

# ANTH 454/455: UIUC Island and Coastal Archaeology Summer Field School

June 16 – July 26, 2021



This course is a summer archaeological field school, a hands-on learning experience in archaeology. The class introduces archaeological field techniques and outlines a critical understanding of the methods and approaches by which archaeology and heritage are interpreted. Through exercises and participation in an archaeological research project, students will be introduced to the methods of archaeological survey, excavation, data and materials recovery, recording, and processing.

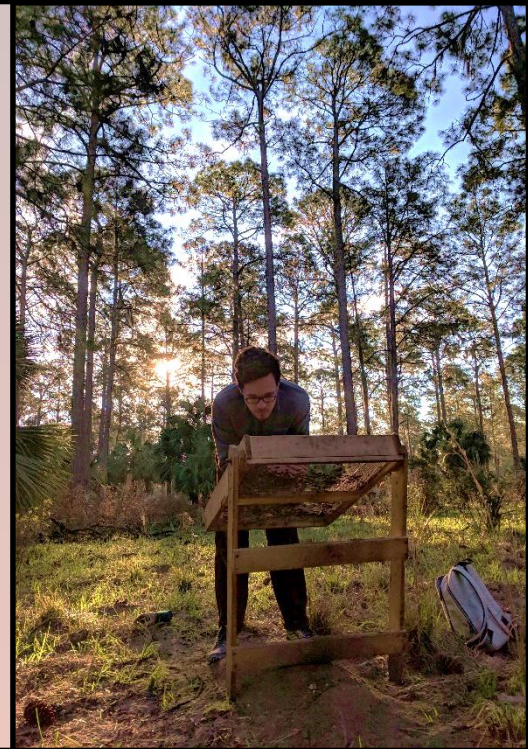
Students will be encouraged to critically examine how archaeological knowledge is constructed and expressed. Because the class is held in a remote location, students are also required to learn to live and work together as a group while they contribute to the success of a long-term archaeological research project.

## Location: Sapelo Island, Georgia

- Survey and excavate one of the largest and longest occupied sites on the Georgia Coast
- Investigate how the political collapse and abandonment of a neighboring region affected Native Americans living on the Georgia Coast during the 14<sup>th</sup> century
- Study how past peoples lived life and practiced community in the coastal environment

## You Will Learn:

- Shovel Test Survey
- Block Excavation
- Topographic Mapping
- Shallow Geophysical Survey, such as Ground Penetrating Radar
- Research Design and Implementation
- Artifact Processing, Identification, and other Laboratory Methods



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Cost – 6 Credit Hours + \$600 Course Fee

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