

Summer Course Offering Training in Applied Social Research!

ETHNOGRAPHIC FIELD SCHOOL 2007

“West Michigan Farmers Markets: Linking Food to Community”

Spring Session: May 7 to June 20



The Course: ANT 307 offered for 3 or 6 credits

The course is scheduled at 249 LMH, 9:00 – 11:15 W/Th/F.
(Students taking 6 credits will add 6 hours additional class time per week.)

The course is coordinated by **Dr. Russell Rhoads**, Associate Professor of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, Grand Valley State University. Professor Rhoads has facilitated three previous field school projects: The Holland Farmers Market (2003), Exposure and Vision: A Latino Youth Photography (2001) and Assimilation and Advocacy: Forging Identities in Hispanic Grand Rapids (1998). The 2007 project is organized in collaboration with two community partners: **The West Grand Neighborhood Organization**, and the **Fulton Street Farmers Market**.

DESCRIPTION: The ethnographic field school will focus on 1) food, culture and community, 2) training in field work, such as developing surveys and conducting interviews with vendors, farmers and consumers, and 3) assessing the organization and impact of two farmers markets and their impact on the communities in Grand Rapids. Students should expect to spend two days each week in the field at the West Side Farmers Market and at the Fulton Street Farmers Market.



WHO SHOULD SIGN UP FOR THE FIELD SCHOOL? Students whose professional careers can benefit from: 1) practical experiences gained from working in local communities, 2) training in applied field research, and 3) interests related to food, health, agriculture, communications, and community development. The course will interest students in the following disciplines: anthropology, sociology, geography, social work, nursing, and business.

HOW DO YOU APPLY FOR THE COURSE? *To register, fill out an application and submit it to the project coordinator. When Winter registration begins, students will be issued a registration permit. Applications can be obtained from the Department of Anthropology (1138 ASH, 616.331.2325). You can email Professor Rhoads at rhoadsr@gvsu.edu.*

