

Waldbaum Scholarship Report  
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With the help of Scholarship funds, I was able to attend the Cova Gran Field School in Catalonia, Spain. The field school involved four weeks of intensive archaeological field work in the Cova Gran rock shelter. Working there was an invaluable experience for pursuing my goals as an archaeologist. I learned several methods, both in the field and in the lab, that I would not have had the opportunity to work with otherwise. Included in my attached photos is our use of Total Station to record the precise location of in-situ artifacts and other site features. The project also employed a state of the art QR code system for labeling artifacts, both of which were very useful for me to learn. The field school involved a balance of hands-on learning as well as lectures, so that as students we were able to work confidently and hone our new skills in the field. Besides learning crucial skills in the field, I also developed networking relationships with other professional archaeologists and peers. Having completed my time at Cova Gran, I feel confident and excited to continue to pursue a career in archaeology. This field school was a once in a lifetime opportunity and I am so grateful to the AIA and the Waldbaum Scholarship for supporting me.