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# Summer Schools



**Food from Field to Fork**  
an archaeobotanical approach  
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Picture by Dirk Fennema

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### Description

Recent discussions about health, food safety and an awareness of vanishing traditions have resulted in an increasing interest in traditional foods and food heritage.

This Archaeobotany Summer School, organized by the Groningen Institute of Archaeology, is aimed at broadening and deepening your knowledge of traditional food practices. You will study examples of recent traditional food products, subfossil samples from cesspits as well as a variety of historical recipes. In order to adequately interpret the archaeological record in relation to the aforementioned themes, the programme of this summer school will be divided into a theoretical and a practical session.

Monday through Thursday morning, lectures will cover the theoretical aspects of how to best analyse archaeological plant foods when studying processing and preparation techniques. These lectures will give the participants the tools necessary for an in-depth analyses of their own archaeobotanical samples.

During the afternoons the knowledge gained in the morning lectures will be applied in a hands-on fashion. You will have the opportunity to study a variety of processed crops and traditional food products from North Africa and Southwest Asia. Modern material is provided to experiment on in order to analyse processing and preparation techniques. Additionally, a selection of subfossil plant parts from Dutch cesspits will be studied in relation to historical texts.

We end the summer school discussing about present and future research methods and techniques. How can we improve our research? And, just as relevant, what role could we play in present debates concerning health, food safety and food related traditions?

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> Fees	€ 155 for (Under)Graduate students € 280 for PhD-students and Postdocs € 430 for Researchers and Practitioners Housing: € 245
> Target audience	Undergraduate students, Graduate students, PhD's and Postdocs, Researchers and Practitioners
> Language of instruction	English
> Application deadline	1 April 2019
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