

**Center for American Archeology
Women in Archeology Internship Program 2007: June 4- August 10**

Postmark Deadline for Applications: February 23, 2007

Position Announcement

The Center for American Archeology (CAA), Kampsville, Illinois, is offering three internship positions for the summer of 2007 (June 4-August 10) for women graduate students with experience in archeology and related fields. Individuals interested in informal education, museum education, public programming, and other related fields are also welcome to apply. Because these positions are subsidized by the Monticello College Foundation, a former women's college, the internships are open only to women. The goal of the internship program is to develop and/or enhance each intern's professional skills in research project planning, implementation, and teaching. Teaching students of all ages in an intensive learning environment is a major component of the program.

Interns will work collaboratively with CAA staff, and have a diverse array of responsibilities during the summer, including (but not limited to) opening the site for the season, conducting field excavation, laboratory processing & management, and logistical operations. WIA Interns will act as key supervisory and teaching personnel for the CAA's summer excavation field school programs, including our High School Field School sessions, Adult Field School, Family Dig It Weekends, and other special events programming. Candidates for the internship should have excellent interpersonal and written communication skills, and should be willing and able to interact with both young people and adults in a positive, collegial learning environment. The summer experience will also include chaperoning participants in our residential High School Field School sessions.

Excavations will take place at TBGOK (*The Buried Gardens of Kampsville*), a Middle Woodland/Hopewell village site (ca. 50 BC – AD 250). TBGOK has yielded a large number of features indicative of longer-term village settlement as well as exotic trade goods (obsidian, copper, mica, Hopewell pottery). Our research goal will be to elucidate the nature and extent of these cultural deposits, and to analyze the site's placement and role within the context of the lower Illinois River valley region's archeological record.

The internship program and field excavation project will be directed by Mary Pirkel, Director of Education at the Center for American Archeology. You are welcome to contact her at marypirkl@caa-archeology.org for more information.

Compensation: Internships provide a stipend of \$1875 stipend for 10 weeks and room and board (meals Monday-Friday only). Interns are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from our area, as well as personal spending money.

Who May Apply: Women currently enrolled in graduate school or those who will begin their graduate education during the 2007-2008 academic year are eligible. Women who have recently matriculated from an undergraduate institution, who are in the process of applying to graduate school, and international applicants are also welcome to apply. Advanced undergraduates (juniors & seniors) will also be considered. Applicants should be at least 21 years old and have a valid driver's license; those who will turn 21 during the summer are not disqualified from applying.

Application Process: The selection process will consider statement of interest, recommendations from instructors, resume/CV, and personal statement. The following materials should be submitted to the Center for American Archeology for consideration postmarked no later than **February 23, 2007**:

1. Brief resume or curriculum vita;
2. Statement of interest in which you describe yourself, why you would like to participate in the program, your career goals, what benefit this program will be to you, and how your participation will enhance our program; and
3. One letter of recommendation from an instructor who can comment on your interests and abilities.

Each applicant should mail all materials directly to the CAA. Referees should enclose their letters in sealed envelopes and return it to the applicant to be mailed with her application packet.

Application packets postmarked after **February 23, 2007** will not be considered. Interns selected for the program should expect to be notified within two weeks after the application deadline, and will be asked to make their decisions within a week. **Please remember to include complete contact information with your application (address, email, phone) where you may be reached during the academic year and/or at home.**

Please send application packets to:

Women in Archeology Internship Program
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