





Heritage Resources Management (HERM) 691

Heritage Diploma Practicum (Revision 2)

Status:

Replaced with new revision, see the [course listing](#)  for the current revision 

Delivery mode:

[Individualized study online](#) . Delivered via Brightspace.

Credits:

6

Area of study:

Arts

Prerequisites:

Professor approval.

NOTE: Students should contact hrm@athabascau.ca at least 3 months prior to the intended start date of the course to prepare the practicum proposal.

Precluded:

None

Faculty:

[Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences](#) 

Overview

The Diploma practicum requires the completion of a 400-hour project. It is the capstone for the Diploma program and will be completed by students who have cleared the requirements in the fields of ethics, heritage policy, collections and conservation and who have completed or are concurrently taking HERM 501, 512, 541, and 561. Students link the knowledge gained from these courses with their experience in a particular heritage setting. Students identify in advance a practicum project and a suitable on-site practicum supervisor. The Professor, Heritage Resources Management, acts as the course professor for the practicum. Formal guidelines provide detailed guidance and set out the procedures for the successful completion of the practicum project.

Objectives

1. Formulate, plan, and implement an applied Heritage Resources Management (HRM) project.
2. Synthesize and apply relevant theory learned in HRM courses in an applied project.
3. Work independently to implement a complex project.
4. Work flexibly and capably with others in a professional work setting to implement a specific task.
5. Demonstrate appropriate heritage professional analytical, organizational, and presentation skills.
6. Objectively assess the success and limits of your project.

Evaluation

To receive credit in HERM 691, you must complete a 400-hour practicum project. The practicum is a pass/fail course and is assessed through the following reporting structure:





Activity	Weight
Activity Log	Pass/Fail

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Preliminary Report	Pass/Fail
Interim Report	Pass/Fail
Final Report	Pass/Fail

Materials

There are no required textbooks for HERM 691. It is expected that students will consult appropriate reference materials—including textbooks, journals, and Internet resources—for information directly related to their practicum project.

Important links

- › [Academic advising](#) 
- › [Program planning](#) 
- › [Request assistance](#) 
- › [Support services](#) 

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