

Department of History
Certificate Course (2017-2018)

Name of the Certificate Course	Total Hours
Certificate Course in Archaeology	30

Learning Objectives:

- To give an introduction to the development of Archaeology as a discipline, its current practices, basic techniques and methods in Archaeology.
- To give an overview of the heritage and museum management, antiquarian laws, fundamentals of archaeological and curatorial conservation.
- To provide students with an opportunity to learn about Multidisciplinary approaches in Archaeology.
- To equip students to pursue research in various fields of Archaeology.

Course Outcomes: students would be able to:

- Understand the Principles and Methods of Archaeology
- Assess the Heritage and Museum sites of India.
- Develop an attitude and awareness on preservation of archaeological sites.
- Develop academic interest in archaeology and related fields

MODULE I: Archaeology: Principles and Methods

Archaeology- Definition, aim, scope and evolution-History of Indian Archaeology-ASI-Relationship of Archaeology with Social and Natural Sciences-Retrieval of Archaeological data: techniques of exploration and excavations-Recording-Aims and methods of conservation and preservation of archaeological remains.

MODULE II: Heritage and Museum

History of Conservation- modern principles and guidelines- Museums - Definition, development, function and organizations of museums- Types of Museums and Museum Buildings- Artifacts – Their collection, documentation, conservation and preservation.

MODULE III: Field Walking and Survey

Walking over the surface of the site- observation and collection of material remains-Survey -Field trip and Documentation.

Suggested Readings

- Chakrabarti, D. K.1988, *History of Indian Archaeology*. Delhi: MunshiramManoharlal
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- Rajan, K. 2003. *Principles and Methods of Archaeology*. Thanjavur:ManooPathipakkam.
- Banerjee, N.R. 1990. *Museums and Cultural Heritage of India*. Delhi: Agam Kala.
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- Biswas, S.S. 1999. *Protecting Cultural Heritage*. Delhi: Arya Books.
- Settar.S and Ravi, Korisettar. 2002. *Archaeology and Interactive disciplines*. Delhi: ICHR.
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