**EXCAVATION EVENTS**

**Excavation** (Weather permitting)
September 11 through November 13, Thursdays
1:00–4:00 pm

**Opening Ceremony**
September 11, 1:30 pm (Rain or shine)

**Archaeology Day Open House**
October 5, 12–3:30 pm (weather permitting)

**Results Day**
November 6, 1:30–3 pm (Rain or shine)

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The class is excavating to gain a deeper understanding of Harvard's early days and mission. The legacy of the Harvard Indian College continues in the university's several initiatives with Native peoples, including the Harvard University Native American Program and the Honoring Nations program. An exhibition at the Peabody Museum curated by students, *Digging Veritas: The Archaeology and History of the Indian College and Student Life at Colonial Harvard* details some of the history of the Indian College and the excavations. The Peabody Museum and its partners regard the excavation area as an important nexus of cultures and ideas and a place for remembering Native Americans in Harvard's early history.
In 2007, ANTHRO 1130 students excavated in front of Matthews Hall. They found 17th-through 19th-century artifacts including 17th-century printing type from the first printing press in the nation.

In 2009 and 2011, ANTHRO 1130 students again excavated in front of Matthews Hall. They found more 17th- through 19th-century artifacts, as well as the foundation trench of the Harvard Indian College!

This year, the students will be returning to the same general location in front of Matthews Hall to recover more artifacts related to early Harvard students and further document the Harvard Indian College building.

Findings unearthed from Colonial Harvard Yard. Left: a spectacle lens, cuff link or sleeve button, and a bone comb. Center and right: Pieces of metal print type from the first printing press in Colonial America at Harvard’s Indian College. Right: Print type letter “o.” Front: One of many white clay pipes recovered from the excavations. Left and center photos by Mark Craig.