

American Museum of Natural History – North American Archaeology Lab

Volunteer Position Announcement

The American Museum of Natural History is now accepting applications for our Summer Lab Researcher positions. Our Summer Lab Researchers will staff the North American Archaeology (NAARCH) Lab. The NAARCH Lab currently focuses on the handling, storage, and analysis of a wide variety of artifacts from coastal Georgia. Past Lab Researchers have had the opportunity to work with Native American ceramics, historic European pottery, Spanish colonial material culture, and a number of other material culture types.

Individuals interested in joining the NAARCH Lab staff will have to be highly motivated, patient, and detail-oriented. We will be accepting applications from both upper level undergraduates as well as graduate students. Individuals who have not yet completed their Sophomore year need not apply unless they have extensive experience that off-sets their lack of academic training. Prior Archaeological experience in either the field or in the lab is not necessary, but will be a factor in our selection.

The Lab Researchers are unpaid, volunteer-level positions. While course credit can be offered to those individuals enrolled in an accredited school of higher learning, applicants do not need to be currently enrolled in order to apply (recent graduates are encouraged to apply). The term of employment will be from June through August. The Museum asks 15 hours a week (2 days) from its Lab Staff (No weekends).

Applications will be accepted until April 6th, while late applications will not be reviewed, early submissions will be received favorably. Interested applicants should send a resume and a 1-page statement of purpose to either sanger@amnh.org or gmahar@amnh.org or to:

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The statement of purpose should briefly outline the applicant's prior experience in archaeology as well as their future plans within the discipline. Individuals with questions should feel free to email (sanger@amnh.org) the NAARCH Lab.