ANTHROPOLOGY 464: HAWAIIAN ARCHAEOLOGY

Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Kahn
Office Hours: W 1:00-3:00 p.m.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will provide an in-depth introduction to archaeology in the Hawaiian Islands. Our focus will be on the pre-contact period but we will also briefly discuss transformations in the post-contact era. Topics to be discussed include: Hawaiian Island resources and environments, timing of island colonization and settlement, origins of Hawaiians and contacts with Eastern Polynesia, household archaeology and daily life, subsistence economies, craft production, status and the emergence of socio-political hierarchy, and ideology and monumental architecture.

COURSE FORMAT

Class Lectures and Class Participation: There will be two hours of lecture/class discussion per week. Lectures will not cover everything in the text. Attendance at each lecture is mandatory and attending lectures will be central to achieving a good grade in this class. Students will be responsible for having completed weekly readings before lecture and will participate in discussions of these during class time, following the introductory lecture. Video segments will also be shown in class. Class participation is expected and will comprise 10% of your total grade. You will document your participation in a course log, guidelines for organizing your log will be provided in the second week of class. Your course log will comprise 15% of your grade.

Textbook and Supplementary Readings: The text for the course is P. Kirch (1985) *Feathered Gods and Fishhooks*. Supplementary readings will be distributed via Laulima.

In-class presentations: Each student will give a 15-minute in class presentation (using Power Point) on select topics related to Hawaiian Archaeology. Presentation topics must be approved by the instructor. You cannot pass this class without giving your presentation on your scheduled day/time. **Presentations must be given on the day they are scheduled to receive a passing grade.**

Map Quiz: You must pass the map quiz to pass this course. You may take the quiz as many times as you need to in order to pass.

Midterm and Final: A midterm and final will be scheduled. **No make up exams will be provided.**

Course Grades: Course grades will be calculated using the following percentages:

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Final course grades are based on a percentage of total possible points. A=90% and above; B=80-89%; C=70-79%; D=60-69%.
## COURSE SCHEDULE/COURSE READINGS

| Week 1: Settlement of Eastern Polynesia, Origins of First Polynesians | Kirch Ch. 4  
| | Kirch 2000 Ch 7:230-245 |
| Week 2: History of Archaeology in Hawai‘i, Approaches to Studying Hawaiian Prehistory | Kirch Ch. 1, 3, 7  
| | Cordy Ch 3, Dye 2007:93-107 |
| Week 3: The Hawaiian Islands- Environmental Setting and Resources | Kirch Ch. 2 |
| | Kirch 2000 Ch. 2 |
| Week 4: Initial Settlement of Hawai‘i | Kirch Ch. 5  
| | Kirch and McCoy 2007 |
| Week 5: Subsistence- Marine Exploitation | Kirch Ch. 8  
| | Jones and Kirch 2007 |
| Week 7: Regional Developments, Craft Production | Kirch Ch. 6  
| Week 8: Midterm  
| Week 9: Household Studies- Domestic Production (Kohala case study)  
Household Studies- Social Status (Kahikinui Case Study) | Kirch Ch. 11  
SUPPLEMENTARY READINGS


