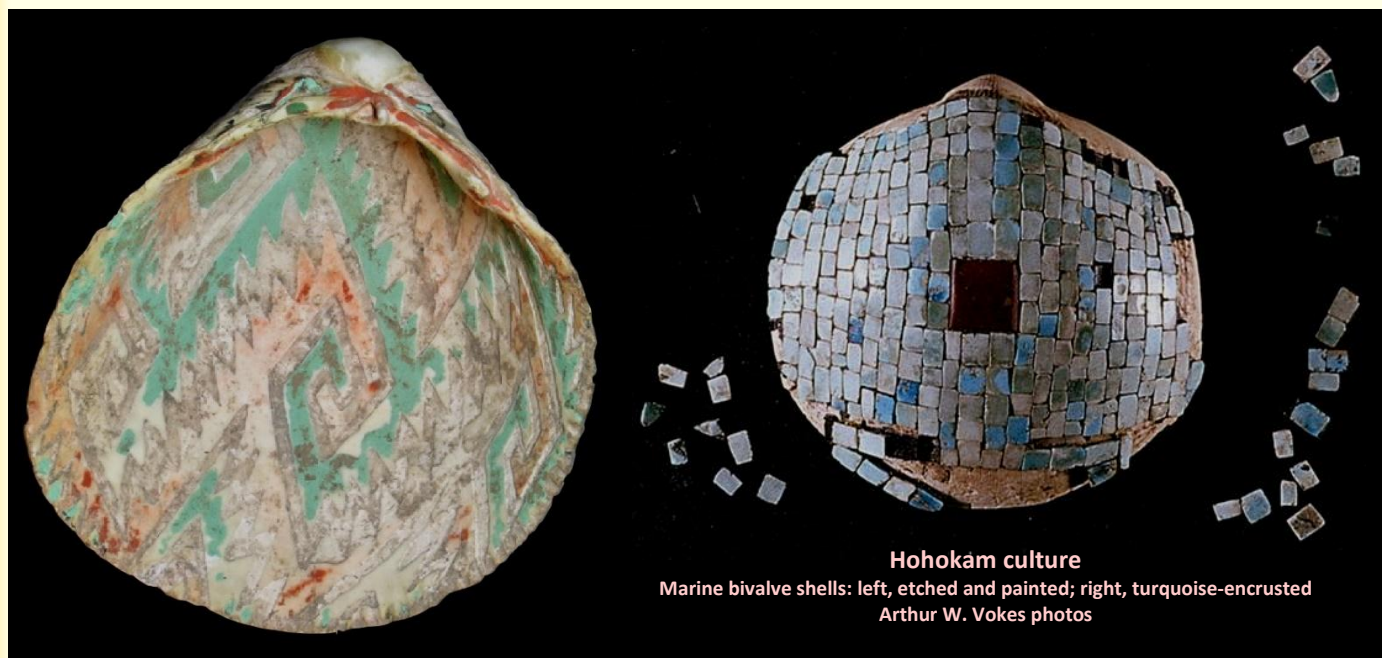


**Mogollon culture**

Tularosa Patterned Corrugated jar

Pottery Typology Project photo,

New Mexico Office of Archaeological Studies



**Hohokam culture**

Marine bivalve shells: left, etched and painted; right, turquoise-encrusted  
Arthur W. Vokes photos