Senior Architectural Archaeologist
Champaign, Illinois
Illinois State Archaeological Survey
Prairie Research Institute
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

The Illinois State Archaeological Survey (ISAS) is part of the Prairie Research Institute at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. For 80 years, the University of Illinois has studied the state’s archaeological heritage. ISAS incorporates that knowledge in its programs to protect, preserve, and interpret these irreplaceable and non-renewable resources within the context of Illinois’ need to encourage and promote sustainable development. Learn more at <go.illinois.edu/PRIjobs>.

ISAS is seeking a Senior Architectural Archaeologist to oversee the documentation and evaluation of historic architectural resources (standing buildings and architectural remains encountered during archaeological investigations) for ISAS and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) in accordance with the rules and regulations of the national Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470) and its implementing regulations (36 CFR 61, Appendix A) and the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act (20 ILCS 3420). This position is based in Champaign, Illinois.

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Responsibilities:

Oversee the review of IDOT environmental survey requests for potential impacts to standing historic structures and archaeological structural remains, make recommendations for Section 106 eligibility and IDOT compliance with other federal and state preservation laws for projects concurrently conducted with archaeological surveys, and maintain project files that document structure recordation and evaluation. Supervise and assist with the preparation and review of reconnaissance-level Historic Resource Inventories (HRI), the completion of Historic Resource Survey Forms (HSRFs) for properties warranting NRHP consideration, and intensive level Historic Resources NRHP Evaluations and project photo logs. Conduct public engagement activities that highlight the historic preservation practices of IDOT, ISAS, and Prairie Research Institute (PRI).

Qualifications:

Required: MA in architectural history, preservation, or closely related field. BA in Anthropology with emphasis in Archaeology. Preference given to Midwestern specialist. Plus a minimum of 10 years of experience conducting archaeological, historic and historic architectural research, analysis and report preparation meeting State and Federal historic preservation compliance standards. The successful candidate will have a demonstrated track record in carrying out compliance tasks associated with Federal Section 106 and State ISC 3420 historic preservation activities. Demonstrable experience with the preparation of Historic Resources Inventories (HRI) and Historic Resources NRHP Evaluations (Intensive Level Surveys). Experience supervising and managing architectural survey projects and report preparation. As IDOT concurrently issues environmental survey requests to assess potential impacts to both architectural and archaeological resources within a project area, experience with both archaeological
survey and historic archaeological site investigations in the Midwest is preferred (Phase I, II, and III archaeological survey and historic/prehistoric excavation). Experience with the preparation of Historic Resource Survey Forms (HSRFs). Experience with the use of social media to disseminate results of investigations, and demonstrable history of public outreach projects and papers related to Midwestern history and archaeology. Ability to provide relevant expertise and advice to IDOT and ISAS leadership as required and work collegially in a fast paced, deadline driven environment. Working knowledge of U.S. History, architectural history, and historic period archaeology. Working knowledge of documentary research methods, familiarity with both print and electronic media sources, and ability to report findings in standard academic formats using both digital photography, and computerized word, data processing formats (e.g. WORD, EXCEL, Photoshop, etc.). Proficient in the use of ArcGIS and HARGIS. Familiarity with HABS/HAER level documentation preferred. Occasional out-of-town projects/overnights (drivers license and insurance is required).

This is a regular full-time academic professional appointment, renewable annually based upon satisfactory progress in the position and continued funding. The starting date is negotiable and salary is commensurate with experience. To ensure full consideration, applications must be received by November 9, 2019. However, applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To apply, please visit <https://jobs.illinois.edu/academic-job-board> to complete an online profile and to upload 1) a cover letter that clearly articulates how your qualifications and experience make you a viable candidate for this position and should address the qualifications listed above, 2) a résumé/CV, and 3) the names and contact information (including e-mail addresses) of three professional references. All requested information/documentation must be submitted for applications to be considered. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

For further information, please contact Janice Pankey, <jpankey@illinois.edu>, ISAS Administration, 217-244-4244. For technical inquiries, please contact Dr. Timothy Pauketat at <pauketat@illinois.edu> or Dr. Brian Adams at <badams4@illinois.edu>. The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer.