NAUTICAL ARCHAEOLOGY - MINOR

The minor in Nautical Archaeology provides students with foundational training in shipwreck archaeology, one of the unique strengths of Texas A&M University. Students learn how watercraft have shaped the human experience and changed history, as they gain fluency in ship construction technologies, underwater survey and excavation techniques, and the conservation of archaeological artifacts from submerged contexts. The legal protection of underwater cultural heritage and the ethics of treasure hunting engage critical thinking. Professional training may be acquired through archaeological fieldwork (ANTH 330), internships in conservation and/or archival research (ANTH 484), or supervised scholarly research (ANTH 485). The minor in Nautical Archaeology integrates with all majors in Arts and Sciences and exposes students to careers in maritime museums, cultural resource management firms, as well as state and federal government, educational, and non-profit agencies.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Select five from the following:		15
ANTH 316	Nautical Archaeology	
ANTH 318	Nautical Archaeology of the Americas	
ANTH 323	Nautical Archaeology of the Mediterranean	
ANTH 330	Field Research in Anthropology	
ANTH 402	Archaeological Artifact Conservation	
	Naval Warfare and Warships in Ancient Greece and Rome	
ANTH 418	Romans, Arabs, and Vikings– Seafaring in the Mediterranean during the early Christian Era	
ANTH 484	Anthropology Internship ¹	
ANTH 485	Directed Studies ²	
ANTH 489	Special Topics in ³	

Total Semester Credit Hours

15

Students must make a grade of C or better in all courses.

¹ At Conservation Research Lab (CRL), Institute of Nautical Archaeology (INA), or the Center for Maritime Archaeology and Conservation (CMAC) labs

With a Nautical Archaeology Program faculty member

As offered in a particular semester by a Nautical Archaeology Program faculty member