

Field Research in Southwest Archaeology Lowry Community Study - Pigg Site Excavations Summer 2009

The Department of Anthropology at Fort Lewis College is pleased to announce a third season of fieldwork opportunities at Pigg Pueblo for the summer of 2009. Pigg Pueblo is a Pueblo II/Pueblo III Period component of the Lowry Community in Southwestern Colorado. The village consists of numerous unit pueblos adjacent to the Lowry Great House, a Chacoan Outlier that was excavated and stabilized by Paul S. Martin of the Field Museum of Natural History in the 1930s.

SUMMER 2009 OBJECTIVES

The 2009 season will continue a long-term research project focused on Pigg Pueblo and the greater Lowry Community. In addition to our ongoing research issues, including chronology, intra-community relationships and identity as expressed in architectural remains, this summer will focus on the complete excavation of one of the village's many kivas. Our goal is to explore the notion that this structure was as much a domestic structure as it was a ritual space.

The course (Anthropology 390) is intended for, but not limited to, students

Pigg Locus

Pigg Site (5MT4802)
Showing Focus of
Excavations

Pre-2007
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with some prior field experience. Emphasis will be placed not on basic field techniques, but on experience related to issues of sampling and recovery techniques. Because this course is a component of Fort Lewis College's Certificate Program in Heritage Resource Management, public outreach, archaeological ethics, and CRM law will also be incorporated into the learning experience.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE

Fieldwork is scheduled to begin June 22, 2009 and will conclude on July 31, 2009. Living conditions are primitive and all students will be responsible for their own living accommodations and meal preparation. Tents and other equipment will be made available to students through Fort Lewis College's Outdoor Pursuits Program if necessary and all students will receive a \$600.00 stipend to help pay for their meals.



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PROGRAM COSTS

The total cost for the experience is \$1040.00 regardless of residency. This covers tuition and program costs not

suppored by the Colorado Historical Fund grant (#2009-02-054). Please contact Dr. Riggs or the Fort Lewis College Continuing Education office for information about tuition. Because Native American students who attend Fort Lewis College are not required to pay tuition, Native American Students, regardless of residency, will not be charged tuition to take this course.

Applications can be found online at: http://faculty.fortlewis.edu/RIGGS_C/. To be competitive students should a GPA of 3.0 or higher, and should be willing to adapt to less than comfortable, outdoor living conditions. The application deadline is April 1, 2009, and students will be notified of acceptance by April 15, 2009. A deposit of \$500.00 (\$200.00 non-refundable) is due upon notification of acceptance.

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