

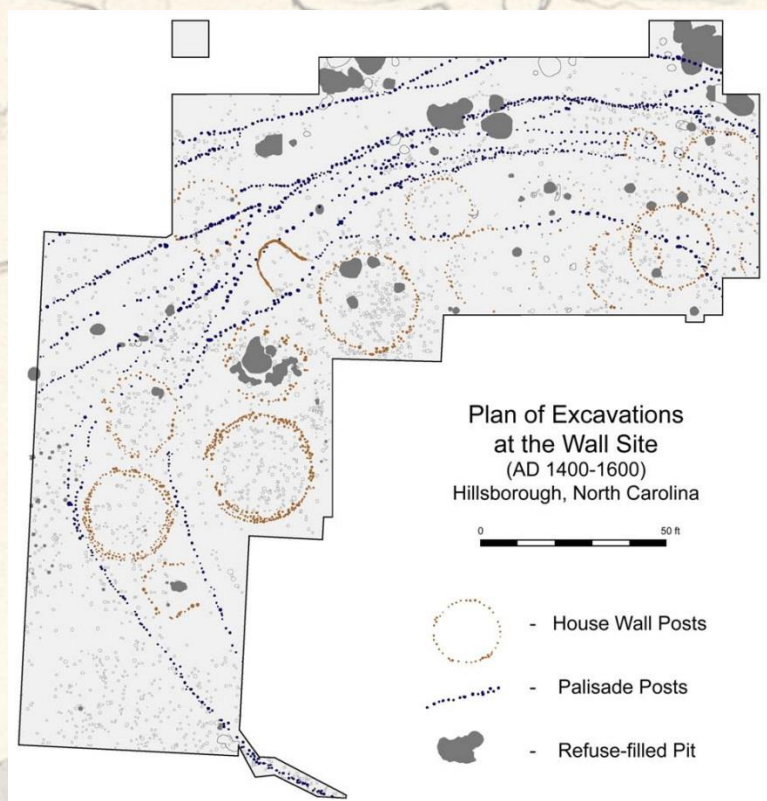
# 2015 UNC Archaeological Field School at Hillsborough Anthropology 451



**6 Experiential Learning Credits**



Have you ever wanted to be part of an archaeological excavation? Take this course, learn to excavate, earn six hours of college credit AND fulfill your experiential education requirement along with a requirement for the UNC Major in Archaeology. UNC's 2015 summer field school in archaeology will excavate the late pre-contact Wall site outside of Hillsborough, North Carolina (just north of Chapel Hill). This excavation is part of on-going archaeological research to obtain significant evidence about Native Americans in the Carolina Piedmont immediately before and during the period of contact with Europeans.



The Wall site represents a Native American fortified town that was occupied during the sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries by ancestors of the Shakori and Eno tribes who were local to the Chapel Hill area. Extensive excavations of the site in 1940-1941, 1983-1984, and in 2001-2002 revealed several circular alignments of postholes where houses once stood, evidence for multiple defensive walls, called stockades, surrounding the village, and dense deposits of refuse within a thick midden at the northern edge of the site. The 2015 field school excavations will add to this growing body of archaeological evidence about the Wall site and, in particular, will investigate an area along the northern edge of the village where, in 2002, unexpected evidence was found for a seventeenth-century, early historic-period occupation.

Students in the 2015 Archaeological Field School will recover artifacts and reveal traces of houses and other features that document the Native American occupation of the Wall site on the eve of European colonization of North America. Field school students will learn the basic techniques of archaeological excavation, as well as mapping, surveying, photography, and artifact identification. Although some classroom and laboratory instruction will be given, most of the students' time will be spent actually excavating.

The course will be taught by Drs. Stephen Davis and Brett Riggs, with additional instruction from graduate assistants and other staff of the Research Laboratories of Archaeology.

Students who successfully complete the course will be prepared for a variety of future research and employment opportunities, including paid positions on other archaeological projects.

The 2015 Summer Archaeological Field School is open to undergraduate students and anyone with a college degree. Participants must enroll in Anthropology 451 for 6 credit hours. There are no formal prerequisites, but potential students must fill out a brief [application](#). Enrollment will be limited to about 12 students. Applicants will be informed as to whether they have been accepted into the course by April 6.

The 2015 Summer Archaeological Field School will meet weekdays on site from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, beginning on Tuesday, May 13th, and ending on Thursday, June 18, 2015 (First Summer Session). We will leave campus each morning at 7:30 am and return before 5:00 pm. Daily transportation to the site, as well as all field equipment, will be provided by the University.

The following tuition and fees apply for undergraduates: \$1380.00 for North Carolina residents (\$230 per credit hour); \$3540.00 for out-of-state residents (\$590 per credit hour). (These estimates may change slightly by the time of registration.)

Inquiries about the 2015 Archaeological Field School are welcomed, and should be made to Dr. Stephen Davis, Research Laboratories of Archaeology, 108 Alumni Building, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3120 (telephone 919-962-3845; email [rpsdavis@unc.edu](mailto:rpsdavis@unc.edu)).

Because enrollment is limited, students must apply in advance and obtain permission to register. Application forms can be [downloaded](#) and also are available from the Research Laboratories of Archaeology at the address just given. UNC applicants must arrange for a brief interview; non-UNC applicants should submit at least one letter of reference. In order to be guaranteed full consideration, potential students should apply no later than April 1, 2015.

Visiting students may obtain additional information from the [Summer School](#), 134 E. Franklin St., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3340 (telephone 919-966-4364).