Join an archaeological dig in Spain, June-July 2016!





Chapman professor Justin Walsh is looking for student volunteers to work on an archaeological project

in the south of Spain. We will be collaborating with a group of Spanish archaeologists called *Forvm MMX* at the site of Cástulo. This city was inhabited from ca. 700 BCE to 1600 CE, and it was the most important town in southern Spain for hundreds of years. We will be looking for evidence of daily life and the contacts between Cástulo and traders from the rest of the Mediterranean, especially Greece and Phoenicia.

This is not a travel course, so there is no course credit and no tuition. You will get the chance to learn about all aspects of an archaeological excavation, from digging and sifting of soil to recording finds, surveying, and analyzing finds in the local museum. You will also



get the chance to live in Spain for 6-8 weeks! Professor Walsh is currently seeking funding to support living expenses for the group (housing and food) and a vehicle for transport. We will be living 5 km from Cástulo, in the city of Linares (pop. 60,000), which has daily direct train service to Madrid. Volunteers will be expected to work from 7 AM to 2 PM, Monday through Friday. Volunteers will be responsible for their own travel to and from Linares. Weekends are free for independent travel.

Please note:

- Work on an excavation requires real physical labor. It can be extremely hot (temperatures are frequently over 100° F during the day) and it is difficult to stay out of the sun.
- A lot of dust is generated on an excavation; students with respiratory problems should not participate.
- Some knowledge of Spanish is extremely useful, and, although it is not required to apply, ability to speak Spanish may be used as a factor in deciding which applicants are accepted.

For more information, or to apply for the project, please contact Prof. Walsh at <u>istpwalsh@chapman.edu</u>.