

Special Edition on Summer Field Schools

Please enjoy this Special Edition of the CMA newsletter to highlight upcoming field schools.

Science Museum of Minnesota and the University of Minnesota

When: June 10 to July 5, 2019

Where: Lower St. Croix

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Description:

This year's field school will focus on survey in the Lower Saint Croix Valley between Marine On Saint Croix and Stillwater in Minnesota and Wisconsin. In particular, we will be testing areas of the Warner Nature Center, St. Croix Watershed Research Station, and Fred C. Anderson Scout Camp - areas of high potential for Precontact and Early Contact sites that have not been examined archaeologically.

Hamline University

When: June 3 to June 28, 2019

Where: Cottonwood County (Windom & Jeffers) and Scott County (Louisville Swamp)

Contact: Brian Hoffman bhoffman@hamline.edu

Description: The Department of Anthropology at Hamline University will be hosting a field school conducting pedestrian survey and shovel testing of lithic scatters and rock outcrops in Cottonwood County. Excavating a PDC workshop at Louisville.

North Dakota State University and the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

When: June 8 to July 14, 2019

Where: Bayfield, Wisconsin

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Description:

Gete Anishinaabe Izhichigewin

Learn about Anishinaabe lifeways, earn college credit in archaeological fieldwork, experience flint knapping and ancient cooking techniques, and collaborate with descendant community members. Open to Wisconsin and Minnesota tribal members enrolled in an undergraduate program.

Minnesota State University – Moorhead

When: May 28 to June 10, 2019

Where: Awatixa (Sakakawea) Village, Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site

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Description:

MSUM Field School in Geoarchaeology (Anth/Geos 455)

The primary objectives of 2019 investigations at Awatixa Village are to better understand its history of occupation, to explore economic and social differences among the community's households, and to study how natural processes such as riverbank erosion and rodent burrowing are impacting its long-term preservation. The project is a collaboration among the Paleocultural Research Group (PCRG), a nonprofit research and education organization, the National Park Service, the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Nation (MHA), Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM), Oklahoma State University, and other partners. The project will provide professional training for university students and MHA tribal members and will also offer significant public outreach through concurrent interpretive programs, video documentation,

and direct public participation. Fieldwork, which will occur in two sessions, will concentrate on threatened archaeological deposits on or near the cutbank. The first field session, involving the MSUM field school, will focus on site assessment through targeted geophysical surveys and cutbank profiling, while the second will focus on archaeological excavation. The goals for the first session include identification of threatened archaeological deposits and documentation of those deposits using a variety of methods, including high-resolution magnetic gradiometry survey, cutbank and downhole magnetic susceptibility testing, lidar and photogrammetric mapping, and geoarchaeological analysis. Goals for the second session include excavation of threatened archaeological deposits identified during the first field session.

University of Minnesota - Duluth

When: Summer 2020

Where: Duluth

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Description:

The University of Minnesota Duluth Anthropology Department plans to offer the archaeological field school course, ANTH 4696, during summer 2020. Both survey and excavation methods will be included. Projects will be within driving distance of Duluth. The 6-credit course will be over six weeks; dates to be announced. For more information contact Sue Mulholland by phone at 218-355-0153 or email at smulholl@d.umn.edu.