

# ARCL 235 Controlling Nature: Plant & Animal Domestication

Where does our food come from?

When and where were our staple foods first domesticated?

How were they transported around the world?

How have they changed from initial cultivation or breeding until they arrived on our plate today?

Plant and animal domestication revolutionized the life-ways of past peoples, their relationship with their environment, and their technological and social development. This course examines the origins of the food we eat; how, when and why humans became dependent of cultivated foods and domestic animals; and how we can recognize these fundamental shifts in subsistence in the archaeological record.

Pre-requisite: ARCL 103 recommended, but not essential

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