

# Forensic Anthropology Field School Central Washington University



**June 21 – July 9, 2021**



The CWU Forensic Anthropology Field School provides practical experience in recovery and handling of human remains by excavating a mock crime scene and laboratory methods of forensic anthropology through analysis of skeletal cold cases. Students must enroll in both Anthropology 414 *Forensic Anthropology: Cold Case Analysis* and Anthropology 415 *Forensic Anthropology: Theoretical and Applied Issues*. The 10 credit field school starts June 21 and ends July 9, 2021. Class meets from 9:00 AM – 4:15 PM each day at the Ellensburg Campus. Space is limited, but is open to anyone eligible to register for college credits (whether college students or not).

## **Pre-requisites:**

Anthropology 315 *Forensic Skeletal Analysis* and Anthropology 310 *Biological Anthropology Research* (or other comparable human osteology and forensic anthropology course) **AND** permission of instructor. An advanced human osteology course substitution may be permitted; please contact instructor. Acceptance or denial will be sent by email. Once accepted you will be given directions on how to register for the courses.



## **Registration:**

You must first submit a forensic field school application to Dr. Nicole Jastremski by May 21, 2021 (or as space allows). Once you are accepted, you will need to register for CWU Summer Session for both Anth 414 and Anth 415. Dr. Jastremski will have electronically given you permission to register for the class, however it is your responsibility to go into the registration system and actually register. Current CWU students that will not graduate before the field school need only to register the same way they would for any academic year course. This is done online.

All non-CWU students and CWU students who have graduated (not walked) will need to submit a “Summer Session Non-matriculated Student Application” form before registering. The form may be obtained online at

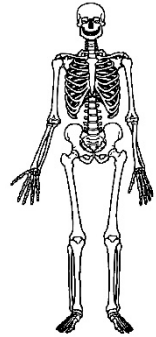
<https://www.cwu.edu/summer/how-register>

It is not necessary to be formally admitted to the university for the field school, this one-page form is fine. Fill out a form and email it to the registrar at [reg@cwu.edu](mailto:reg@cwu.edu) . Once the form is received by CWU, the Registrar’s Office will mail you information that will allow you to register online. When you have received a student number, immediately contact Dr. Jastremski so that she can put the permission in the system.

Tuition is the only cost for this field school.

### Housing

For out-of-town students, campus housing and dining facilities are available through the CWU Conference Program. You can contact Dr. Jastremski for suggestions, but you must make your own housing reservations. Please contact the Conference Program for more information at [www.cwu.edu/conference/](http://www.cwu.edu/conference/) or toll-free at 1-800-752-4379. Or you may find more information at CWU Housing at <https://www.cwu.edu/housing/> or by contacting them at 509-963-1831 or via email at [housing@cwu.edu](mailto:housing@cwu.edu) .



Another possibility is camping. There are several local commercial campgrounds. The best bets are Ellensburg KOA about three miles west of campus (509-925-9319; [www.koa.com](http://www.koa.com) ), or the Yakima River RV Park about six miles south of campus (509-925-4734; [www.YakimaRV.com](http://www.YakimaRV.com) ).

Finally, you could rent from a motel or sublet an apartment for the summer. Since we are a college town, there are often sublets available in the summer.

### Getting Here

Ellensburg is in the middle of Washington State, along Interstate Highway 90 just a few miles west of its intersection with Interstate Highway 82, so it is very accessible by car. If you are flying to Ellensburg, you can fly into Seattle (Sea-Tac Airport; approximately a 2 hour drive west of Ellensburg) or Yakima (approximately a 45 minute drive south of Ellensburg). It might be simplest to fly to Sea-Tac and take the Bellair Airporter shuttle from the airport directly to the CWU Starbucks in Ellensburg. The shuttle website is <http://www.airporter.com/schedules/schedules-rates>



### What to Wear

*Shoes:* Rugged, durable shoes or hiking boots. Flip-flops are not acceptable.

*Clothes:* Be sure to bring adequate clothes for hot and sunny weather, plus extra clothes for wet and/or cold days. The crime scene does not close due to weather. I recommend lightweight long pants to protect from sun, a T-shirt, a lightweight

long-sleeved shirt to protect from sun. Summer field clothes could be cotton, cotton/polyester, or special sun-blocking work shirts, work pants, khakis, etc. A hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, water bottle, and bug repellent are recommended.

We will be out in the public eye so it is important that students act and dress in a responsible and professional manner. No alcohol or controlled substances are permitted. Attire should be modest, meaning students will not be topless or wear revealing clothing.

**Masks are required and social distancing will be practiced. This is non-negotiable.**

#### **Further Information**

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