Robert Stigler Fund
for Archaeological Fieldwork
Dept. of Anthropology, Columbia University

The Department of Anthropology, Columbia University, is now accepting applications for the Robert Stigler Fund for Archaeological Fieldwork, for summer 2016. All full-time students at Columbia, Barnard, and General Studies, both undergraduate and graduate, are eligible to apply, excepting those students who will graduate before their proposed field season. Preference will be given to students majoring in Archaeology and Anthropology, but students in other related fields (e.g., Art History and Archaeology, Classics) may also apply. Awards typically run about $300 to $1,000, depending on the needs of the student. We anticipate being able to support about 8-10 students, depending on the level of funding available.

Types of costs that can be covered

Awards are most often given for travel costs to archaeological field locations. On occasion, some per diem costs may be covered along with incidental supplies (e.g., trowels, brushes, paper, film).

Examples of types of costs that cannot be covered

The award cannot be used to pay the costs of tuition or room and board at a field school.

Application

The application must contain the following sections:

1. Title page, with full name, student ID number, program (major and school), address, phone number, title of project, and research location.
2. Description of the proposed fieldwork (3-4 pages), including the nature of the project or field school and how participating in the project will contribute to your education.
3. Itemized budget.
4. Transcript from your current school (e.g., Columbia, Barnard, GSAS).
5. The names of two faculty at Columbia University who can be contacted for a recommendation.

The applications are due April 21st, 2016, to Prof. T. D’Altroy (tnd1@columbia.edu), Columbia Anthropology. No applications will be accepted after this date.

Announcement of Awards

The amount of money available for grants in the Stigler Fund varies from year to year, as it is based on a bequest. We will announce the awards of grants as soon as we know the amount of money that will be available, which usually occurs early in May.

Procedures and accounting

1. The awards are made on a reimbursement basis. That is, the Anthropology Department will reimburse recipients upon submission of a completed report and receipts by the end of September in the Fall 2016 term.
2. Reimbursement requires ORIGINAL RECEIPTS IN THE NAME OF THE AWARD RECIPIENT. Photocopies of receipts or other facsimiles are not accepted by the Columbia University Controller’s Office.

NB. Only continuing students are eligible; graduating students may not apply.