

Southern Texas Archaeological Association

2015 Field School Scholarship Application

The Southern Texas Archaeological Association is a non-profit group of avocational and professional archaeologists founded in 1974 and dedicated to the study, reporting, recording, promotion, and conservation of both prehistoric and historic archaeological sites in South Texas. The purpose of the STAA Field School Scholarship is to encourage and support undergraduate and graduate field school studies in Texas Archaeology. The award is open to any student enrolled in any public or private university (regardless of location – state, national or international) provided that the student is participating in a field school within the geographic boundaries of the State of Texas. Fieldwork participation includes, but is not limited to, excavation, survey, lab work, conservation, drafting and other forms of documentation performed in the context of an active field project. It does not include field work lasting two weeks or less. There is a single **\$1,000 Scholarship** for 2015 and award criteria are based on demonstrated interest and ability, the opinion of references provided, and upon the statement of interest provided by the applicant.

Please fill out the form below to apply for the STAA Field School Scholarship. Scholarship is for **Texas field schools ONLY** and is competitively based.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SENT VIA E-MAIL ALONG WITH ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS. A single pdf is acceptable. No mailed applications will be accepted. DEADLINE is MIDNIGHT, April 10, 2015. Once your application has been received, you will receive an email message confirming your submission and whether or not it is complete and eligible for consideration. Incomplete or ineligible applications will be returned and not considered for award.

The award announcement will be made no later than April 24, 2015. Funds will be awarded no later than May 15, 2015 and contingent on verification of participation in a Texas Field School. All scholarship applicants will be notified of the award decision of the STAA Board.

If you have any questions, please contact Clinton McKenzie, Chairman of the STAA Field School Scholarship Committee at 210-279-2855 or clinton.mckenzie@utsa.edu.

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING

1. General Information:

Last Name:

First Name:

Email:

Current Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code

College or University attending:

Year in School at time of application:

Major/Minor Field of Study:

Cumulative GPA:

2. Proposed Field School (Note – Field School attendance must be a minimum of two full weeks).

Name of excavation or project you wish to join

Website /URL for the excavation or project you wish to join (if available):

Where is it located (Project **must be located in Texas**)?

Name of dig and project director:

Contact Information for Project Director (e-mail preferred):

Name of sponsoring institution(s)

Have you ever participated in an archaeological field project before?

How long are you staying on this project? (Note: required stay is a **minimum** of 2 weeks).

What is your role on this project?

3. Statement of Interest

Provide a brief statement, 300 words or less, of why you are applying for the scholarship.

4. Anticipated Expenses

For Example:	Transportation	\$0.00
	Room and board while at dig	\$0.00
	Field School tuition if applicable	\$0.00
	Other anticipated expenses (please enumerate)	\$0.00
	Total estimated expenses	

5. Academic & Professional References (you must provide at least ONE Academic Reference – the second reference may be either academic or professional):

First Reference: Last Name

First Reference: First Name

First reference email

Title (e.g. professor, assistant professor, teaching assistant, etc.)

Department

Institution

Second Reference: Last Name
Second Reference: First Name
Second reference email
Title (e.g. professor, assistant professor, teaching assistant, etc.)
Department
Institution

5. Please read and sign the following Statement of Agreement:

If awarded the STAA Texas Field School Scholarship, I agree to:

- Abide by the terms of the award
- Submit to the STAA a letter from the principal investigator, director or administrator of the field school certifying my acceptance as a participant no later than May 15, and that my funding is predicated on this evidence of participation.
- Submit a letter report to the STAA on the use of the scholarship and what it meant to me within 90 days of the end of my chosen field school, and, if asked, to make a presentation to the STAA regarding my field school experience at a quarterly STAA meeting (student will be paid an honorarium to defray travel expenses associated with the presentation).
- Join the STAA at the student membership rate if not already a member.

Signature

CHECK LIST FOR APPLICANTS:

- 1. Provide answers to General Information Questions**
- 2. Provide information on the field school you plan to attend**
- 3. Write a statement of purpose no more than 300 words**
- 4. Provide a proposed budget with sources and uses (income and expenses)**
- 5. Provide two academic references**
- 6. Read and sign the Statement of Agreement**

PLEASE SCAN ALL THE DOCUMENTS AS A SINGLE PDF

**NAME THE DOCUMENT USING YOUR LAST NAME AND 2015STAAFSS,
e.g. McKenzie_2015STAAFSS.**

SUBMIT THE PDF TO clinton.mckenzie@UTSA.edu no later than MIDNIGHT APRIL 10, 2015.