



**Idaho State  
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**SUMMER RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY  
READING LIST Summer 2025**

Please note the following reading list. We will have these available in Guatemala City and at the site. Also, we will be sending the Mesoamerican Chronology Chart, and the Archaeological Process chart.

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