**Hester Davis Arkansas Archeological Society Archeology Training Program Scholarship**

**Hester A. Davis** (1930–2014) was an American archeologist, and as Arkansas's first State Archeologist, she was instrumental in creating national public policy and conservancy standards for cultural preservation as well as developing professional and ethical standards for archeologists. She was the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including two distinguished service awards and induction into the Arkansas Women’s Hall of Fame. This scholarship is offered in her memory.

**This scholarship applies to the Joint Annual Arkansas Archeological Society (AAS) & Arkansas Archeological Survey (ARAS) Training Program only. We do not fund other field schools.**

AAS members 18 and older, who are currently enrolled in college or graduate school and who are majoring, or planning to major, in archeology, anthropology, or a related field (e.g., cultural studies, museum studies, geography, etc.) are eligible to apply for scholarship support. Rising freshmen, or recent college graduates who will be enrolling in a graduate program in the next academic year, are also eligible. Please note that the number of scholarships awarded will be limited to the annual amount of interest from which the scholarship funds are drawn. To apply, please submit the following:

* [A](http://www.caa-archeology.org/pdf/education/wia/wia-s-afs.pdf) completed Training Program Registration Form listing your expenses (note: T-shirts are not included in this grant), along with the Project Participation Agreement, Release, and Waiver form. We pay registration, camping fee for one person, and electricity (if used). We will fund a $100 stipend for food and gas for one-week applicants and $150 stipend for two-week applicants. This scholarship will also include an AAS student membership for the current calendar year. This includes emailed or mailed print copies of our publications: the Arkansas Archeologist and Field Notes. Visit <https://www.arkarch.org/activities/the-training-program/> for a Training Program Registration form. You will need to print out your registration form – do not submit through the website. It must be printed and mailed or scanned and sent by e-mail.
* Statement of Interest (1-2 pages) describing your interest in archaeology, future education and career plans, and why the Training Program will benefit you as you work toward your goals. Applicants should indicate if they wish to attend one or two weeks of the training program. Please include discussion of any seminars you will attend and how these classes will help you attain your goals. Our Training Program is often applicable to college credit hours – check with your advisor.
* A list of college courses and other relevant training you have taken. Please indicate where and when.
* One letter of reference from a professor or instructor which may be mailed or emailed separately by your professor or instructor to the address below.

Applications are accepted until April 15th for the following June Training Program and must be post marked accordingly to be accepted. All items requested must either be on paper and mailed or scanned and sent electronically to the contact below.

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