ANTH372/580T: Archaeological Field School

Daily Journal Assignment

The purpose of the journal is to record the information you collect over the course of field school so you can prepare a presentation which uses this data to construct an interpretation of your using the skills you've learned in the course. It should be completed AFTER level and other official site forms, at the site. When in doubt, write it down. Complete sentences not required.

- Top of each page: Name, date, and dig partner
- 1 sentence on weather conditions (hot/dry/sunny? wet?) as pertain to soil and visibility
- 1-2 sentences on unit at beginning of the day
 - o unit number
 - o starting depths in each corner (draw)
 - o sketch of surface if features or artifacts visible
- 1-2 sentences about each level excavated
 - o soil description
 - o artifacts
 - o drawing of the level if there is a feature
- 1-3 sentences on any conversations about interpretation
 - o observations (in yours or other unit) that elicited a conversation
 - o proposed interpretations
 - o course of action decided by site archaeologists

Assessment:

Every week you will hand in your journal to the instructors and receive it back Monday with feedback. We will be looking to see if you are keeping it up-to-date and leaving comments to help you achieve a balance between specific details and interpretations.