

The Summer School in Roman Pottery is a four-week program designed to introduce the participants to Roman pottery analysis. Potsherds constitute the most common finds on archaeological sites in the classical world. They offer important evidence for dating sites and provide a major source for studies including trade relations and economic exchange, food consumption, and aspects of identity. Pottery studies form an essential part of any archaeological training, the basics of which can be learned only through direct contact with ceramic material.

In 2023 the Summer School will again be held at the Civic Museum of Lugnano in Teverina, which houses the finds from the excavations of the Roman villa of Poggio Gramignano. Lugnano in Teverina, a hill town in the Tiber Valley just north of Rome, which is considered one of the most attractive small towns in Italy.

The students will learn the fundamentals of Roman pottery through seminars, the hands-on examination of a ceramic assemblage and field trips to ancient production centers and significant collections of material. In the first half of the summer school, overall concepts and the single ceramic classes with their characteristics, function, date, and provenience will be presented. In the second half, the participants will apply their knowledge to a pottery assemblage excavated near Lugnano. This element is designed to give the participants practical experience by working intensively with the directors with the aim of publishing the assemblage.



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May 28-June 25, 2023

Graduate and advanced under-graduate students, junior faculty, professionals and independent scholars in archaeology and any related field are encouraged to apply. Applications will consist of a cover letter explaining why the applicant wishes to attend, a CV, and two letters of recommendation. Acceptances will be made on February 20, 2023 (and thereafter if places remain available).

The session is expected to have 5-9 participants. The fee of \$2600 covers the cost of instruction, field trips, housing in a shared apartment in Lugnano, and partial board (lunch and dinner from Monday to Friday). Participants will be responsible for their own travel costs, travel/medical insurance, and incidental expenses.

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