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Free course on Marianas archaeology sites to be offered in March

Students and working professionals worldwide will have an opportunity to learn more about archaeology in the Marianas in an upcoming virtual minicourse hosted by the University of Guam Micronesian Area Research Center.

The course, titled "Archaeology and Heritage Sites of Guam and the Marianas Region: Skills and Knowledge for Working Professionals," is a free educational program with no prerequisites open to all members of the public. Through virtual interactive resources and learning exercises, participants will learn the most updated information about the scope and range of archaeology and heritage sites of Guam and the Mariana Islands.

The course will consist of five two-hour Zoom sessions — held from 10 a.m. to noon CHST every Tuesday and Thursday from March 1 to March 15. Each session will be led by <u>Michael Carson</u>, an associate professor of archaeology at the University of Guam

"This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in archaeology — especially government officials working for museums and historic preservation sites. Through this course, they will be able to gain updated knowledge and skills that they can apply to

Carson worked with the U.S. National Park Service to ensure that the course meets the U.S. national standards for historic preservation.

Participants who complete the total course will receive one continuing education unit and a certificate of completion from the university. Those interested in enrolling can email the UOG Global Learning and Engagement office at <u>uog.gle@triton.uog.edu</u> for a registration form. Completed registration forms

participants.

For more information about the course, contact Michael Carson at <u>mtcarson@triton.uog.edu</u>.

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Photo caption:

Prehistoric latte stone ruins at the House of Taga archaeological site in Tinian. This and other archaeological sites throughout the Mariana Islands will be highlighted in a five-session online minicourse hosted by the University of Guam's Micronesian Area

Tuesdays and Thursdays from March 1 to 15.

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