Summer Sessions- ANTH 482
Archaeological Field Methods
6 Credits, June 13- July 8

Description: This 6-credit course offered through UH Hilo Summer Sessions is a hands-on extended field experience in archaeological methodology. We will be continuing a project that began in 2001 involving the study of 19th century and early 20th century ranching sites on Mauna Kea. We are investigating sites along Mana Road, particularly in the areas of Lauamai’a near Hakalau National Wildlife Refuge.

The course is four weeks long (June 13-July 8) and will be run in conjunction with Dr. Carolyn White (University of Nevada, Reno) Ben Barna, a Ph.D. student from Reno, and a group of other students from UNR. After some initial orientation time during the first week in Hilo and Waimea, the class will head to the field where we will stay in facilities along Mana Road (4-wheel drive accessible only). These facilities include potable water, a toilet and a shower, but we will not be returning to Hilo or other towns in the middle of the week. We return to Hilo on Fridays, and head back to the field on Monday mornings.

Fees: Fees for the class are approximately $3,000. This includes a 6-credit Summer Sessions tuition fee (~$1896.00 for residents and non-residents alike), and an additional $1000 fee for gas, food, and housing for the four weeks in the field.

Pre-requisites
Anth 110 (Introduction to Archaeology) or an equivalent is a pre-requisite, and you are also required to be covered by medical insurance. You need to receive permission from the instructor- Dr. Peter Mills- in order to enroll. Enrollment is limited to 13 students. Please see professor Mills for an application. He can be reached at Rm 267 EKH, UH Hilo; email millsp@hawaii.edu; phone (808) 974-7465. The application deadline is May 1. Priority will be given to the earlier applications.
ANTH 482 Application Procedure

To guarantee that the selection process is consistent for all interested students, we will follow the following application procedure:

1) Fill out the attached application form. It is important that your address and phone numbers are correct so that you may be contacted during the late spring and early summer.

2) The completed application form must be submitted to Professor Peter Mills by Friday, April 15, 2009. The application material can either be hand delivered or mailed to the following address:

   Department of Anthropology
   200 W. Kawili St.
   Hilo, HI 96720-4091

3) Students interested in taking the course in the Hilo area are strongly recommended to schedule and interview with Professor Mills and to review the background information on the project with him. This is to insure that you have a full understanding of the rustic nature of the field work and some of the difficult conditions (especially with invasive gorse plants and cold rainy weather), and that you are fully aware of what you are getting yourself into. While it is very possible to enjoy this experience, you should be expecting a course that teaches you the basics of archaeological filed survey and necessarily includes many demanding experiences. Potential students who cannot reach the UH Hilo campus for an interview should include a letter of recommendation with their application. This letter should be from someone who is familiar with the applicant’s ability to perform work in remote environments. Those students should also attempt to contact professor Mills by phone (808) 974-7465.

4) All applicants will be informed of their status by May 3 by phone or email. Those selected should enroll in the course through summer sessions. Additional information will be sent to the students taking the course at that time (e.g where to meet, transportation, specifics on what to bring, etc.).

5) Selection Criteria: If more students apply than can be accommodated in the field school, then the following selection criteria will apply in decreasing order of preference: a) students who are emotionally and physically prepared to conduct fieldwork under rugged and very hot field conditions; b) UH Hilo students; c) anthropology or Hawaiian Studies majors; d) date which the application is turned in; e) class standing (Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores, First-Year students); f) academic standing.
Application Form
Anthro 482: Archaeological Methods

Name:

Current Address:

Phone #
email (if applicable)
University Affiliation (If applicable)
Year in School: Major:

Grade Point Average:

Courses Taken in Anthropology or Hawaiian Studies (Introduction to archaeology is a pre-requisite):

Previous Archaeological Experience (If Any):

Other outdoor camping experience/skills:

Describe any medical problems that may require attention during the Field School:

Your Health Insurance is provided by (it is required that you have health insurance):

Special dietary requirements:

Return this form to Peter Mills, Dept. Of Anthropology, 200 W. Kawili St. UH Hilo 96720