Summer 2014 Fieldwork: Victoria Sluka

This summer I worked on several excavations in Olduvai Gorge, Tanzania, under a multi-national research project aimed at understanding the transition between Olduwan and Acheulean tool technologies, and how changes in environment and hominin biology may have affected it. We were able to participate in every aspect of the research, from surveying and excavation to conservation, cataloging, and analysis. It was a truly amazing experience to live in the camp Mary Leakey built and to work alongside Masai tribesmen, and to get a hands-on understanding of how real archaeological work is done.