Program Description
Learn archaeological excavation and laboratory analysis techniques in the Andean foothills of southern Peru. Between 600 and 700 AD, a multi-ethnic colony was established at Cerro Mejía. The settlers were likely pioneers, who may have been offered incentives by the Wari Empire to occupy this distant frontier. Many centuries later, archaeologists are excavating their house ruins to understand the daily lives of the colonists and how these people coped with their new foreign surroundings and Wari state officials. You will be one of them.

The Cerro Mejía Research Project is supported by the National Science Foundation. The Contisuyo Field School is sponsored by the UNCG, Chicago’s Field Museum, and Museo Contisuyo in Moquegua, Peru. Students will participate in excavations at the large Wari village site of Cerro Mejía, learn a wide array of archaeological investigation techniques, visit other archaeological sites in the region, and experience the rich local culture of Moquegua, Peru.

Logistics
The program costs $3500 and includes room, board, local transportation, and excursions. Housing is provided in a rented house in the colonial town of Moquegua, founded in the 16th century by Spanish conquistadors on the site of an Inca town. Breakfast is served family style at the field house and dinner will be eaten at restaurants in Moquegua. The field house will include an archaeological laboratory and living quarters. Students will live dormitory style with 2 to 3 people per room and a shared bath.

Credit
Students will receive credit for ATY 478 and ATY 479 for a total of six hours.

Learn More about the Program
Please contact Dr. Donna Nash, djnash@uncg.edu, for more information or apply online: http://studyabroad.uncg.edu/?go=PeruATY

An interest meeting will be held on October 12 at 5PM, location TBC.

Application Deadline: December 4, 2016
Deposit Deadline: January 13, 2017 ($400)
Payment 1 Deadline: February 24, 2017 ($1550)
Deposit is nonrefundable after February 24, 2017
Final Payment Deadline: March 31, 2017 ($1550)

UNCG reserves the right to cancel or alter the program format, or to change costs in case of conditions beyond its control.