The Society for Archaeological Sciences (SAS) is a non-profit organization for students and professionals working with physical and natural science applications in archaeology, paleoanthropology, and museum conservation, and for anyone who supports such research. Join us in our mission to understand the past using the tools of the future!

NETWORK WITH ENGAGED PROFESSIONAL PEERS AT SAS-ENDORSED EVENTS

In 2023, SAS partnered with 7 events in 5 countries on 4 continents. For 2024 (so far!), SAS will co-sponsor Congreso Latinoamericano de Arqueometría y del Simposio Latinoamericano sobre Métodos Físicos y Químicos en Arqueología, Arte y Conservación del Patrimonio Cultural (CLASMAC) in Mexico City, Mexico, United Kingdom Archaeological Sciences (UKAS) in York, UK, Archaeometallurgy in Europe in Falun, Sweden, the symposium Ceramics and Archaeological Sciences at the Society for American Archaeology meeting in New Orleans, USA, and multiple symposia at The Great Scientific Exchange (SciX) in Raleigh, USA. SAS will also be a co-sponsor of long-time partner the International Symposium on Archaeometry (ISA), in Melbourne, Australia. Check the SAS Programming page for prize competitions and members-only registration discounts.

APPLY FOR FLEXIBLE FUNDING TO ADVANCE YOUR RESEARCH

Members are eligible for the Student and Early Career Researcher Research Support Award (up to US $1000 per award). This flexible program supports a wide range of travel and laboratory expenses and has been updated in 2024 to a single submission cycle per year with a deadline of February 16th, 2024. Up to three prizes will be awarded per cycle.

GET RECOGNIZED FOR EARLY CAREER EXCELLENCE

SAS offers student poster prizes at the SAA, ISA, and other conferences. The awards include up to US $200, one year of SAS membership, social media promotion of the winner, and publication of an extended abstract in the SAS Bulletin. Early career excellence is also recognized with the SAS and Journal of Archaeological Science Emerging Investigator Award. The winning article will be freely accessible for one year in JAS and the lead author receives US $500. The newest prize, the SAS Charles C. Kolb Award for Archaeological Ceramics, is awarded to the best published paper on archaeological science ceramics research.

ACCESS VALUABLE REFERENCE INFORMATION AND THE LATEST DISCOVERIES

Members receive free access to the Encyclopedia of Archaeological Sciences (a US $875 value) and eligibility for discounted journal subscriptions (Journal of Archaeological Science, Archaeometry, and Archaeological and Anthropological Sciences).

STAY UP TO DATE WITH NEWS FROM ACROSS THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENCES

The latest archaeological science news and book reviews are published in The SAS Bulletin Online as articles become available. These original pieces are summarized in quarterly PDF digests that are e-mailed to SAS members only.

CONNECT TO THE WORLD VIA THE EVER-GROWING SAS SOCIAL MEDIA OPERATION

SAS shares new research, society programming, and recent award winners on Facebook, Instagram, X, LinkedIn & YouTube. Any member can leverage the SAS Publication Spotlight to showcase their latest work for an engaged audience. New for 2024: the original spotlight will be joined by a Member Spotlight focusing on the people of SAS and not just their papers.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP AND MID-CAREER TO SENIOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

The Student Ambassador Program offers student members the opportunity to plan and carry out events with SAS support, promote the archaeological sciences, and build leadership skills. The Inter-Organization Delegate Program seeks to leverage the communication skills and well-developed networks of mid-career and senior members to promote mutually beneficial relations with other institutions through leadership roles with less time commitment than an Executive Board position.

To complete the online membership application, go to the SAS website: socarchsci.org/join-sas.html
Annual dues are US $30 for regular members and US $20 for students and retirees.

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