WHY ARCHAEOLOGY?

Archaeology is an exciting, hands-on discipline that merges history and science, helping clarify questions about humanity’s shared past. No matter what one’s major field of study or future career plans, participating in an excavation is a rewarding and enriching experience. Students are introduced to new scientific methodologies and hone teamwork skills while contributing to original research and furthering our understanding of history. Results of the excavation are reported on a yearly basis, and all Field School participants are credited in the Report.

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Archaeology in Italy
San Giuliano Archaeological Research Project
a Baylor-led research project for undergraduates

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June 1 - July 10, 2019
THE SAN GIULIANO ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH PROJECT (SGARP)

Research conducted by this archaeological field school program targets the rich and virtually unexplored archaeological past of San Giuliano, approximately one hour north of Rome. Best known for the hundreds of Etruscan chamber tombs (900-300 BC), tantalizing finds suggest San Giuliano was occupied by the Late Bronze Age (1300-900 BC). Habitation on the plateau continued under the Roman Empire and the site remained important into the Middle Ages, before being abruptly abandoned around AD 1300. Two mysteries persist. First, the houses and buildings of the Etruscan town associated with the tombs remain completely undiscovered. SGARP aims to find the settlement and explore its associated necropolis, studying how the inhabitants lived, died, and were buried at the site. Second, with the absence of historical documents no one yet understands the forces that caused the local population behind to fortify themselves behind castle walls. SGARP aims to understand this process as well as the sudden abandonment of the castle.

Field School students will receive hands-on training in archaeology while conducting research that will help answer these important questions. They will gain a working knowledge of field methods including survey, excavation, laboratory analysis, artifact cataloging, and conservation, while earning six Baylor course credits.

The team stays near the site in Barbarano Romano, a quaint and picturesque village with a rich history. Class and fieldwork will take place Monday through Friday; Saturday and Sunday are designated for travel to other Italian cities and archaeological sites. Some weekend excursions will be group travel covered by the course fee and some weekend days will be free time for students to explore on their own.

WEEKEND EXCURSIONS FOR 2019

The team will travel to Rome, the Etruscan site of Cerveteri, the culturally rich towns of Viterbo and Assisi, as well as the beach site of Santa Severa and the ancient lakeside town Bolsena.

This is a partial list and subject to change as necessary.

2019 COURSES AND FEES:

Course Credit: 6 Credits of Anthropology, (ANT4670); Fulfills BIC World Cultures 5 course

Program Fee: $4000* covers lodging and all meals during the week, lodging and museum/site entrance fees on weekend excursions, all travel within Italy, medical/crisis insurance)

This price does not include tuition or roundtrip airfare to Rome, which students will purchase on their own. This allows for the use of airline miles, and for students to book travel from the airport of their choosing or to add time in Europe to the beginning or end of the trip if desired.

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*final price not yet determined