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Field School Fair Information

Dr. O’Gorman

• Finding Field Schools in Archaeology
  ◦ archaeology.about.com/cs/forbeginners/a/fieldschool.htm
  ◦ shovelbums.org
  ◦ Archaeological Institute of America

• Questions to Ask
  ◦ Who is teaching and how many students?
  ◦ What kind of site?
  ◦ What kind of research is going on?
  ◦ What techniques will I learn?
  ◦ How long is it?
    ▪ Most are between 6-8 weeks
  ◦ What costs am I responsible for?
  ◦ What is a normal day like?
  ◦ What are the living conditions like?
    ▪ Anywhere from camping to residential areas

• MSU Archaeological Field School
  ◦ Summer 2011 – Central Illinois River Valley
  ◦ 6 Weeks, Late May to Early July
  ◦ ANP 464
  ◦ Central Illinois Valley
    ▪ 6hr drive from campus
    ▪ Near Dixon Mound State Museum
    ▪ village cite, with adjacent cemetery
      ▪ shows level of health and warfare involving 2 different groups
      ▪ Found structures, ceramics, bone, pits, etc
    ▪ Unofficial Field Trips
      ▪ Mark Twain's Cave
    ▪ Official Field Trips
      ▪ Monk's Mound
      ▪ Illinois State Museum
      ▪ Live at a Duck Club 20-25mins from cite
        ▪ 2 people bedroom
        ▪ Dining and Kitchen Facilities
  ◦ Application Information
    ▪ Posted on Anthropology homepage
    ▪ Next January posted on schedule of classes and application deadline information
    ▪ 12-14 students
  ◦ Contact Dr. O’Gorman for additional information her office is in Baker Hall

Terry Brock

• Archaeological Field School at Michigan State University → MSU Campus Archaeology
  ◦ Ensures that MSU serves as a good steward towards its archaeological and cultural
resources

- 3 Main Goals
  - Teaching Students
  - Engaging Communities
  - Researching MSU's past

- The Historic Campus of MSU
  - 1855-1955
  - Found Base of College Hall: the very first building built at Michigan Agricultural College

- Four Different Sites Possible, maybe multiple
  - Beal's Botanical Laboratory → Burned Down in 1879
  - Beal's Greenhouses
  - College Hall Trash Deposits
  - Cowles House Trash Deposits
    - Oldest Buildings Still Standing on Campus

- What you will learn
  - Archaeological Methods
  - Lab Methods
  - Survey Methods
  - Archival Research
  - Public Archaeology
  - Learn about MSU's Past

- Specifics
  - June 1 – July 2
  - ANP 464
  - $150 + tuition for 6 credits
  - Applications Due March 5th
  - 20 Slots Open for Students

- Benefits
  - Can live wherever you would like in East Lansing
  - Can work a part time job while working at the field school

- Contact Information
  - Campusarch.msu.edu
  - Facebook.com/capmsu
  - twitter.com/capmsu
  - brockter@msu.edu
  - lynneg@msu.edu
  - Link from MSU Anthropology Facebook Page

Dr. Medina

- SocioCultural Anthropology
  - Different in many ways in regards to Research
    - Lone Ethnographer vs. Large groups of people working
    - Language Fluency is key
    - Challenging to pursue a specific research question
  - Personal Experience
    - Went to Caribbean and focused on a specific group of information (religion, gender, etc)
Overall wasn't the most effective way to gather information, no immediate

- Now works in Belize
  - Mayan Communities
  - Must meet with community leaders, must make your research benefit the community
- Difficult to create a field school
  - Need an open community that benefits from the many students present
- Field Schools she would recommend or not recommend
  - Talk to faculty that work in the region that you are interested in
  - They know about the region and why or why not to recommend the research opportunity
- Peru Field School Recommendation
  - Must be fluent in Spanish
  - Participatory Research Opportunities
    - Something that you cannot learn in a classroom
- Recommendations
  - Study Abroad in the region
    - Gives you a more structured view to the region
    - Look to see who is leading the Study Abroad and what their background is
      - Anthropology or Not, the program will specialize in that way
  - Discussions with Faculty
  - Language Fluency
  - Look for ListServs for the different areas you are interested in

Kate Patch → Graduate Student
- SocioCultural
- Does Research in Western Africa
- Background
  - Her University did not have 'non-western' study abroad opportunities
  - Did research project in Nigeria and Ghana for 2 months
    - Market Women Specifically
- Alternative Ways to get Field School Experience
  - American Anthropological Association
  - Hand-out for additional information
  - Talk to faculty and grad students
  - Study Abroad
    - Sees the area and lets you know whether you will hate it or love it
- Department Study Abroad
  - Ghana and Malawi every other year
  - Ghana
    - Study Abroad
    - Internship
    - Class Studies
    - First 6 weeks on campus
      - Accelerated Courses
    - 10 Weeks in the field
      - 2 weeks of an overview of living in the country
    - ANP 200 and an ISS Africa Course
    - Agriculture, development, Gender
• 8 Students
  ◦ Multiple Fields of Research
  ▪ Field Trips → Learn history, eco-tourism
    • Visit Slave Castles
    • Canopy Walks
    • Chiefs Palace
    • Monkey Sanctuary
    • Waterfalls
• Center for Global Studies
  ◦ Internships Coordinator – local, national, and international
  ◦ Application Information Sheet
Dr. John Frye
• Art and Archeology in Greece – 2010
  ◦ Classical Archaeology
  ◦ Athens, Greece
• See all of Greece that you can see
• Dig for the program
• See the important classical sites of Greece
• Site of Ismium → Near Canal
  ◦ Dig Team
  ◦ Roman Bath
    ▪ Built it on top of a Greek Swimming Pool
  ◦ Not a full permit to dig
    ▪ Routine Cite Maintenance
    ▪ Permission to clean up sites
• Difficult Problems facing classical archaeology and digging
• Looking at the buildings attached to a Late Roman Wall which they built over
  ◦ Roman Period Wall on top of a Greek Building
• Another Building incorporated in a Roman Wall
  ◦ Remains of a later roman or hellenistic walls architecture
  ◦ Clearing the area of weeds and plants in order to get a good look at the walls underneath
• Pariculars
  ◦ 4 weeks form mid-may until mid-june
  ◦ 8 credits
    ▪ HA 491 (1-3)
    ▪ CLA 491 (3)
    ▪ AL 400 (1-8)
  ◦ Expenses
    ▪ Program Fee ~ $3600
      • Includes Lunch, 2/3 breakfasts, and 2/3 dinners
    ▪ Tuition
    ▪ Airfare
    ▪ Spending Money
• More Information
  ◦ msugreece09.blogspot.com/
  ◦ studyabroad.msu.edu/programs/greeceartarch.html
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