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Harvard Oxford Summer Internship in Medieval Archaeology

One or two research internships will be awarded to Harvard undergraduates to accomplish an important scholarly mission in Europe this summer. Under the general supervision of Dr. Helena Hamerow, Professor of Medieval Archaeology, Oxford University, between ca. June 1 and July 30, the intern(s) will work on a medieval archaeology research project for approximately one month; a second month will be spent working on the archaeological excavation of an important late Roman and early Anglo-Saxon site. Based in Oxford's Institute for Archaeology, the summer interns will meet and work with archaeologists, have opportunities to visit sites and excavations on their own initiative, and perform an invaluable scholarly service to the broader archaeological and historical community. By the very nature of their work, they will be exposed to some of the leading scholars in England, and gain unique insights both into a new and rising field, and into the academic and other aspects of life in a major intellectual and cultural center abroad. The successful interns will need some background in medieval studies and/or archaeology, and some basic understanding of scanning, databases, and general computer skills, as well as the ability to conduct independent work within a foreign institutional and academic environment. Previous Medieval Archaeology winners consider their Harvard-Oxford internship one of the highpoints of their College experience.

The Harvard-Oxford Summer Medieval Archeology Internship bears no independent funding but you may qualify for support from one of the myriad funding sources on campus. For instance, The Harvard-Oxford Summer [Medieval Archeology Internship](#) qualifies for support from the [David Rockefeller International Experience Grants \(DRIEG\)](#). Applicants for the internship should therefore apply to the Rockefeller Program specifying that they are candidates for the [Harvard-Oxford Medieval Archeology Internship](#). You may not have graduated at the time that you will hold the award.

For information on student eligibility, funding expectations and the application process, please visit the Funding Sources Database (funding.fas.harvard.edu).

There are *two separate applications and deadlines*:

1. Application to the Harvard-Oxford Medieval Archaeology Internship:

Noon, Friday, February 1, 2013. See below.

2. Applications for most funding sources on campus are due around February 10. For summer grant information and the application form, go to:

http://www.ocs.fas.harvard.edu/students/summer_international_experience_internships.htm

Students will find their own lodgings. At the conclusion of the summer, interns will submit a three-page report to Professor McCormick on their experience.

To apply for the Harvard-Oxford Summer Medieval Archeology Internship, submit by **Noon, Friday, February 1, 2013:**

- o a personal statement of why you should be chosen for the award (1 page maximum) and why this is an important opportunity for you; please specify the foreign languages you can speak and/or read
- o a list of relevant medieval studies and archaeology courses you have taken
- o a transcript
- o a letter of recommendation from a Faculty member or Instructor who knows you and your work well

All materials for Application 1 should be submitted to Professor McCormick

c/o Ms. Liana DeMarco (demarco@fas.harvard.edu) by the deadline of **Noon, Friday, February 1, 2013.**

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[Olga González-Silén awarded the 2012 Tibesar Prize](#)

Olga González-Silén, PhD candidate in history, was awarded the 2012 Tibesar Prize, given by the Conference of Latin American History. This award recognizes the best article of the year published in the journal *The Americas*. Olga's article, "Unexpected Opposition: Independence and the 1809 Leve de Vagos in the Province of Caracas," was published in the January 2012 issue. The committee that picked Olga's articles is "charged with selecting that article which best combines distinguished scholarship, original research and/or thought, and grace of writing style." Congratulations to Olga on winning this award!

More information can be found at [The Conference on Latin American History](#).

Olga Gonzalez-Silen, "Unexpected Opposition: Independence and the 1809 Leva de Vagos in the Province of Caracas," *The Americas* 68:3 (January 2012), 347-375.

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