



BCCM 2776

Division: Career and Technical Education

Department: Building Construction and Construction Management

Course: BCCM 2776

Title: Historic Gravestone Preservation

Catalog Description:

This course is a hands-on introduction to knowledge and acquired training regarding gravestone preservation. This course will demonstrate and perform treatments for all of the most common gravestone preservation dilemmas including cleaning, resetting tilted stones, and rejoining fractured tablet stones which are common throughout many parts of America. Proper documentation and recording of the restoration process is also part of the course. (Cross-listed with TBSI 2776.)

General Education Requirements: N/A

Semesters Offered: Fall, Summer

Credit/Time Requirement: Credit: 1; Lecture: 1; Lab: 1

Clock/Hour Requirements: 0

Offered for Non-Credit: No

Prerequisites: N/A

Corequisites: N/A

Justification:

This course is being provided to fill a need for technical training in the recognition, documentation and preservation of historic gravestones. This course is recommended by the Traditional Building Skills Institute Board of trustees.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students will gain knowledge and acquire hands-on training regarding gravestone and monument preservation.

Content:

Course objectives will be achieved by providing students with instructional and extensive hands-on experiences in the following areas:

- historic overview of the origins of gravestone carving
- condition assessment of gravestones and monuments
- cleaning of sculpture, gravestones and monuments
- reset leaning gravestones

- conservation and repair of broken and fallen gravestones and monuments
- replacement of lost stone or stone elements with custom restoration mortars
- stone strengthening and consolidation of decay to weak or fragile gravestone and masonry
- documentation for future generations

General Education Outcomes:

Applied Education Outcomes:

1) Students will acquire entry-level skills specific to and appropriate for employment in their chosen field of study.

Students will learn repair and preservation techniques for historic gravestones.

3) Students will demonstrate safe practices and awareness of potential hazards in their field of expertise.

Students will demonstrate safe practices and awareness of potential hazards as required for material and tool handling.

Key Performance Indicators:

Each student will be evaluated by:

Taking a quiz at the testing center after the workshop (20% of grade)

Handing in field notes from workshop (20% of grade)

Being on time (10% of grade)

Participating, following instructions and assessment by the instructor (50% of grade)

Percentages are approximate.

Representative Text and/or Supplies:

The instructor will provide information about conservation treatments and materials employed throughout the workshop.

Optimum Class Size: 8

Maximum Class Size: 12

Signatures:

I hereby submit this course syllabus:

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