



Archaeological Field Technicians Midwest U.S.

About Us

Founded in 1988, Commonwealth Heritage Group, Inc. (Commonwealth) is a full-service heritage management and consulting firm serving clients for projects of all sizes. Commonwealth is a small business and proud founding member of the American Cultural Resources Association, a trade association of the heritage management industry.

Since its founding, Commonwealth has grown through mergers with other cultural resource companies (e.g., *Coastal Carolina Research, Inc.* in 2009, *Sagebrush Consultants, Inc.* in 2013, *John Milner Associates, Inc.* in 2014, and *SouthArc, Inc.* in 2020). This growth has enabled our team to work in diverse geographical regions and allows us to work with customers nationwide from our headquarters in Dexter, MI and our eleven regional offices in Gainesville, FL; Littleton, MA; Traverse City, MI; Minneapolis, MN; Tarboro, NC; Albuquerque, NM; Columbus, OH; West Chester, PA; Ogden, UT; Alexandria, VA; and Milwaukee, WI.

As an experienced industry leader, Commonwealth has consistently delivered quality services to its clients and developed an outstanding reputation with clients and regulatory agencies for understanding the intricacies of heritage management planning, permitting, and project implementation.

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Job Description

Commonwealth Heritage Group is searching for archaeological field technicians for archaeological fieldwork during the 2021 season throughout the Midwest US. Fieldwork will primarily involve Phase I projects (pedestrian and shovel testing survey), with the potential for Phase II and Phase III work as available.

Archaeological Field Technicians are part of a team that is responsible for conducting shovel testing, pedestrian survey, and site documentation, which includes feature and artifact identification and analyses; site descriptions; photographs; and mapping. Archaeological field technicians are required to perform the following tasks in the field:

- Excavate a minimum of 10 STUs (50 by 50 cm) or 20 STPs (35-cm round) per day depending on state requirements
- Walk up to 6 miles a day in rugged terrain while carrying appropriate gear
- Excavate 1-by-1-m test units or similar in stratigraphic profiles and complete associated unit paperwork
- Identify historic and prehistoric artifacts
- Conduct archaeological survey and testing
- Complete site sketch maps
- Complete field forms accurately and concisely
- Use GPS units (Trimble and/or ArcCollector-based systems) for navigation and recording field data
- Photograph resources

Qualifications: Qualified candidates should possess, at minimum, a bachelor's degree in Archaeology, Anthropology, or a related field and have completed an accredited archaeological field school. Candidates must



have experience identifying and recording prehistoric and historic resources in the Midwest. Candidates must also have a minimum of 6 months of field experience (e.g., survey, testing, data recovery). Candidates must be able to perform physically demanding tasks in adverse environmental conditions (e.g., rugged terrain, remote locations, hot and cold temperatures). Candidates should also have good organizational skills, a positive attitude, strong work ethic, and willingness to learn and execute new tasks.

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