

Papyrological Institute at Stanford University

1 July- 31 July 2008

In July of 2008, the Department of Classics at Stanford University will host a summer Papyrological Institute for advanced graduate students and junior faculty in Ancient History, Classics, History, Egyptology, Art and Archaeology, as well as other related disciplines. The Papyrological Institute will run through the month of July in the summer of 2008, and will focus on Ptolemaic papyri. In keeping with the goals of previous years, the institute aims to provide participating scholars with a thorough knowledge of and experience with not only Ptolemaic papyri but also with the field of papyrology in general, so that they may employ these skills effectively in conducting their own research. This summer's Papyrological Institute follows in the series of summer institutes that have been held at Yale (2003), UC Berkeley (2004), Cincinnati (2005), and Columbia (2006) under the sponsorship of the American Society of Papyrologists.

The institute will include a combination of lectures and advanced coursework with first-hand experience working with ancient sources. Students are expected to participate actively in all of the institute's programs and activities; a full-time commitment is required. In general, mornings will be dedicated to introductory lectures by the three instructors: Professors J. G. Manning (Director, Stanford University), Mark Depauw (Demotic Papyrology, K.U. Leuven, Belgium), and Arthur Verhoogt (Greek Papyrology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor). Afternoons will focus largely on advanced coursework, and a selection of unpublished material will be provided for participants to work with. At the end of the week, Fridays will be devoted to pro-seminars and lectures on special topics relating to the documentation of Ptolemaic Egypt.

Admission to the summer Papyrological Institute is by application only; approximately twelve scholars will be selected to participate. Any qualified academic may participate; no prior experience with papyrology is expected, but a high level of proficiency in Greek (koine in particular) is a prerequisite. Instruction in Demotic will be provided as part of the course. Participation in the institute is free of charge; applicants are expected to seek financial support from their home institution to facilitate their participation, but grants may be available to any participants who do not have other means of support. On-campus room and board will be provided for all participants by Stanford University. No credit will be given for the course, and no grades or transcripts will be issued, however those participants completing the institute will receive a certificate from the American Society of Papyrologists.

Application Procedure: The application consists of the completed application form along with current *curriculum vitae* and two letters of recommendation. All materials must be received by 15 February 2008 in order to be considered for admission; notification of decisions will be issued in March. For further information about the summer institute, please contact J.G. Manning at jmanning@stanford.edu.

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