



# PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL IN COLONIAL ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Fort Vancouver National Historic  
Site and Lewis & Clark National  
Historical Park

June 16-July 25, 2020

Join a team from Portland State University, Washington State University Vancouver, and the National Park Service to explore some of the most important colonial sites in Oregon and Washington.

Become proficient in archaeological field techniques; including survey, testing, and excavation while you participate in an award-winning field research program.

Employ mobile information technology in a variety of field situations, including field excavation and grave monument documentation to expand the use of mobile devices in heritage preservation and cultural resources management (CRM).

Acquire skills in laboratory processing of artifacts, basic artifact identification, and techniques of archaeological analysis, including some of the earliest Euro-American material culture in the region.

Learn skills from National Park Service interpreters and public archaeology experts on how to engage with a diverse public, and explore the meaning of archaeology with children and adults from many communities.

WEEKS 1-4 (June 16-July 11) at Fort Vancouver National Historic Site in Vancouver, Washington

WEEKS 5-6 (July 14-25) at Lewis and Clark National Historic Site in Oregon and Washington (planned work at Cape Disappointment in Washington and Fort Clatsop in Oregon)

Learning Objectives:

- **Research Design:** implementation of a research design through the collection and preparation of field samples, examination of different ways to collect information, adjustment of research designs based on finds and contingencies, exploration of reasoning, ethical considerations;
- **Critical Thinking:** appropriate techniques for analysis and interpretation of archaeological phenomena including how to make inferences from material culture data, understanding and interpretation of site taphonomic and formation processes, and comparison and assessment of different ways of viewing the past through historical documents, oral traditions, and archaeological resources;
- **Communication:** field writing skills, including the distinct separation of observation from interpretation, development of inferences and arguments based on data, analytical writing skills through written assignments, an understanding of measurement systems and numerical recording systems in archaeological data collection, the presentation of numerical data in in-field inference and analysis, and interpretation to the public through public engagement including the Kids Digs program;
- **Professional Etiquette:** appropriate ways to work with other team members in research and to engage constructively with site visitors, including indigenous communities, youth groups, and the general public.

## Course Registration Information

 Portland State UNIVERSITY <b>Portland State University</b>	 <b>Washington State University – Vancouver</b>
<b>Anthropology 454</b> SIX advanced undergraduate credits	<b>Anthropology 399</b> SIX undergraduate credits
<b>Anthropology 554</b> SIX graduate credits	<b>Anthropology 599</b> SIX graduate credits
CONTACT: <b>Portland State University</b> Dr. Douglas Wilson (360) 921-5241 E-mail Dr. Wilson: <a href="mailto:doug@pdx.edu">doug@pdx.edu</a> For cost options, see below	CONTACT: <b>Washington State University – Vancouver</b> Dr. Colin Grier Email Dr. Grier: <a href="mailto:cgrier@wsu.edu">cgrier@wsu.edu</a> Contact Dr. Grier for <b>cost</b> options

FOR AN APPLICATION, CLICK HERE  
<https://forms.gle/CeMV439RzZEQXXVo8>

For early notification, please submit application by April 1, 2020.

Notification of early applications will be by April 15, 2020.

**Applications are due no later than May 1, 2020.**

**Notification of acceptance will be by May 15, 2020.**

### COST OPTIONS

Estimates of tuition and fees for Portland State University are listed at:

[https://www.pdx.edu/student-financial/sites/www.pdx.edu.student-financial/files/AY19\\_20Tuition%26Fees\\_0.pdf](https://www.pdx.edu/student-financial/sites/www.pdx.edu.student-financial/files/AY19_20Tuition%26Fees_0.pdf)

In addition, a course fee of approximately \$700 will be assessed to cover this year's two-week field trip to the Oregon and Washington Coast and to replace consumable field gear and equipment.

If you are on financial aid, please email [Doug\\_Wilson@nps.gov](mailto:Doug_Wilson@nps.gov) for further information.