# ANTHR 396: Archaeological Field Methods

The 2017 Department of Anthropology Archaeological Field School

START PLANNING NOW ...



May 23-June 23, 2017 Institute of Prairie Archaeology On the Mattheis and Kinsella Ranches, Rangeland Research Institute, University of Alberta



For more information visit https://sites.google.com/a/ualberta.ca/ipa/home/field-schools

Some basic information for those planning on taking the field school...

## Why Should Archaeology Majors Take a Field School?

- Exposure to the fieldwork that draws most of us to the discipline.
- Programme requirement at many institutions, even once you are seeking a graduate degree.
- Dramatically influences employability in field projects, whether in research or archaeological (cultural) resource management work.
- Archaeological research permit holders in jurisdictions like Alberta must have an accredited field school experience.
- ...and its fun, an experience that may last you a lifetime!



## Some Specifics About the University of Alberta Field School

- ➤ It is offered every second year:
  - > .... to allow for time-consuming artifact processing, analysis and reporting.
- Schedule your degree courses with this in mind.
- First in favour of taking a field school earlier rather than later in your degree process.
- Offered through the *Institute of Prairie* Archaeology:
  - High calibre, realistic, cost-effective training.
  - ➤ Our field school graduates are valued by regulatory agencies (like the Archaeological Survey, Historic Resources Management Branch, Alberta Culture and Tourism and by private sector consultants).



## **Key Facts for Now**

- Field School held May 23-June 23.
  - Allows for a break after classes, and leaves you some time for summer employment.
- Further orientation sessions in the *Institute of Prairie Archaeology (IPA)* lab, HUB 8915 in 2016-17.
- > Some week 1 and 5 activities in IPA.
- ➤ Balance of Field School activities to be held at Mattheis and Kinsella Ranches, operated by the *Rangeland Research Institute*, ALES Faculty, and at the Brazeau Reservoir in the Drayton Valley area.
- Opportunities to see other important sites and meet First Nations ceremonialists.
- Food provided; either campground or bunkhouse accommodation.



### Fall/Winter Tuition for Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents 2015-2016

#### **Calculating Course Fees**

Every course at the University of Alberta has a fee index. This is represented by the (fi X) beside each course listed in the <u>University of Alberta Calendar</u>. Most undergraduate courses have a fee index of 6 for a three-credit course or 12 for a six-credit course. The cost of a course is therefore determined by multiplying the fee index of each course by the fee index value that is determined by the Board of Governors.

2015 - 2016	Full Course ★3 weight fi = 6 credit	Full Course  *3 weight  fi = 6  audit	Full Course  *6 weight  fi = 12  credit	Full Course  *6 weight  fi = 12  audit
Tuition (index value = \$88.68)	\$532.08	\$266.04	\$1,064.16	\$532.08

Fees are assessed after a student has registered. For Spring/Summer registrations, student-specific fee assessments are available online in **mid February**. For Fall/Winter registrations, student-specific online fee assessments are available in **early July**. The fee assessments are located in <u>Bear Tracks</u> under Financials > Fee Assessment.

#### Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences, Arts, Education, Med Lab Science, Native Studies, Physical Education, Radiation Therapy, Faculté Saint-Jean

	Full Time per Term (15 units of course weight)	Part Time per Term (6 units of course weight)
Tuition	2,660.40	1,064.16
Registration & Transcripts	76.28	38.14
Student Services	57.08	28.54
Students' Union Membership Fees	39.05	19.04
Students' Union Dedicated Fees	43.19	40.11
Students' Union Health Plan	118.00	118.00
Students' Union Dental Plan	116.50	116.50
PAW Centre Fee	26.58	26.58
CoSSS	153.08	76.54
<u>U-Pass</u>	135.42	135.42
Athletics and Recreation	82.00	41.00
Health Services	27.06	13.53
TOTAL	\$3,534.64	\$1,717.56

