



ARCHAEOLOGY TECHNICIAN TRAINING



Surveying ABDSP are (L to R) CDAS members Paula and sRick Huls, and Associate State Archaeologist Hayley Elsken.

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Learn how to assist State Park archaeologists during surveys, excavations, screenings and site restorations

Classes for volunteers run six weekends beginning Oct. 29 & 30 and feature virtual Friday evening lectures & Saturday field days in one of the local state parks

Become an Archaeology Technician and help protect, document and preserve the rich cultural heritage of the **Anza-Borrego Desert, Cuyamaca Rancho and Palomar Mountain state parks.**

This six-weekend course will familiarize participants with the parks and the fascinating history they hold. Potential volunteers will also learn about cultural heritage law, prehistory of San Diego County, archaeological theory, the history of Native Americans in this region and relevant historic archaeology topics.

Upon completion of the course, volunteers will become members of the Colorado Desert Archaeological Society and join an already vibrant community of volunteers who are passionate about archaeology and protecting cultural resources.

To attend, you must submit a completed application **no later than Friday Oct. 1**. Class size is limited, so please apply today! Click below:

<https://www.anzaborregoarchaeo.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Arch-Tech-Application-2021.docx>

CLASS DATES

Oct. 29 & 30, Nov. 5 & 6, Nov. 12 & 13, Nov. 19 & 20, Dec. 3 & 4 and Dec 10 & 11

The class will be a three-hour virtual lecture on Friday evenings from 5 to 8 p.m.

Saturdays will be field days to one of the state parks. Start times will differ depending on what type of field day, what the weather is, etc. Most likely times will be 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on site doing work. These times do not include driving to and from the site.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, OCT. 1, 2021**

Questions?

Please call 206-276-8844

Essential skills required for Archaeology Technicians

- 1) Ability to hike for a minimum of one mile over uneven terrain carrying equipment, a personal backpack and adequate water. Volunteers will be advised in advance of volunteer work conditions, distances, environment and time commitment involved for each project so that each volunteer can determine if their individual capacities and work levels are compatible.
- 2) Driving in a 4-wheel/high clearance vehicle on existing park roads as required
- 3) Using digital photographic skills, using a photo scale and completing a photo log for cultural resources documentation as needed
- 4) Taking clear, concise and organized field notes using appropriate media
- 5) Understanding how to read a map and use a compass
- 6) Have basic personal-level GPS skills and recording those data collected in an organized manner
- 7) Use computer technology for essential email communication with Park staff/volunteer coordinator
- 8) Have basic word processing skills for filling DPR 523 forms and Site Steward Reports as needed and instructed
- 9) Follow procedures and instructions as directed by the District Archaeologist
- 10) Commit to and sign the Code of Ethics/Confidentiality Agreement especially regarding site locations data and documents
- 11) After training, use the Better Impact program to sign up for activities, special events and to keep track of volunteer hours