



Bears Ears Digital Archaeology



Explore the cultural landscapes of Bears Ears National Monument while helping create immersive virtual and augmented reality (AR/VR) experiences for community use and public education. You'll work alongside archaeologists, digital media specialists, and Indigenous partners to document meaningful heritage sites using non-invasive 3D tools, ethnographic interviews, and immersive media. Examine how archaeology and digital storytelling together can support long-term stewardship and care for the extraordinary landscapes of the American Southwest.

Why you'll love this program



Real-World Research

Work directly with Indigenous partners to document and interpret Bears Ears National Monument.



Field & Lab Skills

Learn in-demand 3D scanning, interviewing, and media production methods used in heritage careers.



Unforgettable Location

Spend your days exploring the canyons and mesas of one of the U.S.'s most awe-inspiring cultural landscapes.



Make a Difference

Create engaging digital projects that support conservation and public education.

Field School Details

Summer Program in Utah

- Online module (pre-arrival) + 3 weeks onsite in Utah
- Earn academic credit through Connecticut College
- Fieldwork, seminars & lab-based research
- Cultural enrichment activities and field trips included
- Shared campsite accommodation + most meals provided



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Make an IFR Field School Your Next Adventure

Our programs take you straight into the field, where archaeological sites and dynamic ecosystems become your classroom. Don't just study abroad—participate in important research, develop real skills, and make a lasting impact. With IFR, you're not only seeing the world—you're uncovering it.

Admissions at a Glance

- One-on-one guidance available
- Competitive tuition rates
- Simple online application
- Quick decision turnaround
- Rolling enrollment deadlines
- All majors & academic backgrounds welcome



The World is Our Classroom

Immersive field training programs in the U.S. and around the globe ranging from 2-6 weeks in length.



Field Research that Matters

Unique programs in archaeology, environmental science, paleontology and more.



Career-Ready Skills

Transformative field experiences that develop life and professional skills you can learn no place else.

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