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**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM.**  
**ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL IN THE BASENTELLO VALLEY,**  
**ITALY, JULY 13 – AUGUST 17, 2012**

The Department of Modern Languages and Classics invites applications for its archaeological field school in the Basentello Valley in the historic region of Basilicata (south central Italy; the 'instep' of the boot). Students will participate in an ongoing archaeological research project which involves regional field survey of a 270 km square area in the territories of Genzano di Lucania and Banzi (Basentello Valley Archaeological Research Project or 'BVARP'). The goal of our research is to examine the settlement patterns of this territory, with



special emphasis on the transitions from the Hellenistic to the Roman period, and from the Imperial to the Late Antique period. We are also examining cultural interaction between the pre-Roman indigenous population of the region and the Romans who arrive in the area as colonists and landowners during the first century BC.

Preliminary work began on the field survey during the summer of 2011, and in 2012 students will participate in field walking, site identification and analysis, site documentation, topographical survey, archaeological mapping, photography, finds processing and analysis. This research represents a continuation of archaeological investigations carried out at the sites of San Felice and Vagnari, the former a Roman villa site and the latter a Roman *vicus* or village and its associated cemetery, by teams from Saint Mary's University, Mount Allison University, McMaster University, the University of Edinburgh, and the University of Foggia in association with the British School at Rome. During 2012, students may also have the opportunity to participate in excavations at San Felice and Vagnari.

During weekends, there will be organized tours of nearby archaeological sites including a trip to the Bay of Naples to visit the ruins of Pompeii.

Students will enroll in a total of 6.0 credit hours worth of classes, 3.0 credit hours of field work and 3.0 credit hours of laboratory work. A participation fee of \$2000.00 (Canadian) covers food and lodging in the town of Genzano di Lucania throughout the excavation, equipment, and transport to and from the site daily. This fee is exclusive of airfare to Italy and tuition and fees, for which Canadian students should budget in the neighborhood of \$2300.00. The prerequisite for this course is 3.0 credit hours of archaeology through a Classics or Anthropology Department, or 3.0 credit hours in Classics. Upon completion, please return this form by February 15, 2012 to Dr. M. McCallum the Department of Modern Languages and Classics, Saint Mary's University, 923 Robie Street, Halifax, NS, B3H 3C3, Canada, or electronically to [myles.mccallum@smu.ca](mailto:myles.mccallum@smu.ca).

**Expression of Interest**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

A # (For SMU students only): \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_



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Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Academic Background and Interests (Please Attach an Unofficial Copy of Your Academic Transcript):

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As participation in this field school is physically demanding (students will be asked to spend significant time under the hot south Italian sun with temperatures at times in the high 30's and low 40's and will have to walk 10 or more kilometers per day), we ask that you please indicate any sort of health concerns that you think may adversely affect your participation in the field school.

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Use the room provided below to explain briefly why you are interested in participating in the field school. What do you expect to get out of the archaeological field school? Why would you be a good choice for the team?

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