

Archaeological Field Schools: University of Utah, Department of Anthropology

Individuals desiring to participate in one of our summer field schools should keep the following things in mind; 1) All three of our current field schools (Range Creek, Zooarchaeology Field School, and the Guatemalan Field School) will require that an application form be filled out. Details and forms can be found at anthro.utah.edu; 2) Permission from the relevant instructor must be granted prior to the student's registration into the field school; and 3) Individuals who are not currently University of Utah students are eligible to participate (with the instructors permission), but must apply to the University of Utah as non-degree-seeking (non-matriculated) students.

Individuals desiring more information about non-matriculated status should use the following link to University of Utah Admissions:

<http://admissions.utah.edu/apply/nondegree/>

Individuals who do desire to attend our field schools as non-matriculated students must be admitted into the University of Utah as non-degree-seeking participants for the summer semester. There is a \$55.00 fee to apply for admission, assuming that the student applies by the regular deadline.

Summer 2018 Deadlines and Fees

The regular deadline for summer semester 2018 admission into the University of Utah is March 15th (students should have their application, and all supporting documents submitted by March 15th). The Office of Admissions will accept applications for non-matriculated students through April 15th (late deadline)—but applications sent after the regular deadline will be charged a \$95 fee (\$55 application fee plus \$40 late fee). For summer-only non-matriculated students, the Registrar has set up a relatively simple procedure for you to apply (start here): <http://admissions.utah.edu/apply/nondegree/>

FAQ

1) How much do the field schools cost?

A: Field schools through our department are generally undertaken for college credit, therefore, the student will pay for the appropriate number of credits and any special fees/costs associated with the course (fees vary, please see the listings of each field school for details on how much each charges for special fees). Special fees pay for things like your transportation, lodging, supplies and food while the student is in the field.

Potential students can use the University of Utah's tuition calculator to estimate the cost of the credits (this does not include any special fees associated with the course). The tuition calculator can be accessed using this link:

<http://fbs.admin.utah.edu/income/tuition/tuition-calculator/>

2) I'm not a University of Utah student, can I participate in your field school(s)?

A: In some cases. If you are a college student in good standing at another college or university, you can apply for admission in the summer semester as a non-matriculated student. There are certain requirements, and additional fees that must be paid by non-matriculated students. Students seeking admission as a non-matriculated student should start with this link:

<http://admissions.utah.edu/apply/nondegree/>

3) I'm an Anthropology major—how will the field school credits count towards my degree? Are they upper or lower division credits?

A: All of our current field school classes are numbered in the 5000s, which means that they are advanced undergraduate (upper division) classes. Field school credits are normally placed in the "Additional Hours" portion of the ANTH undergraduate degree program. In some cases, they can count for a single class in the Topical or Geographical section of the ANTH major requirements. The Department will try to be as flexible as they can in

counting field school credits—but the student should be aware that not all credits may be able to be applied to the students major—we cannot, for example, split credits up. University of Utah Anthropology majors should consult with the Anthropology advisor *before* going to a field school to ensure that they understand how and how many of their field school credits can be counted towards their major requirements.

4) Can I go to a field school other than the University of Utah's?

A: Yes. In that case the student would be responsible for ensuring that their chosen field school is properly accredited, and that the credits can be transferred to their academic record here at the University of Utah. It is the student's responsibility to transfer their field school credits to the University.

5) Are field school credits considered upper division or lower division credits for my degree here at the University of Utah?

Although all of our field schools currently count as upper division credits—other field schools may report grades as lower division credits. Even though the Department of Anthropology may count your non-University of Utah field school credits as upper division, this is no guarantee that the University of Utah will count them as such. Students should consider and research all of these factors before planning on enrolling in a field school.

6) I'm planning on taking a non-University of Utah field school to count towards my Anthropology major during my last semester (semester of graduation)—is that recommended?

No. Transfer credits take time to work through the admissions system, and in many cases the credits will not show up on your transcript until well after the field school is completed, and most likely too late to clear you for graduation during that semester. This is not an issue if you're taking a field school directly through the department of Anthropology—but any non-University of Utah field school (whether in-state, out-of-state, or out-of-country) should be taken prior to the student's last semester.