St. Mary's College of Maryland

Archaeological Field School at Cremona Estate June 6-July 15, 2016 (6 credits)







Join the St. Mary's College Anthropology Department for their annual archaeological field school. This summer we will continue field work at the former 17th and 18th century plantation of West Ashcom at Cremona Estate in Mechanicsville, St. Mary's County, Maryland. Our focus will be the former great house, surrounding outbuildings and yards, continuing work that has been ongoing since 2013. Our goal is to understand how the Ashcom family, the enslaved, and servants experienced daily life in the colonial Chesapeake.

Field and Laboratory training specific to CRM mitigation following Maryland State Guidelines will be highlighted including:

- Survey (pedestrian and shovel testing).
- Mapping using GPS, total station, and low-altitude aerial photography using drones.
- Phase II excavations.
- Field processing of artifacts as well as curation and cataloging of artifacts in the lab.

Students will earn 6 credit hours for the 6 week program. This course meets ELAW and Museum Studies internship requirements. Students may register for credits in Anthropology (ANTH352) or History (HIST310).

At the conclusion of the field school, opportunities for immediate employment in St. Mary's College of Maryland archaeological projects for outstanding students are available.

For more information and to apply, contact Professor Liza Gijanto at lgijanto@smcm.edu, or visit www.smcm.edu/anthropology.