Detailed Itinerary for "Ecocriticism and the Ancient City", Spring 2024 Group Study Program

March TBD, Calgary: Mandatory pre-departure orientation facilitated by UCalgary International

May 1 to 5, Calgary: Mandatory coursework to be completed at the University of Calgary. These are full days, 8:30 AM-12 PM and 1 PM-4 PM. Key topics include: the purpose of fieldwork and making meaningful field observations; introduction to ArcGIS Online; collecting and managing digital data; creating story maps

May 6, Calgary/Rome: Depart Calgary for flight to Rome

May 7, Rome/Pompeii: Arrive in Rome; transfer to Pompeii; project discussions during layover; evening remote lecture (water)

May 8, Pompeii: Pompeii site; student projects & office hours; evening remote lecture (Vesuvius)

May 9, Pompeii: Herculaneum and Villa A at Oplontis; student project work & office hours

May 10, Naples: Train to Naples; Naples as a city; National Archaeological Museum of Naples; evening remote lecture (environment)

May 11, Orvieto: Train to Orvieto; hiking; Etruscan tombs; National Archaeological Museum of Orvieto; explore upper town; student project work

May 12, Orvieto: Hilltop town; medieval town; evening remote lecture (topic TBD)

May 13, Rome: Train to Rome; Roman Forum, Palatine, Colosseum; student project work & office hours

May 14, Rome: Urban stratigraphy of Rome from Altare della Patria/Trajan's Market through Campus

Martius; National Archaeological Museum of Rome; course seminars

May 15, Rome: Ponte Rotto; Jewish ghetto and Trastevere; Palazzo Massimo

May 16, Rome: Roman Baths; Circus Maximus; student project presentations

May 17, Rome: Day trip to Frascati – wine tour

May 18, Rome/Crete: Fly to Crete; evening lectures and midterm tests

May 19, Crete: Site of Knossos/Heraklion; course seminars

May 20, Crete: Visiting other sites on the island of Crete – activities TBD

May 21, Crete/Athens: Fly to Athens; office hours; evening hike through Pnyx Park

May 22, Athens: Acropolis and Acropolis Museum; student project work

May 23, Athens: Day trip to Mycenae – visit museum

May 24, Athens: Ancient Agora and museum; Keramikos and museum

May 25, Athens: Day trip to Delphi & associated sites – activities TBD

May 26, Athens: Conclude course seminars; final exams

May 27, Athens: Final instructor meetings; finish reflection papers for GEOG 390

May 28, Athens/Calgary: Depart Athens for Calgary (or continue on independent travel)