

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN
STATE UNIVERSITY

Office of the General Counsel

POLICY SUMMARY FORM

Policy Name: Curation of Archaeological Collections

Policy Number: 5.6

Is this policy new, being reviewed/revised, or deleted? Review/Revise

Date of last revision, if applicable: 7/23/2019

Unit(s) Responsible for Policy Implementation: Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Purpose of Policy (what does it do): Policy for the Anthropology and Archaeology Lab located here on campus.

Reason for the addition, revision, or deletion (check all that apply):

- Scheduled Review Change in law Response to audit finding
 Internal Review Other, please explain:

Please complete the appropriate section:

Specific rationale for new policy:

Specific rationale for each substantive revision: Deletion of Revenue Sharing paragraph and addition of information regarding storage of documents.

Specific rationale for deletion of policy:

Additional Comments:

Reviewers:

Academic Affairs Policy Committee
Lorenzo Smith, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Damon Derrick, General Counsel

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Original Implementation: April 20, 2010

Last Revision: ~~July 23, 2019~~ February 1, 2022

The Anthropology and Archaeology Lab (AAL) is a scientific research facility operated by the Department of Anthropology, Geography, and Sociology. The laboratory is certified by the Texas Historical Commission and is therefore eligible to charge for the curation of held in trust (HIT) archaeological collections, *and also for the storing of documents of Texas state projects where no artifacts were collected*. If accepted for curation, collections remain the property of the state of Texas, but Stephen F. Austin State University (SFA) agrees to care for them as stipulated by Texas Historical Commission guidelines. The AAL shall maintain a Collections Management Policy as defined in Rule 29.9 of the Texas Administrative Code. Collections must be prepared, recorded, and described according to the AAL's Collections Management Policy.

Eligible Collections

To be eligible for curation, a collection must be consistent with the mission statement of the AAL as filed with the Texas Historical Commission. Specifically, collections must be either pre- historic or historic in nature and must be important to the East Texas area. The university reserves the right to refuse any collection for curation. All accepted collections shall be accompanied by an approved deed of conveyance or other appropriate agreement.

Curation Fees

The AAL will publish a schedule of curation fees and reserves the right to amend these fees based upon the unique requirements of each collection. Curation fees shall be used by the AAL to offset laboratory expenses and to fund capital expenditures. The fee schedule shall be subject to approval by the provost and vice president for academic affairs and the vice president for finance and administration.

Revenue Sharing

~~SFA shall negotiate and maintain a revenue sharing agreement for HIT collections housed at the annex Mission Dolores Visitors Center in San Augustine, Texas. Collections existing prior to the execution of the revenue sharing are not eligible for revenue sharing under this policy. The terms and conditions of any revenue sharing agreement must be approved by the provost and vice president for academic affairs and signed by the president.~~

Cross Reference: Archaeological Repository Mission Statement; Collection Management Policy; Curation Fee Schedule; Antiquities Code of Texas, Tex. Nat. Res. §§ 191.058, .091-.092; 13 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 29.1-.9.

| **Responsible for Implementation:** Provost and *Executive* Vice President for Academic Affairs

Contact for Revision: Chair of the Department of Anthropology, Geography, and Sociology

Forms: None

Board Committee Assignment: Academic and Student Affairs