



Adult Field School

July 12-August 13, 2010

5/4/10: Weeks 1, 2, & 3 are closed to new enrollments



The Center for American Archeology is pleased to offer **five** weeks of focused field excavation and laboratory experience for undergraduate students, graduate students, and other adults interested in participating in an intensive archeological experience. Our field school is a great opportunity to gain or enhance your skills in excavation and laboratory processing.

The Site: During Summer 2010, the CAA will be working at TBGOK (*The Buried Gardens of Kampsville*), a Middle Woodland/Hopewell village site (ca. 50 BC – AD 250).

Middle Woodland is a dynamic and exciting time period in the prehistory of our region, one characterized by extensive trade networks, mound building, horticulture-based economies, and the emergence of an elite ruling class. From 2004-2009, our excavation team discovered an extensive midden deposit containing Hopewell pottery, exotic trade goods (mica, copper, hornstone, obsidian), bones from numerous animal species (elk, turtle, deer, dog, river otter), and stone-lined post molds. During 2009, excavators also discovered additional evidence of post-supported structures, unexpected bone deposits, and well preserved ceramics. Your work at the site will make an important contribution to our understanding of this time period in the lower Illinois River valley region, one of the richest archeological areas of the Midwestern US.

Program: Participants may enroll for 1-5 weeks. Tuition includes room, basic field lunch (sandwiches, chips, etc.) each day, project-related supplies, and instruction; you'll also get a one-year membership in the CAA! Breakfast & dinner are on your own. Participants will stay at one of the CAA's bunkhouse-style dormitories; rooms are at minimum double-occupancy. Dormitories have refrigerators, microwaves, hot plates, and a BBQ grill. Participants are responsible for making their own transportation arrangements; the CAA can provide shuttle service to & from Lambert-St. Louis International Airport or the Alton, Illinois Amtrak station for a fee (see Registration Form).

1 Week: \$550	3 Weeks: \$1320
2 Weeks: \$1100	4 Weeks: \$1650
5 weeks: \$2000	



Limited scholarship support for women is available. Please follow the 'Opportunities' link on our main page for application & deadline details.

Who May Enroll: Enrollees must be 18 years or older.

Is This Program Right For Me?: This program is for adults who are interested in improving their excavation and laboratory skills in a structured, intensive work environment. The majority of your time will be spent in the field, with evenings (and bad weather days) spent completing essential laboratory work. Reasonably fit individuals who are capable of working outdoors in hot, humid weather (shoveling, troweling, lifting, etc.) should be physically able to participate. Participants should be able to work collaboratively with others in an intensive, immersion-style learning & living community that emphasizes collegiality.

Credit for the Program: This program does not carry academic credit; however, we are happy to work with you if you petition your university/college for credit – we'll supply supporting information and evaluation of your participation in the program. Many of our previous students have gone on to successfully earn credit for their work.

Enrollment Process: Complete the Registration Form and return it to the CAA Office along with your 30% deposit or full payment. *Scholarship applicants should **not** send a deposit with their enrollment forms.*

Upon receipt of a completed Registration Form, we will send you a confirmation letter and a packet of additional information. ***Please note that your remaining tuition balance is due one week before the program begins.***

What Forms Do I Need to Complete?: Registration Form, Assumption of Risk/Permission to Photo Form, Adult Medical Form. These are available from the "Registration Packet" link on the main page.

NOTE: Registration for the program closes one week prior to the start of each session. Enrollment is limited to 10 individuals per week.