

MUSEO CONTISUYO

CONTISUYO ARCHAEOLOGICAL LAB SCHOOL IN PERU

June 25 – August 5, 2023

Program Description

Learn basic techniques in artifact analysis and study human osteology with collections from the Wari site of Cerro Baúl and others dating to later periods (ca. 600-1500CE). The museum and archaeological sites are located in Moquegua, Peru, where a number of different groups interacted with each other over the course of several centuries including Wari, Tiwanaku, Chiribaya, and Inka. The goal of the analysis is to determine differences in daily life, ceramic and lithic technology, diet, health, and mortuary practices. You will participate in this exciting research.

The program includes two courses: ATY 479—Analysis of Archaeological Data, which will consist of preliminary introduction to the analysis of ceramics, lithics, faunal remains, and textiles; and ATY 453—Human Osteology, which will introduce techniques associated with the analysis of human skeletal remains such as paleopathology. Both courses will prepare students for future employment by providing hands-on experiences with a number of different material types and familiarity with museum curation practices.



Student working with artifacts in the field school laboratory in Moquegua, Peru.

Eligibility

Students should have an overall GPA of 2.8 with at least one previous course in anthropology, archaeology or art history. Biology majors or pre-med students are also encouraged to apply. Spanish skills are not required.



Students explore the ruins of Camata, a local Inka site on one of many field trips included in the program.

Logistics

Housing is provided in a rented house in the colonial town of Moquegua, founded in the 16th century by Spanish conquistadors on the site of an Inka town. Meals are provided Monday through Saturday. Students walk a few blocks to the museum each day or meet in the town square for weekly field excursions.

Program Costs & Registration

Students will earn six credits, room, board, transportation from airport and to field trips is provided from June 25 to August 5, 2023. Students are responsible for airfares and two weekend meals. Program fees are \$4200. You can find a link to the online application at https://studyabroad.uncg.edu/

Application Deadline: December 1, 2022
Non-UNCG students pay an additional fee ~\$65.

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