Application for the Matthew Tobin Cappetta Archaeological Scholarship

By submitting this application, you are affirming that all information provided is correct and that you pledge to fulfill the reporting requirements if awarded the scholarship.
Please read the application instructions at the end of this document.
Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. EST on **January 31, 2023**. Applicant must email all materials to Matthew_Cappetta_fund@saa.org. Applicant will receive verification email.

Applicant Information

Name					
Address					
City		State/Province		Postal Code	
If outside USA, please provide Country information					
Phone		Email			

What is the name of the project on which you are working or directing? Please provide link to online information about this project.					
Are you director/principal investigator on this project?			Yes		No
If you are not director/principal investigator on this project, has the director accepted you as a participant/collaborator?			Yes		No
If director has accepted you as participant/collaborator, please attach notification.					

Student Status as of today (select one) and University Affiliation:

Master's Degree-Seeking Student ☐   Doctoral Degree-Seeking Student ☐

Name of university and location, and academic department	
Degree you are pursuing and major course of study	

Ethnicity and/or Nationality

What is your nationality?	
Please indicate if you self-identify with two or more ethnicities and/or nationalities.	

Biography (worth a possible 30 points): See instructions at end of document.

Research Interests/Proposed Topic (worth a possible 60 points): See instructions at end of document.

Proposed Budget (worth a possible 10 points): See instructions at end of document.
NOTE: Scholarships do not cover conference fees/attendance, professional membership fees, or publication subscriptions. Maximum Award amount for 2023 is $2,500.

1. Tuition and fees	$
2. Airfare/travel costs	$
3. Transportation at location	$
4. Lodging	$
5. Meals	$
6. Equipment (itemize below)	$
7. Supplies, textbooks; itemize below (under $500)	$
8. Other (please describe below)	$
9. Other (please describe below)	$
TOTAL	$

Space provided below for supporting narrative, if needed:

Instructions:

1. <u>Biography</u>: Briefly describe who you are, how your personal experiences led you to archaeology, and if and how those experiences impact your research interests. How do your career objectives align with the goals of the Scholarship? *NOTE: As part of each biographical narrative, all scholarship and award recipients must attest that they have not been the subject of a discrimination or harassment suit, and that they have not been involved in any other issues related to professional conduct/misconduct.* (Single-spaced, 12 pt. font within space provided above.)
2. <u>Research Interests Statement</u>: Briefly describe the project/field school on which you plan to volunteer/work (include dates). How will that program advance your educational and professional goals? Describe your research topic and what you hope to learn. How are Native American Indian communities involved in your research, and how will your research benefit those communities? (Single-spaced, 12 pt. font within space provided above.)
3. <u>Proposed Budget</u>: Fill out the budget form and explain your financial need and how you plan to use the funds. If your budget exceeds the scholarship amount, explain how you plan to cover the balance. The budget and explanation of financial need should be realistic and well-justified. Each scholarship totals $2,500 for 2023. (Narrative not to exceed space provided above.)

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Master's- or Doctoral-seeking students enrolled in universities accredited by the countries in which they reside;
2. Students conducting advanced study of the archaeology/ethnoarchaeology of the U.S. Southwest or the South American Andes, which are the two regions that most impacted Matthew's life. The Matthew Tobin Cappetta Archaeological Scholarship Committee (hereafter referred to as "the Scholarship Committee") will consider students working in other American regions if their research involves significant collaboration with Native American Indians;
3. The Scholarship Committee welcomes applications from all students with research interest in the Americas, whether those students are from the United States or other countries;
4. The same merited individual can receive the award in subsequent years, but that student must reapply each year because this is a single-year grant;
5. The Scholarship Committee strongly encourages applications from students who are affiliated with historically underrepresented groups.

What the Scholarship Covers:

1. The cost of tuition, course fees, and books for graduate-level classroom and field-based courses in anthropology, with emphasis in archaeology or ethnoarchaeology.
2. The cost of en-route travel to attend field schools or directed study projects that lead to standard research papers, reports, journal articles, or advanced field research.

Deadline and Submission:

- Applicant must submit completed application by 11:59 p.m. EST on January 31, 2023. The Scholarship Committee will not accept late applications. Please submit application as one document and <u>rename the file using last name, first name, and "Cappetta Scholarship Application"</u>. (e.g.: JONES_KATY_Cappetta Scholarship Application.docx)

- Please email your application package to Matthew_Cappetta_fund@saa.org and specify Matthew Tobin Cappetta Scholarship in the subject line. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your application, please contact Amy Rutledge at amy_rutledge@saa.org.

Related Considerations:

1. Scholarships do not cover conference fees/attendance, professional membership fees, or publication subscriptions.
2. Award recipients will send thank you letters to the Scholarship Donors. Letters are due within **one year** of the award notification.
3. Awardee will submit brief report (no more than 2 pages) to the Scholarship Committee that describes the highlights, accomplishments, and challenges that you experienced during the funded research. The Scholarship Committee encourages photographs and alternative report formats, such as websites or exhibits. The SAA reserves the right to use these reports to promote the scholarship program. The report is due within **one year** of the end of the funded project.
4. The Scholarship Committee will critically evaluate each applicant to understand their interest in archaeology and their proposed program of study, their previous accomplishments, and the contributions that research might have to the discipline's future. Scoring is based on the completeness of the application, the coherence and clarity of the 5 information categories, and a reasonable and justified budget

Final Check List:

	Completed Application Form (including sections on student status and ethnicity)
	Completed Biography
	Completed Section on Research Interests and Proposed Study Statement
	Completed Section on Proposed Budget
	Rename the application file with your last name and first name (see instructions above). Email the whole document to: Matthew_Cappetta_fund@saa.org.
	The deadline for receipt of all application material is 11:59 p.m. EST on January 31, 2023.