

**Project Summary**  
**Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit**

**Project Title:** 2016 Utah State University Archaeological Field School, Gunnison NP

**Discipline:** Cultural

**Type of Project:** Education

**Funding Agency:** National Park Service

**Other Partners/Cooperators:** Utah State University

**Student Involvement:** Yes, student training and education

**Effective Dates:** 09/01/2015 - 12/31/2017

**Funding Amount:** \$23,000

**Investigators and Agency Representative:**

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**Project Abstract:** The project will provide basic training for about eight USU undergraduate students in techniques used by professional archaeologists to conduct inventory, perform basic site testing and artifact analysis, and prepare documentation and The project will focus on investigations of areas of the north rim of BLCA. The field school will spend one 10-day session at an historic site of East Portal on the south rim, documenting and testing the site. The information gathered will be used to develop wayside exhibits and an interpretive trail to present the history of the site to visitors.

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:**

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