The American Research Center in Sofia (www.arcsofia.org) is pleased to announce its first summer Archaeological Field School at Parthicopolis (Bulgaria).

Students will arrive in Sofia on June 1 and will spend two days exploring the archaeology and history of its Roman predecessor, Serdica. On June 2, the Team will begin an archaeological journey, visiting sites and museums in Sofia and in Plovdiv. We will arrive in the city of Sandanski on June 5, the home base of the ARCS excavations at Parthicopolis. The excavation team will reside in a hotel in Sandanski during the 3-week excavation season. Archaeological work is conducted Monday-Friday with additional excursions to southwest Bulgaria, northern Greece and Republic of Macedonia on Saturdays. The Team will be accompanied back to Sofia on June 28, where they will stay one night, departing from Sofia on June 29.

Field School/Excavation Directors: Dr. Emil Nankov (ARCS), Vladimir Petkov (Archaeological Museum, Sandanski)

ELIGIBILITY
Eligible to apply are advanced undergraduate and graduate students of American universities in the fields of Archaeology, Anthropology, Classical Studies, Ancient History and related studies.

PROGRAM FEE
The fee for the ARCS Summer Archaeology Program is $1500, which covers the cost of: lodging in Sofia, ground transportation during the excursion and museum/site tickets during the excursions; the cost of housing, ground transportation and most meals during the excavation season at Parthicopolis/Sandanski. This fee does not cover lunch or dinner during the excursions, international travel to/from Sofia, travel insurance; the fee also does not cover dinner on Saturdays and lunch/dinner on Sundays during the excavation season.

PROJECT LOCATION
The Roman and Late Antique Parthicopolis is located under the modern town of Sandanski, SW Bulgaria. All fieldwork will take place on the site. The project base will be located in the town of Sandanski, situated 160 km south of Sofia (Bulgaria), 150 km north of Thessaloniki (Greece) and 230 km northwest of Skopje (Republic of Macedonia). The 3-week excavation season will focus on the area near the atrium of the Bishop’s Basilica dated to 4th-6th c. AD.

For full consideration, prospective students should submit an application to Dr. Emil Nankov (apo@arcsofia.org) by February 15, 2015.