

Michigan State University's Campus Archaeology Program: What We've Done and What We've Learned

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Since 2005, Michigan State University (MSU) has conducted archaeological research on its campus. From 2007 to present, this work has been part of an official campus archaeology program (MSU CAP). This paper outlines how we earned line-item funding in the University budget, and what we have learned about the details of running and managing this program. Only one faculty member is directly involved (Goldstein), along with a number of graduate student fellows and undergraduate interns. Sustaining the program is not a simple task, and maintaining campus interest while making research contributions makes things more complex. Lessons learned are detailed.