



ARCHAEOBOTANY WORKSHOP

August 16-17, 2017 (Wednesday-Thursday)

Venue: Albert Hall (Seminar Rm. 2; Plants & Sediment Lab.)



This workshop is made up of lectures and laboratory sessions on archaeobotany. The lectures will introduce the general sub-disciplines of archaeobotany as well as establish the archaeological site from where the materials that will be handled came from. The laboratory sessions will provide the students a hands-on experience in the processing of sediment by flotation for the recovery of macrobotanical remains. There will also be microscope work to assist in the sorting of the recovered plant remains.

Rationale / Objectives

1. to promote archaeobotany & its integration in research designs in the Philippine context
2. to spearhead interest in archaeobotany and
3. to provide a short introductory course on archaeobotany as a sub-discipline of archaeology that is often poorly if not totally misunderstood.

Anticipated Results

1. Better understanding of human-plant relationship
2. Process and handle a range of archaeobotanical materials
3. Provide students skills in processing, id, analysis & interpretation of a range of archaeobotanical materials
4. Situate archaeobotanical data in the interpretation of site nature and function

TIME	ACTIVITY	THEME	TIME	ACTIVITY	THEME
	DAY 1 (August 16 Wed)			DAY 2 (August 17 Thur)	
09:00-09:10	Introduction (J. Carlos)		08:30-09:00	Assembly, Recap (C. King)	
09:10-09:40	Archaeobotany: An Introduction (Dr. Victor Paz)	General Archaeobotany	09:00-09:40	Ilin Island Archaeology (Dr. Alfred Pawlik)	Archaeological Context
09:40-11:30	Macrobotanical, Microbotanical & Molecular Remains (J.Carlos, C.King, E.Robles, M.Eusebio, C.Kerfant)	Concept, Method, Application	09:40-11:30	Lab Session 2	Microscope work – Heavy & Light fraction analysis
11:30-13:00	BREAK		11:30:13:00	BREAK	
13:00-14:30	Lab Session 1	Flotation	13:00-14:30	Lab Session 3	Microscope work: Sorting, Identification, Interpretation
14:30-14:45	BREAK		14:30-14:45	BREAK	
14:45-16:00	Lab Session 1 cont.		14:45-16:00	Lab Session 3 cont.	

Lecturers

Dr. Victor Paz, Professor, Archaeological Studies Program, University of the Philippines

Dr. Alfred Pawlik, Assoc. Prof. & Scientist II, Archaeological Studies Program, University of the Philippines

Ms. Jane Carlos, PhD Candidate, Archaeological Studies Program, University of the Philippines

Ms. Catherine King, MS Archaeology, Archaeological Studies Program, University of the Philippines

Mr. Emil Robles, PhD Candidate, Archaeological Studies Program, University of the Philippines

Dr. Michelle Eusebio, Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida

Ms. Celine Kerfant, PhD Candidate, Rovira I Virgili University