Rachel Dupont Summer 2015 Fieldwork

This summer I went to a field school in Sozopol, Bulgaria that specialized in classical and early Christian archaeology. I learned about the Greek presence in Bulgarian coastal towns along the Black Sea from the 7th century BC to the 1st century BC. My two pit partners and I found and excavated a slab of limestone with an Ancient Greek inscription on it dating back to the mid 6th century BC. The inscription says, "to God, for good fortune". The director believes it was a piece of the altar from the temple of Apollo that stood there during that time. My partners and I found Ancient Greek pottery, lead spindle whorls, lamps, and a late antiquity coin. Pictures: the piece of limestone with the inscription, myself pictured with the piece of limestone, and a picture of my pit at the end of the dig.

Thank you Professor Torres for sending all the information about the different field schools. The Balkan Heritage Field School was one of the best experiences of my life. I met international friends for a lifetime and I have a greater understanding for archaeology and my future career in anthropology. I am studying abroad in Athens, Greece this semester and I am very excited to check out the archaeology there. Thank you again!