## Costs

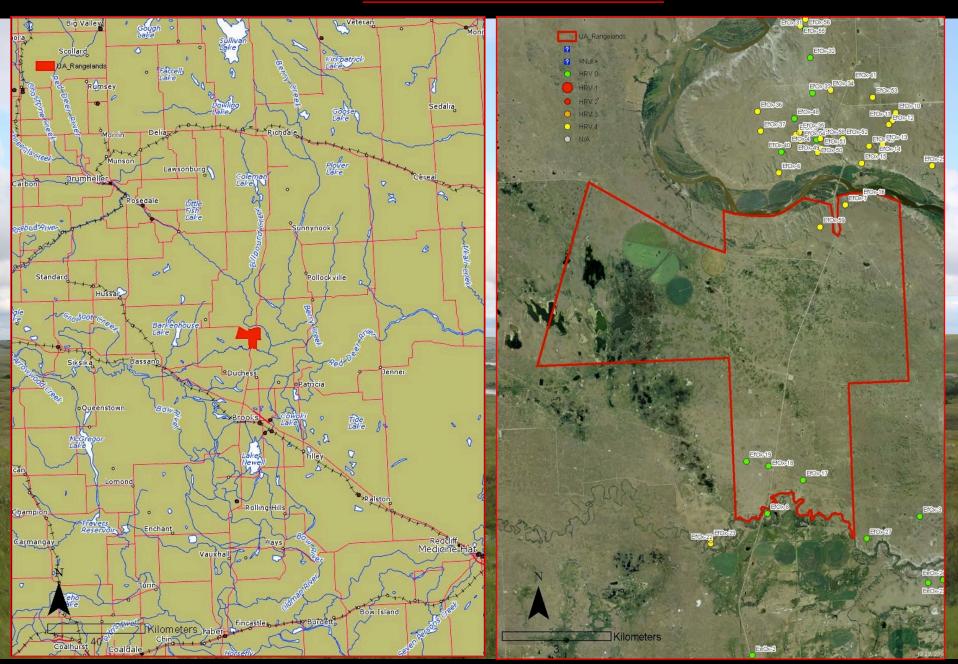
- Total cost = Instructional fee+ tuition, some personal field gear.
- Set up as off-campus course, so tuition plus some but not all additional fees.
- ➤ Instructional fee of \$1300:
  - Covers transportation, food, lab and field supplies, TAs, etc.
- ➤ Total cost of ~\$2,900 per student.



Strathcona Archaeological Society research, Brazeau Reservoir



## The Mattheis Ranch

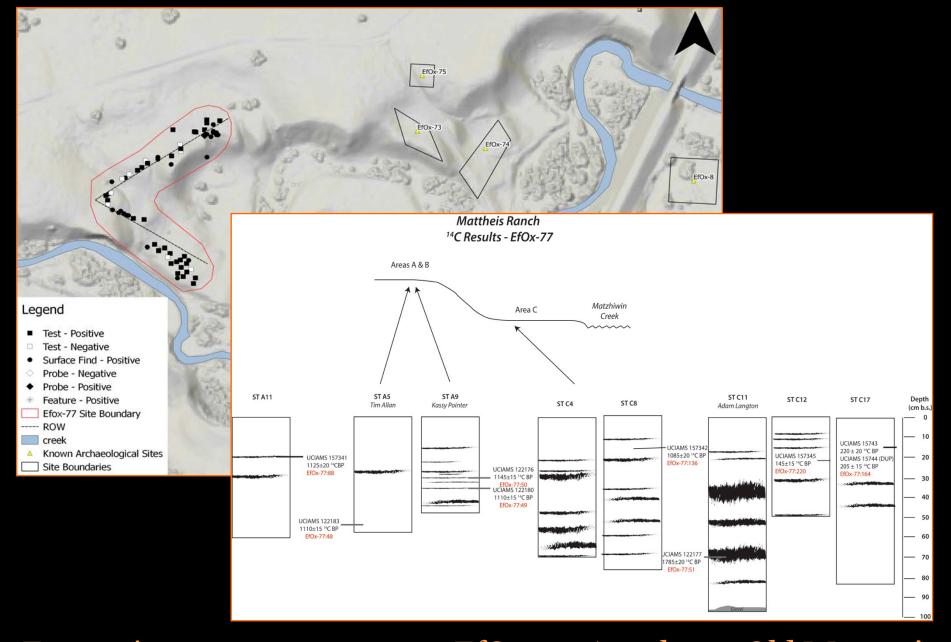






Survey and Mapping course component, Brazeau Reservoir and on native prairie, Mattheis Ranch Dr. Kisha Supernant





Excavation course component EfOx-77: Avonlea to Old Women's Phase transition camp & processing area across from bison kill





# Field School News



- Contact Dr. Ives (<u>jives@ualberta.ca</u>, 8915 HUB, 780.248.2082) for further information.
- Updates from @UofA\_IPA
- https://sites.google.com/a/ualberta.ca/ipa/home/field-schools
- We will have planning sessions in HUB 8915, *Institute of Prairie Archaeology*, in 2017.
- Use the Department of Anthropology on line application form: https://docs.google.com/a/ualberta.ca/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe1j3aBs q0yXdqT\_1cSkmS62LDF28sH163IPk\_K71LN6vy2tQ/viewform
- Bear Tracks registration ~mid-February.



