We are pleased to announce a competitive scholarship opportunity for undergraduate students pursuing majors in Anthropology with a focus on Archaeology. Awards of $750 to $1000 will be available to undergraduates to fund off-campus archaeological field research in the Americas. Funds can be used toward fees and expenses associated with attending a field school or participating in a field research project directed by a faculty member or advanced graduate student. Completed applications, which should be collated into a single PDF in the order below, must be submitted to Prof. Daniel Suslak at dsuslak@indiana.edu by Monday March 20, 2017 by 5 pm. Grant recipients will be notified of decisions on or before April 7, 2017.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION WILL INCLUDE:
1. A completed application cover page
2. A CV/resume
3. An unofficial IU transcript
4. A project proposal. Proposals should briefly describe the research project, methods the student will learn and use in the field, and a research/travel timeline (500 word maximum).
5. A short statement of previous experience and how this work fits into the student’s academic training (300 word maximum).
6. A budget, demonstrating how you plan to spend the funds. Please also include a brief statement of financial need.
7. A letter of support from a faculty member that comments on the student’s academic work, promise, proposed research, and financial need. Faculty letters should be sent directly to Prof. Daniel Suslak, dsuslak@indiana.edu.

AWARD RULES
• Student award winners will be required to attend the Anthropology Department spring reception in order to receive the award.
• Priority is given to students with demonstrated financial need and students who have not previously received the scholarship. The award can only be used to cover travel expenses and fees (not tuition).
• The award is for archaeological field research. Collections-based research is not covered.
• The Americas is defined as the New World. It is not limited to the U.S.

ABOUT THE AWARD
Mary Suzanne Savage (1938-2010) was an anthropologist, professor, and expert in adult education. She received her BA and MS degrees from Indiana University, Bloomington, and conducted postgraduate work in archaeology at IU. She directed many archaeological digs in Indiana, and lived for a summer with a Navajo family. Her work and appreciation of cultural diversity led her to travel extensively, including trips to Mexico, Scandinavia, Russia, Japan, Thailand, and Morocco. Ms. Savage’s sister, Sally Rudolph, is establishing this gift in her memory, to help students with financial hardships participate in field research.