

Historical

ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD INSTITUTE



This two-week intensive field school offers hands-on experience in excavation and laboratory study of an archaeological site just across the Potomac River in Old Town Alexandria, Virginia.

The city has several historic districts and developed the first community archaeology program in America. Alexandria is the perfect place to investigate the Shuter's Hill plantation site and to learn about artifact identification and analysis at the Alexandria Archaeology Museum.

This summer's institute focuses on the excavation and study of an area of the site associated with enslaved African Americans. Working with the City of Alexandria's archaeologists, students will also discuss public heritage values and issues resulting in a public interpretive tour.

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Summer Institutes

Institute Details

PROGRAM DATES 2017

MAY 22 - 26

MAY 30 - JUNE 3

COST

Tuition (see website for most up-to-date tuition rates)

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See website for details.

INSTITUTE HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Practice writing field logs & recording data
- ▶ Work with Alexandria Archaeology Museum to wash, sort, identify, & analyze artifacts
- ▶ Workshops on excavation methods, laboratory processing methods, curation/ collection management issues, conservation, ceramics, glass, & faunal remains
- ▶ Two capstone experiences: (1) group discussion with the City of Alexandria's archaeologists, and (2) public tour of the site developed by students.

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