Linking Southwest Heritage Through Archaeology 2020
Student Application Form

The Linking Southwest Heritage Through Archaeology (LSWHTA) program works with youth who demonstrate an interest in learning about the field of archaeology and have a cultural or historical connection to the Greater Southwest. To be considered, please complete this application entirely and submit it by scanning and emailing all pages to swheritage.arizona.edu or reaching out to arrange an alternative.

Eligibility Requirements:
- Be in 10th or 11th grade during the 2019 – 2020 academic school year
- Have an interest in learning about the rich history and heritage of the Southwest, by using the field of archaeology as a tool.

Participant Benefits:
- Visit numerous university laboratories, archaeological sites, National Park Service Locations, and museums and cultural centers throughout Arizona.
- Participate in multiple camping trips, including one at the Grand Canyon!
- Gain hands-on experience and participate in an archaeological dig at a field school in New Mexico.
- Get an Apple iPad and learn how to use it as a tool for documenting your experience, all participants get to keep the iPad once they complete all program requirements.
- Gain exposure to the University of Arizona campus and learn about numerous potential fields of study or occupations.

Provided by LSWHTA Program:
- Transportation to and from all site locations.
- Camping gear, such as tents, sleeping bags, sleeping pads, etc.
- All meals are covered by the program and accommodating to anyone with a food allergy.
- Costs of admission to any National Parks, museums, or cultural centers.

Requirements of Participation:
- Attend all calendar events provided on the 2020 program schedule.
- Actively participate in all program activities.
- Complete a pretest and posttest survey.
- Create a final reflection multimodal production (we help you create it!).

Application Checklist:
- Application Form
- 400 – 500 Word Essay
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
- Copy of unofficial transcripts or recent report cards

Priority deadline is December 12, 2019
Final deadline is January 17, 2020

Note: In the event of a large applicant pool, students who submitted a full application by the priority deadline or are in 11th grade may be given priority

If you have any questions or need assistance completing or submitting your application, please contact Tony Viola at swculture@email.arizona.edu or 520-283-4662. For more information, visit swheritage.arizona.edu
STUDENT INFORMATION

Full Name: ___________________________________________________________ Preferred Name: _________________

Home Address: _____________________________________________________________________________________ City: _____________________________

State: __________________ Zip Code: __________________ Student Cellphone: ________________________________

Student’s Email: ___________________________________________ Date of Birth: ____/_____/_________

Gender Identity: _____________________________________

What is the primary language spoken at home? [ ] English [ ] Spanish [ ] Other: _______________________

Please rank your preferred methods of communication (1 = best to 3 = least):

[ ] Phone call [ ] Text [ ] Email

Have you applied to the LSWHTA program before? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Do you have internet access at home? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Please list any racial, ethnic, or cultural identities you hold:

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Please list any current work positions, or past work experiences:

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How did you hear about the LSWHTA program?

[ ] Teacher/School Counselor [ ] Flyer [ ] Online [ ] Fellow Student [ ] Other: ______________________

EDUCATION

Name of High School: _____________________________________________________________

Grade level: ______________________ Current GPA: ______________________

List any AP, IB, or honors classes that you have taken, or currently are enrolled in:

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List any other classes or extracurricular activities you have taken or participated in that you think are relevant to this program (i.e. social studies, science club, etc.).

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Do you plan on applying to college? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Unsure

If yes, where are you considering applying?

[ ] University of Arizona
[ ] Arizona State University
[ ] Northern Arizona University
[ ] Pima Community College
[ ] Other community college not listed: ________________________________
[ ] Other university not listed: ________________________________

FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian Full Names(s): ______________________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian Home Phone: _______________________ Cell Phone: ______________________________

If your parent or guardian has a different address, please fill in the address information below:

Home Address: ___________________________________________ City: _________________________
State: ______________ Zip Code: ______________

Parent/Guardian Email (list more than one if necessary):

________________________________________________________________________________________

Mother’s highest level of education:
[ ] Middle school
[ ] Some high school
[ ] Completed high school or GED
[ ] Some college
[ ] 2-year degree (Associate’s)
[ ] 4-year degree (Bachelor’s)
[ ] Graduate school or advanced degree (MS, MA, MD, PhD, etc.)
[ ] Unknown
Father’s highest level of education:

- [ ] Middle school
- [ ] Some high school
- [ ] Completed high school or GED
- [ ] Some college
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- [ ] 4-year degree (Bachelor’s)
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- [ ] Unknown

*Parent/Guardian signature: _____________________ Date: ____________________

*Parent/Guardian acknowledgment and permission by signing is necessary to apply to LSWHTA.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

In order to have a complete application, you are required to have two letters of recommendation, Please fill in the general information in the space below then, give the separate recommendation forms (pages 6 & 7) to two teachers, counselors, job supervisors, program coordinators or someone else who is not a family member or friend and can inform us about your ability to succeed in the program.

Reference #1

Full Name: _____________________________________________

Title/Position: _____________________________________________

School or Organization: _____________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________ Email: ____________________________

Reference #2

Full Name: _____________________________________________

Title/Position: _____________________________________________

School or Organization: _____________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________ Email: ____________________________
ESSAY

For the essay component of the application, you are tasked with writing a 400-500 word paper (about one page, single spaced). Please type your paper in a separate document and attach it to this application. Be sure to address the following:

- What are your academic and career plans at this time? What do you want to do after you graduate?
- What are some attributes that make you a competitive applicant for this program?
- Areas of interest or questions you have related to the field of archaeology.
- How does your cultural or heritage background relate to the program and the places we will visit?
- In what ways can your participation benefit you? Do you believe LSWHTA can help you reach your academic and career goals?

NEXT STEPS

- Request your unofficial transcripts or scan a copy of your most recent report card.
- Give the last two pages of this packet to your recommenders to fill out on your behalf.
- Scan all pages of your application, and email to swheritage.arizona.edu
Linking Southwest Heritage Through Archaeology 2020
Recommendation Form

Student’s Name: _____________________________________________________________

High School: ______________________________________________________________

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Your Name: __________________________ Title/Position: __________________________

School/Organization: _________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________ Email: ________________________________

Length of time you have known the applicant: ________________________________

Capacity in which you know the applicant: ________________________________

In your opinion, what are the applicant’s strengths? In what area(s) do they need improvement?

Why is this student a good candidate for this program?

Signature: __________________________________________ Date: __________________

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