

## **Introduction to Ceramic Petrology Course – further details**

The course ‘Introduction to Ceramic Petrology’ will comprise daily lectures and practicals introducing to optical polarizing light microscopy, the identification of main rock-forming minerals, the classification of rock types, the use and interpretation of geological maps and, subsequently, the analysis of ceramic thin sections to reconstruct provenance and technology. Furthermore, a field class to Aegina, including a visit to a traditional pottery workshop, will provide practical experience on prospection for pottery raw materials and sampling, as well as contemporary potting practices. In the second week, each participant will have the opportunity to undertake a case study project. A course manual will be provided for participants covering all aspects of the course and further reading.

The course co-coordinators and instructors will be **Evangelia Kiriatzis** (Director, Fitch Laboratory) and **Ruth Siddall** (Lecturer, Earth Science, UCL).

**Dates: 12 – 23 April 2010.**

**Course Fee:** The course fee includes tuition, accommodation, fieldtrip expenses, all teaching materials, BSA membership for the period of the course and entry pass to museums and archaeological sites. The fee is 860€ for single accommodation and 960€ for shared accommodation in double rooms. Self-catering accommodation (including breakfast) will be provided at the BSA Hostel, next to the Fitch Laboratory building.

**Bradford McConnell Bursaries:** several 500-1000€ awards (funded by the Bradford McConnell Trust) are available to help those who would otherwise be prevented from attending. Consideration will be given to hardship and academic excellence.

**Applications** should include: a brief curriculum vitae, two reference letters and a short covering letter stating the interest in ceramic petrology and reasons for wishing to do the course. If applicants would like to apply for one of the Bradford McConnell bursaries, they should add a brief statement of their financial circumstances and also ask their referees to comment on the same issue. Applications should be submitted via e-mail to [flsecretary@bsa.ac.uk](mailto:flsecretary@bsa.ac.uk). Closing date **31 January 2010**. References must also be received by then: it is **the applicant’s responsibility** to ensure that references are sent. The successful candidates will hear by 20 February 2010.

For further information, please check the relevant sections on the British School at Athens web pages or contact either of the two course coordinators, Dr Evangelia Kiriatzis ([fdirector@bsa.ac.uk](mailto:fdirector@bsa.ac.uk)) or Dr Ruth Siddall ([r.siddall@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:r.siddall@ucl.ac.uk)).