UNO-Field School in Archaeology: Innsbruck and Villach, Austria  
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Attention:  
Anthropology Majors & History Buffs!  
Join us for a “once in a lifetime” learning and travel experience this summer in the Austrian Alps. Earn 6 UNO credits (undergraduate or graduate) while gaining invaluable experience in the field and making amazing connections with colleagues and professionals in your area of study. A cooperation between UNO, the National World War II Museum, the Department of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, and the University of Innsbruck, this program combines academics, field experience, history, and European travel adventures. Financial assistance is available.

Courses offered:  
ANTH 3201: Field Methods in Archaeology (3 credits)  
ANTH 4991/5991: Advanced Field Research in Anthropology (3-6 credits)

This two course sequence will introduce students to the methods of field archaeology through hands-on experience, excavating at the crash site of an American World War II aircraft located in the southern Austrian state of Carinthia. The course is designed to give students hands-on experience in all aspects of archaeological field work, including site identification, survey, and unit excavation. Students will learn proper hand excavation techniques, characterization of soils, basic artifact identifications, and mapping techniques, and they will manage recovered materials as forensic evidence for the identification of human remains. Students will develop these skills as part of a diverse and efficient archaeological team, working in a unique and exciting international environment.

This program was developed in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA).* It represents a cooperative effort, involving the University of New Orleans, the National World War II Museum, and the University of Innsbruck in Austria, to further DPAA’s mission to locate, recover, identify, and return Americans still missing from previous wars and conflicts. The course will include lectures and orientations on the history of the site and region, on field work protocols and chain of custody, and on the material culture of the World War II era. Students will begin and end the program in Innsbruck, but the bulk of the course will be spent at the dig site itself. While this course is focused on remains from World War II, the skills and techniques that will be learned by students are applicable to the practice of archaeology across the globe.

Students will spend the first week of the program in Innsbruck, Austria, in conjunction with the UNO-Innsbruck International Summer School, for orientation sessions, introductory lectures, and field trips, including tours of the Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial Site near Munich, Germany and of Hitler’s “Eagle’s Nest” in Berchtesgaden, Germany. Then students will travel to Villach in the southern Austrian province of Carinthia for the field work in nearby Hohenthurn. Classes and field work will be held Monday through Friday at noon, leaving long weekends for travelling. Italy, Slovenia, and the Austrian lake district are within easy travel distance from Villach and students can also explore other parts of Europe (over for map). The program concludes again in Innsbruck for final lectures and wrap-up.

*DPAA’s cooperation with this effort is not intended to indicate that DoD endorses the University of New Orleans, The WWII Museum, the University of Innsbruck, their educational offerings, or programs.

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Division of International Education Ambassador Awards
Undergraduate and graduate students are eligible. Awards range in amount from $250-3,000. The Ambassador Awards for the UNO-Field School in Archaeology (Austria) are funded in part by the Division of International Education and in part by donations from program sponsors, supporters, and alumni. Ambassadors are considered representatives of UNO and the U.S. abroad. Overall, the Ambassador program provides UNO students with meaningful leadership experience abroad and deeper insights into the local culture and people.

Department of History and Philosophy Awards
The Department of History and Philosophy may provide supplementary monetary awards to history and philosophy majors.

The UNO Student Government Association (SGA) Study Abroad Awards
Awards range from $250 to $2,000. Undergraduate and graduate students are eligible.

UNO Ambassadors Scholarships
Each semester the UNO Ambassadors, an organization on campus, hosts Swampball to raise money for scholarships. These can be used for study abroad programs. Eligibility is based on the completion of 30 credit hours with at least a 2.5 GPA overall, and applicants must be a full-time undergraduate enrolled in both of the following fall and spring semesters.

Federal Financial Aid
Don’t forget that your own federal financial aid package may be applied and that you may be eligible for additional funding and loans. Talk to your financial aid counselor about your study abroad plans, and they can point you in the right direction.

Additional Funding Sources and Information
Students may apply for more than one award. Students must apply to the UNO-Field School in Anthropology prior to applying for an award. For a complete list of other funding resources and more information about the above awards, see inst.uno.edu/scholarships.cfm.

Crowdfunding may be another option to raise additional funds.

“Go Fund Me gave me the ability to reach a wide audience and tell my story. My friends and family contributed anything from $10 to $200, and also spread the word. In just under two weeks I was able to purchase my airplane ticket and finish paying off the program. Many told me that rather than a donation, they saw this as an investment in my future. I’m forever thankful to them.”
Juan Pablo Madrid, The University of New Orleans

Austria’s central location in Europe allows for easy travel on free weekends. Venice, Italy, for example, and the lakes of Southern Austria and nearby Slovenia are quick and fun travel destinations from Villach.

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