

Archaeology of the Ancient Near East I

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Atestace: Zk (atestace bude udělena na základě výsledků písemného testu)

Anotace: This course is designated to provide a general introduction to the archaeology of the Ancient Near East. The course will be organized chronologically around broad processual themes (e.g. the origins of agriculture, emergence of urbanism, the rise of state-ordered societies, etc.), and will trace their historical development within various geographical sub-regions of the Near East (Mesopotamia, Syria-Palestine) from the earliest times to the end of the Bronze Age. Emphasis will be given to cultural history, while exploring the complex processes of social organization and change that gave shape to the remarkable cultural accomplishments of the Ancient Near Eastern world.

Výuka proběhne blokově v následujících termínech (vše v místnosti C102, Celetná 20, 1. patro):

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| 17.4. 9:10-10:45 | First villages: Epipaleolithic and Neolithic Cultures of Northern Mesopotamia (9,000–5,000 BC) |
| 17.4. 10:50-12:25 | Early complexity in the south: The Ubaid Culture as a transregional phenomenon (6,500–4,000 BC) |
| 19.4. 9:10-10:45 | The Rise of the City: The Uruk Period (4,000–3,000 BC) |
| 20.4. 9:10-10:45 | States in Conflict: The Early Dynastic Period (3,000–2,300 BC) |
| 24.4. 9:10-10:45 | Mighty Kings and Conquerors: Akkade, the First World Empire (2,300–2,150 BC) |
| 24.4. 10:50-12:25 | A Sumerian Revival: Lagash II and Ur III (2,150–2,000 BC) |
| 26.4. 9:10-10:45 | Amorite Kingdoms and City States: Isin / Larsa, Eshnunna, Assur and Kanesh/Kültepe, Mari and Babylon (2,000–1,600 BC) |
| 27.4. 9:10-10:45 | Mesopotamia during the Late Bronze Age: Mittani, Middle Assyrian Empire, Kassites (1,600–1,200 BC) |

Doporučená literatura (literatura k jednotlivým tématům bude doplněna v průběhu semestru):

- Akkermans, P.M.M.G - Schwartz, G.M. (2003). *The Archaeology of Syria. From Complex Hunter-Gatherers to Early Urban Societies (ca. 16000-300 BC)*, Cambridge.
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- Pollock, S. - Bernbeck, R. (2005). *Archaeologies of the Middle East*, Oxford.
- Potts, D., ed. (2012). *A Companion to the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East, I-II*, Malden, MA - Oxford - Chichester.