

Archaeology & Anthropology Undergraduate Summer Fieldwork Awards



Application deadline: March 1 2026 * Applications will open Feb 1

Apply through PittFund\$Me!

This award is for undergraduates to attend a field school program in archaeology, bioarchaeology, or ethnography / cultural anthropology, or to engage in a summer field research project mentored by a faculty member or graduate student.

Awards from \$500 to approximately \$2500 depending on associated program costs, availability of funds, and student financial aid eligibility. Awards for field school programs are contingent on acceptance to field school.

Eligibility:

- Minimum GPA: 3.0. (Exceptions may be made in special circumstances).
- Minimum length of field school or field project: 3 weeks.
- Students applying for an archaeology / bioarchaeology program must have taken at least one course in archaeology / bioarchaeology. Students applying for an ethnographic field school or cultural anthropology project must have taken Intro to Cultural Anthropology and at least one additional Anthropology course.
- Preference given to Anthro majors and to students applying in sophomore or junior year.
- Preference given to funding first-time field experiences in the relevant subdiscipline.

Application materials include:

- Unofficial transcript.
- Personal statement about the summer field school or research project.
- Budget of anticipated costs and total amount requested.
- Statement of support from a faculty member.

OR, for summer research projects that are not part of a field school, a separate letter of reference from the faculty or graduate student mentor who will be supervising.

Students are encouraged to seek additional sources of funding. At Pitt these include the [Nationality Rooms scholarship](#), [Honors College research fellowships](#), the [Musante fellowship](#) (for students pursuing the CLAS certificate), [SURA research awards](#), etc. External sources include the [Jane C. Waldbaum](#) scholarship among others; see the list at the [Institute for Field Research](#).