

Edward W. Pell Graduate Fellowship Archaeology Fellowship

Fellowships run from June 3 - August 9, 2024 Applications due January 15, 2024

Shortly after establishing Fort Carillon (later changed to Fort Ticonderoga by the British), the French army began the construction of a series of ancillary structures beginning in early 1756. This area, known as the *bas ville*, the lower town, or the French Village, housed a number of proto-industrial sites and structures that supported the military activities of the army. Following the British capture, structures were added to meet the needs of the new occupants. This included "a Brew House & Smith's Forge," which were completed by 1761. Excavations of the Smith's Forge over the summers of 1956-57 produced four boxes of archaeological materials and remain the only investigation work in this area.

To assist in future archaeological survey and excavation of the Lower Town, the Archaeology Fellow will help consolidate archival maps and references into a report and digitize 1956-57 project finds. A selection of catalog records created during this fellowship will be added to the Ticonderoga Online Collections database as part of our ongoing effort to share and make accessible Ticonderoga's collections. The Fellow will also produce social media content as part of the Collections Department's commitment to sharing the process of documentation and preservation.

The Edward W. Pell Archaeology Fellow will:

- Research and consolidate primary source documentation relating to the Lower Town.
- Digitize the records and artifacts from the 1956-57 excavations.
- Create record images of each artifact.
- Create social media posts about the project.
- Work on other collections departmental initiatives as assigned.

The Archaeology fellow must be detail-oriented, highly organized, and able to manage multiple projects simultaneously. A Bachelor's degree in Archaeology, History, Art History, Museum Studies, Material Culture, and/or demonstrated archaeological experience required. Must have practical knowledge of object handling and research. Previous experience working with Microsoft excel required. Applicant will be working primarily with archaeological artifacts, although working with additional objects within Fort Ticonderoga's collection may be scheduled occasionally. Attention to detail, neat work, and creative problem-solving skills a must. Demonstrated proficiency in digital photography experience and geographic information systems (GIS) a plus.

Applicants must submit a CV, cover letter, as well as an example of an archaeology or museum-based project (the candidate may interpret this as they see fit. Pieces may include research papers, label copy from an exhibition, a cataloging project, a video, or other digital media). Email file attachments must be labeled with the candidate's last name (example: Peters_cv.pdf, Peters_project.doc, etc.).

Applications should be submitted to Margaret Staudter, Director of Archaeology, at <u>mstaudter@fort-ticonderoga.org</u> no later than January 15, 2024.