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Re. UCD School of Archaeology Transition Year Programme 2010

Dear Sir or Madam,

The UCD School of Archaeology would like to invite you to participate in our Transition Year Student Work Experience Programme.

This programme will give students the opportunity to be involved in the exciting research activities taking place at the School of Archaeology. They will work for one week alongside our teaching and research staff on ongoing archaeological projects. This will entail material and artefact-based research as well as work with our archives and collections. Apart from gaining valuable experience of working on archaeological projects in an academic setting the students will also benefit from acquiring transferable skills such as using various software applications, report writing and map reading.

This year the programme will involve up to eight students and will run for one week from Monday 22 to Friday 26 March 2010. Students interested in participating should be motivated, independent and reliable and have an interest in archaeology and/or heritage issues.

As the number of spaces is limited, we would ask that if there is interest in your school that a maximum of three of the enclosed application forms would be submitted (completed by an appropriate class/resource teacher on the student's behalf) to the above address, along with a short letter from the student as outlined on the application form.

For further information please contact either Dr Thomas Kador (thomas.kador@ucd.ie) or Conor McDermott (conor.mcdermott@ucd.ie). Alternatively you may also wish to visit the 'Information for Schools' section on our website which you can access on: <http://www.ucd.ie/archaeology>.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Gabriel Cooney
(Head of School)



UCD School of Archaeology

INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

Transition Year Programme 2010

Monday 22nd to Friday 26th of March 2010

The School of Archaeology, University College Dublin, has instituted a scheme to facilitate work experience for transition year students. We will be providing one week of practical archaeological experience and directed research based in the School of Archaeology.

Applications are invited from interested students through their school Careers Guidance Office or relevant member of the teaching staff. We ask that the school representative completes the form below and forwards it accompanied by a short letter by the student (max. 1 page). The letter should outline their interest in archaeology and in undertaking work experience with UCD School of Archaeology and will be used to select successful candidates in the event that places are over-subscribed.

This programme is designed to host between four and eight transition year students for one week in University College Dublin. The students will work in small groups closely supervised by School of Archaeology staff or doctoral researchers. The groups will rotate activities in the middle of the week and on the Wednesday there will be a guided excursion to the National Museum of Ireland or an alternative suitable venue.

The selected students will be covered by UCD's Health & Safety and insurance policies while undertaking work experience. UCD School of Archaeology cannot provide transport or accommodation and students are responsible for getting to and from the university.

For further information about UCD School of Archaeology and our activities please visit:

www.ucd.ie/archaeology

TO BE COMPLETED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SCHOOL AND RECEIVED BY FRIDAY 29th JANUARY 2010

Students Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email(if available): _____ Telephone: _____

Teachers Name: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

I endorse this students application and have confirmed that they are available to take a place if one is offered.

Signed: _____ Date: _____