



## CALL FOR PROPOSALS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SPECIALTY DATING GRANTS

The Register values exceptional and ethical archaeological practice. Thus, we seek to support the dating of archaeological materials that contribute to a robust understanding of the human past.

The preamble to our Standards of Research Performance states:

The professional archaeologist has a responsibility to design and conduct projects that will add to our understanding of the past and/or that will develop better theories, methods, or techniques for interpreting the archaeological record, while causing minimal attrition of the archaeological resource base. It is recognized that archaeological research takes place in a variety of local, regional, and national contexts where applicable laws and guiding standards of practice vary. It is also recognized that archaeologists design and conduct research in various contexts of employment and levels of responsibility. These Standards are designed to outline the minimum standards that must be followed in the conduct of any research project, recognizing that each standard should be evaluated by the researcher in the specific contexts under which the work is being undertaken and to the level of responsibility commensurate with their role on a project.

The Register recognizes that the global COVID-19 pandemic has created unique challenges for archaeological research and cultural resource management. Thus, we are offering five \$1,000 grants to support individuals and entities seeking professional services for dating archaeological resources.

**Who is eligible?** Any Register-certified archaeologist in good standing with the Register and up to date with their annual dues. Eligible archaeologists might include, but are not limited to, Principal Investigators in CRM, graduate students undertaking dissertation research, and archaeologists working in contexts where financial support is often limited (e.g., historical societies, small museums). Any professional archaeologist is eligible as long as they are Register-certified.

**What is supported?** Any specialty dating of archaeological data, such as radiocarbon, stable isotopes, luminescence, obsidian hydration, etc. Any dating method that is considered a disciplinary standard is eligible for funding.

**How do I apply?** Submit a proposal of **no more than two pages** that addresses: (a) The archaeological dating method for which funding is requested; (b) the research endeavor to which the dating results will contribute; (c) how the endeavor connects to the Register's Code of Conduct and Standards of Research Performance (<https://rpanet.org/code-and-standards>); (d) A proposed timeline for the project; (e) a budget and justification for what the grant will support; and (f) what metrics you will use to measure

your success. Please supplement your proposal with a one-page CV for the Register-certified archaeologists involved in the undertaking.

**When does the grant need to be spent?** All projects must be undertaken in 2021.

**What is the deadline?** 5 pm EST on Monday, April 19, 2021.

**How do I submit my proposal?** As a single attachment with the attached cover sheet via email to [executivedirector@rpanet.org](mailto:executivedirector@rpanet.org).

**How will my proposal be evaluated?** The Executive Team will review all proposals and choose which projects will be supported.

**When will I be notified?** Notification will be sent to all who submitted a proposal by April 30, 2021.

**Are there other expectations of which I should be aware?** The Register will announce the grant winners via social media. Awardees will be expected to share their project via social media as well. All activity promotions, materials, and updates must acknowledge the Register's support for the endeavor. A high-resolution Register logo will be provided to all recipients for this purpose.

**Who should I contact if I have questions?** Executive Director Deb Rotman will be happy to answer your questions. She can be reached at [executivedirector@rpanet.org](mailto:executivedirector@rpanet.org).



**COVER SHEET  
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Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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Primary Project Contact(s):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount Requested (up to \$1,000): \_\_\_\_\_

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