The Register Supports the 4th Annual Society for Historical Archaeology Students Ethics Bowl

The 4th Annual Student Ethics Bowl took place during the 50th Annual Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) Conference in Fort Worth, Texas. Two teams competed for a $750 prize donated to the competition by the Register of Professional Archaeologists. The judges panel consisted of Paul Johnson (Curator, National Museum of American History), Carolyn White (Associate Professor and Anthropology Department Chair, University of Nevada Reno), Mary Anne Davis (Associate State Archaeologist, Idaho State Historical Society), and Kim Faulk (Ex Officio at Advisory Council on Underwater Archaeology). The winning team was comprised of graduate students from Boston University, University of Idaho, and the University of Maryland. The second place team consisted of undergraduates from Wittenberg University in Springfield Ohio. Both teams impressed the judges with their answers to archaeological ethical dilemmas, each winning a round before the judges asked for a tiebreaker scenario. The grand prize money was split into a first-place prize of $500 and a second-place prize of $250. First place also won free registration to the 2018 SHA conference.

The 2017 Ethics Bowl Committee, which consisted of Renae Campbell, Lindsay Kiel, and Molly Swords from the University of Idaho, will be organizing the 5th annual SHA Student Ethics Bowl at the 2018 conference in New Orleans. The Committee would like to give a huge thank you to the four judges that participated in the Ethics Bowl and to the Register for the cash prize that was given to the teams. The Ethics Bowl Committee looks forward to the continuation of this SHA tradition and is excited to meet next year’s teams in New Orleans.

Left to right: John Hyche, Jade Luiz, Heather Sargent-Gross, Nathan Allison, Abbey Fraker, Lauren Ehlers, Katie Shanor, Dorian Hunter